

2018 Evergreen Conference - - Cataloging Interest Group

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Agenda: Bugs in web client; What are “blockers” preventing full implementation of web client?

What are people doing to prepare staff to implement and work with web client?

Mary has done a few recorded demos

Elaine is going to do webinars; posted to listservs; training sessions across the state

Indiana - - updating all local documentation; in editing stage; spring & fall round tables scheduled in the form of webinars will be focused on web client; “required” or lose login

General Comments about Webclient:

- It is rather intuitive.
- Some doing hybrid XUL and webclient for various functions
- Some just jumped right in

Communication: Use listservs

Who is using it?

- Missouri Evergreen
- PINES (smaller) – not yet fully implemented only with systems with just 1 or 2 branches
- Pioneer
- Ann Arbor Michigan

Issues:

Bug w/ Copy templates

Problem transferring item between volumes

Choose your library, then record, no dialog

Proposing more simplified process for item moving

Bug fix for not creating empty volume

Question: Problem using parts for serials using monographic parts

Suggestion: Controlled vocabulary for monographic part labels

With batch updating parts, must update ALL (can't skip one) in webclient

Question: Issue with merging parts

Response: A known bug; if not a sure if there is a bug - - just report it

Developers do not mind duplicate reports

Important to click “this affects me” - - add notes about how it affects your library

MAJOR BLOCKERS

- 1) Cannot choose multiple volumes for adding & when adding follows a particular order
If not chosen in preferred order, adds second volume
- 2) Copy templates

- 3) Marking for overlay; doesn't unmark for overlay; doesn't promulgate through all tabs; work around is closing out each time when overlaying

OTHER WEBBY CONCERNS/QUESTIONS

- Importing from OCLC using Z39.50; is auto-generating TCN rather than using OCLC number of systems that prefer that.
 - There is a fix for that!
- Empty volumes not showing;
 - There is a fix but it hasn't been pushed out; email just went out to cataloging listserv to see those that were addressed today
- Incessant refreshing
- No confirmation that action completed and doesn't take you back to the place to check
- A lot of column pickers do not have all of the information that were available in xul. Plans to improve column picker? Especially item status?
 - Several bugs on what's missing. Some have been restored. Most interfaces have a bug. Go to bug in Launchpad and add comments if there is something else needed.
- Not enough space for viewing; cannot make columns bigger without taking away something in the configuration.
- Would be nice to be able to collapse item attributes
- Modify safe changes has been fixed (in 3.0.4 or 3.0.5)
- View of record buckets when merging is vertical and cannot turn off holdings (horizontal is always going to be better than vertical)
- Item Status is buried under Circulation
 - This may be a preference issue; can just work with opening new tabs
- Function keys - - looking at what xul client functionality has not yet been replicated
- Is there a datestamp on things that changed to confirm?
 - To see changes, just redisplay to check.

Using Launchpad

This is the primary communication tool with developers.

Tagging is important. Tags are a controlled vocabulary.

50 bugs that are tagged with "cataloging" and "webstaffclient"

- Use "webstaffblocker" tag!

Using Interface – Developer Questions/Suggestions

- Are catalogers using large monitors? Yes! - - relevant to how information is designed to display
- Suggest using multiple monitors with webclient - - especially for merging records
- How many EG tabs open on average by users? 4-5

Good Things

- Web functionality! Available on all computers – not restricted by staff client installation
- Can edit parts in the same place edit attributes
- Record bucket direct access
- Take advantage of opening multiple tabs if menus
- Love adding a copy note when adding an item
- Searchable notes on records

Going Forward

- Continue to ask questions, share concerns, and document changes
- Communicate through listserv