Speakers getting ready for CFUnited - Part II

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We asked a few questions to find out what our speakers are up to prior to their trip to CFUnited.

Sean Corfield

What are you looking forward to?

Sean: Meeting everyone that I pretty much only ever see at conferences - the networking at CFUNITED is unparalleled.

A recent hot topic your interested in?

Sean: The release of Open BlueDragon. A full-featured, free, open-source CFML engine opens the doors to a whole new group of CF developers.

Has your presentation changed?

Sean: Not yet, but it will by CFUNITED since my Edmund framework is still evolving (and is already in use in production).

Beer of choice if someone wants to buy you a drink.

Sean: Pretty much any dark amber ale / microbrew. None of that nasty yellow fizzy stuff that some people call beer:)

Adam Howitt

What are you looking forward to?

Adam: Mark Drew's Fresh AIR presentation sounds fascinating for the inclusion of pieces like jQuery.

A recent hot topic your interested in?

Adam: Open BlueDragon is a game changer, especially on EC2. I've already got a client dev site up on the Amazon EC2 AMI and think it is going to explode the interest in CF.

Has your presentation changed?

Adam: Not fundamentally but I expect to use or at least refer to the Open BlueDragon AMI in the course of my presentation to show people how it works.

Beer of choice if someone wants to buy you a drink.

Adam: Guinness. Naturally.

Chris Scott

What are you looking forward to?

Chris: After speaking with Sean Corfield at cfObjective about his upcoming Edmund framework, I am really excited about his session on Event-Driven Programming in ColdFusion.

A recent hot topic your interested in?

Chris: There are two new Flex frameworks out, Mate by Laura and Nahuel from ASFusion, and Swiz from myself. There seems to be a bit of buzz going around

about both of them, which is really exciting. I plan to be showing Swiz to anyone who wants to see it and doing some gorilla evangelism at cfUnited. It's exciting to be back at the beginning introducing a new baby to the community.

Has your presentation changed?

Chris: Not much, except for some additional Swiz plugs

Beer of choice if someone wants to buy you a drink.

Chris: Pilsner Urquell, the best beer in the world!

Sandy Clark

What are you looking forward to?

Sandy: I'm looking forward to my presentation on Web 2.0 accessibility. I'm also looking forward to spending time talking to people I don't see very often.

A recent hot topic your interested in?

Sandy: Anything that brings together Java and CF is on my list.

Has your presentation changed?

Sandy: Nope, still the same

Beer of choice if someone wants to buy you a drink.

Sandy: Forget Beer, I prefer a glass of red wine.

Adam Haskell

What are you looking forward to?

Adam: Interacting with passionate CFML developers.

A recent hot topic your interested in? Adam: Open BlueDragon release!!

Has your presentation changed?

Adam: Maybe I might incorporate some notes from Terry Ryan's recent Fusion Authority article on Code Reviews.

Beer of choice if someone wants to buy you a drink.

Adam: Yuengling, I can't get it in Ohio.

Doug Hughes

What are you looking forward to?

Doug I'm really looking forward to networking with developers and managers. Conferences are important source of work for Alagad. By having the opportunity to talk with hundreds of developers and managers we have the opportunity to find out how we can be of assistance to potential customers. That brings value not just to Alagad but also to our new-found clients who benefit from our professional assistance.

Beer of choice if someone wants to buy you a drink.

Doug I'm a big fan of microbrews and imports. If I haven't heard of the beer I'm pretty sure I'll like it!