

2015

Libraries here in the southern hemisphere are enjoying the end of the extended summer break. Hopefully you are all refreshed, with great ideas and enthusiasm for guiding your library patrons through their information overload.

Genre Extraction

At the end of the year, a final update to Athenaeum Pro 2014 introduced the automatic extraction of Genre from SCIS Subject Headings. This is a free update to all Athenaeum Pro 2014 users. If you have a support agreement, we will do the update for you (assuming we still have access to your network and server).

Anonymous or Authenticated Web Search?

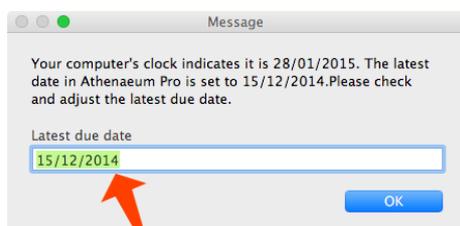
The Athenaeum Pro web search templates that are available for your FileMaker Server come in two flavours: anonymous and authenticated. Anonymous means anyone can search the catalogue and that's about it. Authentication (signing in with an account and password) means users may log in and see their current issues and reserves; search the catalogue, reserve items, manage their reserves and write reviews. There are a few ways that authentication can be achieved, however the easiest way is to authenticate is to use the Active Directory or Open Directory that is likely available on your own network, which Athenaeum can hook into.

You can watch this movie on our web site to see both anonymous and authenticated log-in in action: [click to see](#)

The web being what it is, you can have an anonymous web site for everyone, or an authenticated web site for everyone, or you may choose to have both - e.g. an anonymous web site for your internal network and require authentication for external access. We can discuss options with your tech staff.

Tip: System Latest date

Some of you will return to your computers, having had a



Change this to the end of 2015

nice break and Athenaeum decides to greet you with a message like this.

This is simply a reminder to set latest date to a date typically just before the end of the year.

If you don't change the date, then anything you issue will be due on the old "latest" date and will be immediately overdue.

Remember, computers are dumb...they do exactly what you tell them to.

Borrower & Type Latest Dates

There are three dates that can override a due date. The aforementioned "system" date, latest date for a type and the latest date for an individual borrower.

So don't forget to skim the borrower types list for latest dates set to last year.

If you want to find a list of all borrowers who have any date stored in their latest date field, start a borrower search and enter something like ">1/1/2000" (without the quotes) in the latest date field. This will bring up a list of borrowers for checking. Not sure what to do? Send a quick email to support@librarysoftware.nz

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The Athenaeum web site has been refreshed with a slightly different organisation as well as an even cleaner look. All downloads for Athenaeum Pro and Athenaeum Light are grouped together under the appropriate headings. Support and resources are similarly grouped including a dedicated page linking the most relevant Athenaeum videos from the Athenaeum YouTube channel embedded:

<http://librarysoftware.nz/supportresources/videos/>

The YouTube Channel is still linked, of course.

Version differences

If you would like to see a little more detail about what is different between each version of Athenaeum Pro, you can enter search Athenaeum Notes with the keyword "features" or simply use this link:

http://sumware.net/athenaeum/athnotes/?category_name=features

Athenaeum Pro 2015

This update will be introduced later this year and has been under development for the last 5 months. There are new features; technical changes behind the scenes; "rolling" functionality changes (tweaks); and speed ups.

South Island Training: March

Désirée is currently planning training sessions in the South Island in March. Look out for her email.