
Subject: Re: vn5.4 woes (today missing)
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wmc@bas.ac.uk writes:

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> William Daffer <whdaffer@earthlink.net> wrote:
>> "Mark Hadfield" <m.hadfield@niwa.cri.nz> writes:
>
>>> The lack of Y2K conpatibility lay in the fact that ONE of the routines (I
>>> forget the name)
>
>> str_to_dt.pro, I believe.
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>
>>> would accept 2-digit years and do something not very smart
>>> with them. The routine also accepted 4-digit years so people prescient
>>> enough to use them would never have noticed a problem.
>>>
>>> Pulling the IDLDT stuff was a lawyer-driven panic.
>
>> I agree. I pulled them out of idl 5.2 and use them daily in all of
>> my processing at work. If you use 4 digits, there's *absolutely* no
>> problem!
>
> OK, thanks for the reassurance, I'll continue to do the same...
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> -W.
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However, it does mean that any code you write using these routines won't be distributable unless you also distribute the idldt routines.

This fact has made me stop using them in some applications I'm writing on the side.

whd

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