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atinum Integration with Intelligent Shipper

This month saw the release of a Platinum update that enhances the way in which users of the software can dispatch items, making it a much more streamlined and user-friendly process.

Platinum's "Sales Order Processing" and "Order Dispatch" now have the ability to submit orders to delivery management software Intelligent Shipper by Intersoft.

This integration allows you to manage all of your outgoing deliveries from Platinum. Everything from the initial selection of carrier (such as Royal Mail or ParcelForce), through to printing off address labels and receiving and providing tracking information is made easier and less time-consuming when using Platinum.

In order to take advantage of these benefits you will require an account with Intersoft. You will then need to arrange with them which carriers you would like to use so they are made available to your account.

If you have any further questions about this feature please feel free to get in contact with our team who will be happy to answer any questions you may have.



Lawns Trade Show Preview

Catalyst are pleased to announce that this year we will once again be attending The Lawns Show in Cottingham, near Hull.

The show is the biggest of its kind in Europe, and will feature more than 100 new touring caravans and around 150 caravan holiday homes and park homes, from most of the major British manufacturers.

2019 will be our 11th year exhibiting at the show, every year is another great opportunity to meet new people and catch up with existing customers who are also attending the show.

This year the show will take place between the 3rd and 5th of September. If you're attending The Lawns show on these dates come and visit our team on Stand 22, who will be giving regular demonstrations

of aspects of our system, and will happily answer any questions you may have about our software.

We can't wait to see you there!

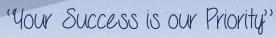
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A Word from Jeff

Summer's definitely sizzling and we apparently have a new broom ambitious to sweep away the Brexit gloom. Summer is always a tricky time. Holidays make for staff shortages and customers are likely to be away sunning themselves too. It's not a time for radical change but that does not mean there's nothing that can be achieved. It's a great time to sit under the air conditioning working out how to get even more from your computer system. Our software is incredibly deep and capable of many things. Human nature is to not explore beyond what we know but take some time to hunt around, you may just find solutions to those nagging problems... Look through the function keys you never use, record a macro or two or even investigate the report generator, it's incredibly powerful and flexible.

For those of a technical nature, an exciting development at Catalyst is that we are about to move our own Platinum data onto a Linux server. We've guietly been developing our software for Linux server compatibility for some time, it's passed all the tests so now we are about to test it live, on ourselves! Our own Platinum on a Linux server with us as the guinea pigs... All being well, this will mean that we'll be offering this route as an alternative to Microsoft servers within a few months. What will Linux mean? Well hopefully improved value and simplified installation. Watch out for more details over the next few months....





Windows 7 - End of Support

As well as our award winning Dealer Management Software, we also supply a range of high quality office consumables such as; labels, ribbons, till rolls, remanufactured ink jet cartridges, data back-up media and more.

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As of 14th January 2020, Microsoft will no longer be supporting devices running their Windows 7 operating system. While computers running this operating system will still function, it is highly recommended that they are updated to Windows 10 as a matter of urgency.

Having no support for an operating system means that updates and patches for Windows 7 will no longer be released, leaving your system extremely vulnerable to dangerous bugs and virus vulnerabilities that will not be repaired.

As a valued Catalyst customer, we want to help you avoid this at all costs. We will provide you with a free, no obligation consultation to discuss how this change may affect you, and the options you have to ensure your company's data remains safe after January 2020. This will involve either a simple software upgrade for newer PC's, or for older PC's a full hardware upgrade may be advisable.

For your free consultation please contact our sales team who will talk you through all of your options and answer any questions you may have about Windows 7 end of support.

Catalyst Training Courses

Here at Catalyst we recognise that with such a comprehensive system it can be challenging to absorb all of the system's potential. The solution? Catalyst Training Courses! With excellent staff and on-site facilities, face-to-face user training is the easiest way to digest all that you need to know with a particular module. The courses have been tailor-made to ensure that every individual leaves as an expert.

> Full day courses are £140 per person Book a Private Training room for £300 for up to 6 people!

Pop these dates in your diary!

Customer Retention Centre

Tuesday 13th August

A Guide to Workshop Control Tuesday 27th August

The Joy of Accounts

Vehicle Sales in a Day Tuesday 3rd September Tuesday 20th August



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Logistics in a Day