
Subject: Re: IDL 7.0 (Windows version) - widget_table does not generate expected event

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Fri, 08 May 2009 01:11:59 GMT

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Subject: Re: IDL 7.0 (Windows version) - widget_table does not generate expected event

Posted by [Mark\[1\]](#) on Sun, 10 May 2009 21:27:31 GMT

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If you feel a bout of the flu coming on, don't get on the plane.

You mean like where to go? Come to Wellington and I'll buy you a beer.
The South Island is great. The West Coast of the South Island tends to
be wet in September. Email me.

Subject: Re: IDL 7.0 (Windows version) - widget_table does not generate expected event

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Sun, 10 May 2009 23:33:11 GMT

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Posted by [Mark\[1\]](#) on Tue, 12 May 2009 03:08:57 GMT

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IIRC, ITTVIS did consider making the database of tech support incidents accessible via the WWW page, but they decided not to, on the grounds that it was commercially sensitive (ie. potentially embarrassing).

But the usual disclaimer applies: I have never been wrong before, but maybe this is the first time.

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Posted by [bkaifler](#) on Wed, 13 May 2009 12:50:43 GMT

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I reported this issue to ITTVIS and a representative told me that the observed behavior is in compliance with the information given in the online help. He suggested to use an unmapped widget_draw to catch keystrokes.

Quoting form the online help:

ALL_EVENTS

Set this keyword to cause the table widget to generate events whenever the user changes the contents of a table cell.

And from table 25-15:

...

(3) ALL_EVENTS=1, EDITABLE=1 -> input changes widget contents: yes,
Type of events generated: all events

(4) ALL_EVENTS=1, EDITABLE=0 -> input changes widget contents: no,
Type of events generated: all events

But with reference to the first sentence events are generated only when the user changes the contents. This implies EDITABLE=1, though. So the statement "events generated: all events" in case (4) is misleading in my opinion.

Having events generated (ALL_EVENTS=1, EDITABLE=0) in IDL 6.4 is an undocumented feature then??

Bernd
