



The Oracle ACE Program  
Newsletter



By ACEs, For ACEs

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## Oracle ACE Spotlight → Tim Hall, Oracle ACE Director

Tim Hall is an Oracle Certified Professional (OCP) DBA/Developer, Oracle ACE Director, OakTable Network member and was chosen as Oracle ACE of the Year 2006 by Oracle Magazine Editors Choice Awards. He has been involved in DBA, design and development work with Oracle databases since 1994.



Although focusing on database administration and PL/SQL development, he has gained a wide knowledge of the Oracle software stack and has worked as a consultant for several multi-national companies on projects ranging from real-time control systems to OLTP web applications.









Since 2000 Tim has published over 400 articles on his [website](#) covering a wide range of Oracle features.

In his spare time Tim enjoys watching movies, reading and takes part in a number of activities including Yoga, swimming, karate and going to the gym.

## Oracle ACE Program News

### → [Welcome New Oracle ACEs](#)

*Initiated August 2011*

Name	Location	Focus
<a href="#">Stewart Bryson</a> 	United States	BI
<a href="#">Doug Gault</a> 	United States	DB
<a href="#">Heli Helskyaho</a> 	Finland	DB
<a href="#">Jeff McQuigg</a> 	United States	BI
<a href="#">Michael Rosenblum</a> 	United States	DB
<a href="#">Tony Scalese</a> 	United States	BI
<a href="#">Baron Schwartz</a> 	United States	MySQL
<a href="#">Rijay Shamsudeen</a> 	United States	DB

### Oracle ACE Quick Links

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→ Almost that Time of the Year: Oracle OpenWorld 2011

In just 4 weeks, the familiar streets of San Francisco will host tens of thousands of your peers at the largest Oracle conference - Oracle OpenWorld 2011.

This year, the OTN Lounge will be located inside the Howard Street Tent. Come learn from the technical experts through the live OTN TechCast series, and even be part of the live audience—or check out the live feeds from wherever you are. Be sure to stop by the OTN Lounge often—enter drawings, meet the Oracle team as well as ACEs and ACE Directors, and pick up some great gifts including software and T-shirts during the week.

There will be over 175 Oracle ACE and ACE Directors participating at this years events-- 80+ are speakers. This will be the largest Oracle ACE attendance yet and we (as well as some of your peers) have planned various events for opportunities to network, socialize and catch up with your fellow ACEs.

Mark your calendars with the Oracle ACE community events you are encouraged to participate...

**Sunday, Oct 2:**

- Annual Oracle ACE Dinner, 7:30-10:00pm, Sens Restaurant  
NOTE: Sens is walking distance from the Moscone. You can also take the complimentary OpenWorld shuttle Route 5 to the Le Meridian Hotel, located next to the restaurant.

**Monday, Oct 3:**

- OTN Night Party, 7:30-10:00pm, Groove Grounds at Yerba Buena Gardens

**Wednesday, Oct 5:**

- Blogger Meetup (organized by ACE Director Alex Gorbachev), Jillian's Billiards Club, 4th Street, 5:00-7:00pm

**Sun - Thu, Oct 2-6:**

- OTN Lounge, Howard Street Tent  
Sunday, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
Monday - Wednesday, 8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
Thursday, 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Please also check out the 80+ Oracle ACE and ACE Directors who will be speaking at OpenWorld.

We look forward to seeing you in person at Oracle OpenWorld 2011!

Stay Connected  
(even if you can't make it to the event this year)



→ OPEN CALL for PAPERS:

It's never been easier to leverage your JavaOne, or OpenWorld talk at Silicon Valley Code Camp - Sat Oct 8 – Sun Oct 9 @ FootHill College in Los Altos. *Call for papers closing Sept 2nd ! – Submit now!*

OUGE, Nov 2011, Helsinki, Finland  
*Submission Deadline: Sep 5*

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Contact [lillian.buziak@oracle.com](mailto:lillian.buziak@oracle.com)

NoCOUG's 100th conference, Nov 2011, Mountain View, CA  
*Submission Deadline: TBD. Contact Oracle ACE [Gwen Shapira](#) for details*

[BGOUG](#), Nov 2011, Hisarya, Bulgaria  
*Submission Deadline: Oct 6*

[KScope12](#), June 24-28, San Antonio, TX  
*Submission Deadline: Oct 28*

→ [Seeking Experts in Oracle SOA Suite and Oracle Data Integrator](#)

If you or somebody you know is interested in working on site or off-site for projects in North, Central or South America, please contact Oracle ACE [Mauricio Naranjo](#) for more information.

→ [BI and EPM Seriously Practical Conference](#)

Join ODTUG in Australia for a BI and EPM Seriously Practical Conference to learn what's new in Hyperion 11.1.2 and OBIEE 11g. Click [here](#) to find out more details.

