



PineSoft Newsletter : January 2003

Move to Version 3.1 now complete

During the last twelve months all PineSoft Users have upgraded to the latest version 3.1 of the application. A full history of all the improvements added to the Windows application, since its launch in 1995, are listed in the README file on PineSoft CD's. Fuller details of these additions may be found in the PineSoft Newsletter section of the PineSoft website at www.pinesoft.net

The feedback from users over the last twelve months, regarding the latest version 3.1 has been very positive and there are no plans for any imminent major changes. However, as always, any suggestions for improvements or additions to the software are welcome.

The PineSoft application is supplied with all necessary software including a runtime copy of Access 97 and will co-exist with universities using Office 97, 2000 or XP. It is fully compatible with Windows 95, 98, ME, NT, 2000 and XP.

The next significant change is likely to involve a move to use Access 2000 or Access 2002 as more Universities migrate to Windows 2000 or Windows XP platforms, however, the look and feel of the application is not likely to change.

Using PineSoft via a Full Version of Access 97 or Access 2000

Please follow the instructions in the file, Access_Full.txt (on the PineSoft CD) should you wish to run PineSoft via a full copy of Access 97 or 2000 (already installed on a PC). This should only be necessary if the standard PineSoft installation fails or conflicts with any other installed software. As PineSoft uses industry standard Microsoft Office components any installation problems are fortunately very rare!

Best wishes for the New Year.

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