Subject: Re: Namespaces (redux)
Posted by David Fanning on Wed, 25 Sep 2002 13:56:36 GMT

JD Smith (jdsmith@as.arizona.edu) writes:

> Other suggestions or additions?

I support JD's suggestions completely, especially Number 2:

> 2. If not using objects, imitate their namespace parsimony by
>   consistently prepending a class-like prefix to all related routines...
>   e.g. tvRubberBandBoxDisplay.pro, or tvRBandBox_display.

You can't believe how many widget programs I see where this
practice is not followed. How many QUIT procedures can we have
in this world? It's remarkable that these programs ever work
at all.

I'd make just one other suggestion: sleep on your naming
decision overnight before you make it public. Once it is
out there, it is pretty much out there forever. There is
no going back, ever, which can lead to all kinds of
embarrassment and extra work. :-)

Cheers,

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