



Agenda

30th January 2007
Mere Golf & Country Club

<u>Start</u>	<u>End</u>		<u>Speaker</u>
09:00	10:00	<i>Coffee</i>	
10:00	10:30	Introductions & Life Update	Howard Myers
10:30	11:30	i5 Updates	Nigel Adams
11:30	11:45	<i>Coffee</i>	
11:45	12:45	Business Continuity	John Amans Ged Tod
12:45	13:45	<i>Lunch</i>	
13:45	14:45	Compliance & Security	Neil Sharples Neil Leigh
14:45	15:45	Lotus Domino Updates	Matt Newton
15:45		Thank You & Close	Howard Myers



I5 Updates

Nigel Adams - IBM

Nigel is UKISA i5 Product and Sales Programme Manager and has worked for IBM for over 25 years. For the last 8 years Nigel has been the Product Manager for the AS/400, iSeries and now i5, in this role he supports IBM sales and technical people in selling and supporting the iSeries.

A major part of Nigel's role is communicating new hardware and software announcements.

This presentation will focus on the most recent System i announcements including the enhanced POWER5+ models and Version 5 Release 4 of i5/OS which were both announced last year. It will also include more recent announcements including the enhanced range of Capacity Backup systems and disk storage enhancements.

Lotus Domino Updates

Matt Newton - IBM

IBM Lotus Notes 8 taking collaboration to a whole new level.

Lotus Notes and Domino 8 is a major new upgrade to both the client and the server. It delivers exciting updates across the entire Lotus Notes user interface. The Lotus Domino server introduces new server functions like message recall and expanded integration with other enterprise applications. The new Activities model will have you sharing and managing all your collaborative content in new, intuitive ways. And the new application development model not only supports Composite applications; it will enable you to use your existing Lotus Notes applications in expanded ways and will have you thinking differently about Web applications in the Lotus Notes client.

Matt Newton, IBM Senior Specialist, will discuss these innovations and then take a look ahead at the future, outlining the strategy for Lotus Notes, Domino and Sametime products.



Business Continuity

Business continuity is vital to business success. It can no longer remain the concern of the IT department alone. How do you determine the continuity and recovery requirements of your business? How do you identify and integrate critical business and IT priorities into a comprehensive continuity program? Where do you start? **Right here**

This session which include the following topics:

- Protecting Your Business – what are the issues
- A customer's perspective - Invoking the Disaster Recovery
- *noMax New Features

Ged Todd – Yearsley Group

Ged Todd is the IT Manager for Yearsley Group. The Yearsley Group is one of the largest privately owned frozen food companies in the UK. Today the Group is a major player throughout the UK in the sale of frozen foods to wholesalers, retailers, caterers and institutions in all sectors of the marketplace including Export and the storage and distribution of frozen foods throughout the UK and Europe.

Ged will give details of a recent disaster recovery situation he was recently faced with.

John Amans - Maximum Availability

John Amans works on Business Development for Maximum Availability in Europe and has worked in the IT industry for over 35 years. His involvement in IBM Midrange technology pre-dates the current System i, going right back to System/3.

John will introduce the subject of Business Continuity and will outline the features and benefits of the major, new release of *noMAX, which will be available this quarter from Maximum Availability.



Compliance & Security

Control and quality have always been goals of IT departments across the globe but with SOX they are now mandatory.

The Sarbanes-Oxley Act 2002 was passed in the USA in response to the collapse of Enron and other large corporate failures.

The act paved the way for major changes in the regulation of the US auditing profession, requiring an annual management report and auditor attestation on the effectiveness of internal controls and procedures for financial reporting with the intention of re-building investor confidence.

If you are a UK subsidiary of a US listed company, this affects you.

Corporate governance in the UK is moving towards a Sarbanes-Oxley type regime already, if a new white paper is any guide. The Company Law Reform White Paper has tougher penalties for accounting offences. Liability for breaches in legislation would be extended beyond directors and company secretaries.

There is also speculation that the strict data protection laws in Europe may make compliance with Sarbanes-Oxley actually in breach of the Data Protection Act of 1998. UK companies that complete item 8.1 of the registration form for Sarbanes-Oxley – agreeing to provide information at any time in the future – are abusing data protection rights.

This session will include the following topics:

- Sarbanes-Oxley – What does it mean for UK companies
Neil Sharples Baker Tilley
- A customer's perspective – Compliance Strategy
- Bsafe Enterprise Demonstration
Neil Leigh





Neil Sharples – Baker Tilley

Neil is an Assistant Director in the Business Process Improvement team at Baker Tilly. Neil has worked with many clients in relation to Sarbanes-Oxley compliance including a number of Fortune 100 companies as well as a variety of smaller US-listed companies.

Neil's recent experience includes managing the delivery of a s404 review for a Fortune 100 client covering a number of sites across the UK and in eight European countries.

