Subject: Re: Who's up for breaking IDL?

Posted by R.Bauer on Sun, 03 Aug 2003 21:27:49 GMT

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## Tim Robishaw wrote:

- > David Fanning <david@dfanning.com> wrote in message
- > news:<MPG.19962a27116012e29896c2@news.frii.com>...
- >> Tim Robishaw writes:

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- >>> What this suggests to me
- >>> is that you cannot have a file that stores a routine and name it with
- >>> capital letters. That is
- >>> dumb. Someone please tell me that I'm right???

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- >> Uh, well, I think this has been well known since
- >> about 1956. :-)

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>> Cheers.

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>> David

- > Woah! 1956! Man, I thought I had been around a while. Never came
- > across this one (well, that's also cuz I never name my files with
- > capitals; but my advisor was about to attack his monitor when I
- > decided to seek expert counseling.) Man, I looked everywhere for
- > help: ?resolve\_routine, Google newsgroups, some Fanning guy's book.
- > Well, I won't get fooled again. But am I right? Isn't this dumb? I
- > mean, what a bug!

> -Tim.

Never use capitalize characters in file names. I am sure the reasons are described in our book and in several other books too. Because I tell this every lesson to the people.

This is an old well known problem. Some closed software Operation Systems can't distinguish between upper amd lower cases in file names.

Whatever are the the reasons are I prefer this definition as it is too.

Because I am able to imagine what happens if mixed chars are possible. PLot is then different from PLOT. I think all of us won't like this or?

## Reimar

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