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I'm quite sure we could fill this requirement, and hope you will contact me. Please see my signature.

I, at least, think you should have replied within the original thread, rather than start another. I also urge you to use more descriptive subjects; I tend to ignore threads with such vague subjects. For both reasons, I almost missed your query/response.

On Sun, 19 Mar 2006 13:17:28 -0800, Jim V
<JimV@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

Robert;
Thanks for your input.

Does your company have an app that would....

In my project, Desktop PC's will manage the main database. However, I'm looking to download the "equipment_moves" table to the hand-held CE .NET. Scanning an equipment tag in the app would then query the "equipment_moves" table to verify it's current location (ex A Hotel job - Room 504). If the piece of equipment was actually in Room 709, the manager would be able to easily record (via a form) the new location. Daily moves are then downloaded to Desktop PC's.

Any more input would be greatly appreciated.

Jim

"r_z_aret@xxxxxxxxxxxxx" wrote:

On Sat, 18 Mar 2006 08:12:12 -0800, Jim V
<JimV@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

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I have developed a custom Equipment Tracking App in Access 2003. I have hand-held PC's with Windows CE .Net V4.20. The hand-helds have bar code readers and I need to develop a custom app on the hand-helds for making equipment transactions using a database (preferably Access).

I have Visual Studio .NET 2003 with Visual Basic.

Please advise what tools I will need to develop a custom database driven app for my hand-held PC's?

I am definitely biased, but think buying is often less expensive than building (especially when my company probably has an app that will get you up quickly).

I don't use VS 2003, but know that at least some versions support .NET languages (VB and C#) for mobile devices. For more info, use google (http://groups.google.com/advanced_group_search) to look up visual studio 2003 in this newsgroup

If you would rather use C/C++, you can certainly use eVC 4, which is available for free on Microsoft's web site. For more info, go to www.microsoft.com and search for evc 4

If you are going to use one of Microsoft's development tools, you will need an SDK. If you're working with a custom device, the SDK for it is probably your best choice.

You have two basic choices for barcode support. If you are targeting a specific platform, using the SDK for that platform is probably the best choice. We generally work with the "keyboard wedge" that comes with whatever scanner our customers choose. For more info, use google to look up keyboard wedge in articles by me.

We've been using txt files on the handheld, and backend software to pass data between "big" databases. We're in the process of switching to SQLite so we can share database files more directly. For info on other choices, use google to look up database in this newsgroup. You will need to do some wading.

More generally, in this context "newbie" is a useful word rather than

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a pejorative. In particular, if you use google to look up
newbie
in this newsgroup, you will see several notes from me promoting
google, but will also see threads with useful discussions.

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please indicate which newsgroup and message).

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