

## Screen changes

We are currently working through all Cyberfreight screens in order to improve clarity, usability and work flow. Please let us know if you have any suggestions for improvement.

Cyberfreight can be hosted on the Cloud. Talk to us so that you have the complete story.

## Database licences

Many of you may not be aware that you have a database system running on your network. We have chosen Firebird as it comes to you for free and is very reliable and efficient. This means that you do not need top end, powerful/expensive servers and networks to run Cyberfreight. It also means that you are NOT hit with high database licence fees. We are aware that other software providers are forcing all of the sites to spend at least \$25,000 to upgrade database licences.

## The “Cloud”, Hosting

A lot of hot air is circulating on this topic. The Cloud/Hosting is not the answer to all problems known to man and beast. The Cloud/Hosting is not exclusive to any one software company. As with most things there are pros and cons.

### Claimed Pros:

- You do not have to buy a server. True but you pay for this in your hosting charges as there are no free lunches.
- Easier to increase capacity. True but not that difficult for your own server.
- You are protected from disasters. Yes, to some extent this is correct however it is easy to protect your own in house set up.
- Costs are lower – I have not seen this to be true yet.

### Cons:

- Who owns “your” data?
- Who has access to “your” data?
- Can you get your data if the hosting company goes broke?
- Speed may vary subject to your Internet line performance. I have seen cloud/hosted systems take 30 seconds to change screens.
- Can you get a guaranteed fixed monthly price or will you get incomprehensible bills that are far higher than you expected?

## Conferences

FIATA World conference is in Singapore from October 15<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup>.

CBFCA National conference runs from 24<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> October in Canberra. CPD points are available.

We will be at both conferences so we hope to see you there.

## New Cyberfreight modules and features

We have been busy producing new modules and features that you may not be aware of. For example we have a Mobile POD module with “sign on glass” capabilities. CyberTrack Web Portal has many new features. The Warehouse module has new bar code/RFID scan options plus the Warehouse Web Portal has been significantly enhanced. If you have a particular need then contact us as we may already have a solution.