→ [Webcast: Database Consolidation onto Private Clouds, on September 8th hosted by Oracle's Willie Hardie and Mark Townsend](#)

Analysts predict that within a few years the private cloud market will be nearly a \$16 billion industry. Join our live Webcast, "[Database Consolidation onto Private Clouds](#)" on **Thursday, September 8 at 10am PT** to learn how you can save millions consolidating database onto private clouds and more. [Register now!](#)

→ [Enhance Your Knowledge of Oracle Unified Business Process Management Suite 11g Seven Ways](#)

**Dates:** 7 consecutive Thursdays from Aug. 18, 2011 – Sept. 29, 2011  
**Time:** 10 a.m. PT / 1 p.m. ET

Join this [complimentary webcast series](#) to enhance your Oracle Unified Business Process Management Suite 11g knowledge. By attending these webcasts you'll learn about BPM-related topics including planning, mastering Business Process Model and Notation (BPMN), rule usage, monitoring, development with APIs and deployment. [Register now.](#)

→ [40% Off Brand-New Oracle Press Book by an Oracle ACE](#)

Oracle ACE and 2005 Oracle Author of the Year, K Gopalakrishnan, presents this new handbook [Oracle Database 11g Real Application Clusters Handbook, 2nd Ed.](#), covering concepts, administration, tuning, and troubleshooting. [40% off for Oracle ACEs.](#)

→ [Oracle Library Discount](#)

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→ [Interested in Writing?](#)

If you have the enthusiasm for communicating technical ideas and concepts, have a valuable experience or a technical skill that you're keen to share with readers, you should give serious consideration to authoring a book or becoming a technical reviewer. Please contact [sheila.cepero@oracle.com](mailto:sheila.cepero@oracle.com) for more details.

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## Oracle ACE Watch

### → [Invitation: Unstructured Data with Multimedia SIG at OpenWorld](#)

This is the inaugural SIG meeting led by ACE Director Marcelle Kratochvil for [Unstructured Data with Multimedia in Oracle Database and MySQL databases](#). The meeting will cover the basic concepts of why the SIG is needed, what it will achieve, technology access, and links to papers and programs. All are invited.

### → [Invitation: The Year of the ADF Developer at OpenWorld 2011](#)

Oracle ACE Director Chris Muir has organized an extra day of ADF presentations at Open World on Sunday October 2 for the [ADF Enterprise Methodology Group](#). 4 ACE Directors and 3 Oracle staff will be presenting on beginner through advanced ADF topics extending the normal FMW sessions at this year's conference. Everyone welcome.

### → [Invitation: OBIEE Developer Community Event, October 7th 2011, Oracle HQ](#)

ACE Director Mark Rittman is organizing an OBIEE developer community event at Oracle HQ on the Friday after OOW, to discuss product futures and direction. Contact [Mark Rittman](#) to attend.

### → [Oracle Author Podcast: Why PL/SQL ?](#)

[Listen](#) to a conversation with author and Oracle ACE Michael Rosenblum about the role of server-side programming language.

### → [Interesting Interviews with Oracle ACEs](#)

[Kai Yu](#) - ACE Director, DB

[Marcus Vinicius](#) - Oracle ACE, DB and [Rodrigo Almeida](#) - Oracle ACE, DB (in Spanish)

### → [Training Discount for Oracle Performance Classes](#)

10% discount for Oracle ACEs for Advanced Oracle Performance Analysis classes taught by ACE Director Craig Shallahamer for the remainder of 2011. Contact [Craig](#) for discount code.

### → [New Article: Templating with JSF 2.0 Facelets](#)

In this article written by ACE Director Deepak Vohra, [Facelets Web application](#) is developed in Oracle Enterprise Pack for Eclipse 11g and demonstrates how it deploys to Oracle WebLogic Server 11g.

### → [New Article: Unit Testing for Java EE](#)

Think testing Java EE applications is difficult, inconvenient, or too complex? Learn why this isn't the case and [how to do unit testing efficiently](#) in this article written by ACE Director Adam Bien.

Adam Bien, also a Java Champion, wrote an article on [Java EE 6](#) which was debuted in the first issue of Java Magazine. [Sign up](#) to subscribe to

Java Magazine. It's free.

→ [Blog Post: Why you Should Submit a Paper for an Oracle User Group Event](#)

If you ever had hesitations on submitting a paper for a usergroup, you will find this post written by Oracle ACE Yury Velikanov interesting. He stresses the reasons on why you SHOULD submit a paper for an Oracle User Group event and will guide you on what to talk about.

→ [Blog Post: 5-part Guide to Using Flash Disks with Oracle Databases](#)

Oracle ACE Guy Harrison put together a five part guide to using Solid State Disk - flash disks specifically - with Oracle databases. It's based on research using a FusionIO SSD drive - with and without the Oracle Database Flash Cache - to optimize various types of Oracle IO.

→ [Blog Post: The init.ora file in 11gR2 for Siebel CRM and Oracle Applications Release 12](#)

Read this post written by Oracle ACE Julian Dontcheff on how to set up a good init.ora file for 11gR2 in a "normal" database, in a Siebel database and in Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.

→ [Blog Post: OSCON 2011 Recap, Java 7 and More Java...](#)

This month ACE Director Markus Eisele zones in on Java, providing a recap of Steven G. Harris' Java keynote presentation at OSCON 2011, shares his second of four part series about "What's new in Java 7?" published in German iX developer channel, blog posts about Working with Money in Java and how to work around Getters/Setters in Java.

→ [Blog Post : How Oracle UCM can make you smile?](#)

I bet you hesitated for a second before saying "Yeah I know..." And guess what? It's a great tip too. Read Dmitri Khanine's latest blog post on Oracle UCM and get to know it or you too might get laughed at. :)

→ [Blog Post : Real-Time Business Intelligence](#)

Oracle ACE Stewart Bryson recently completed his three-part blog series on Real-Time Business Intelligence. Read Real-Time: An Introduction, Federated OLTP/EDW Reporting and EDW with a Real-Time Component.

→ [Blog Post: All About Indexing](#)

Some interesting new reads on indexing written by ACE Director Richard Foote including Indexing A Column With Just One Distinct Value, BLEVEL 1 to BLEVEL 2 and Indexing MIN / MAX.

→ [Blog Post: Fatwire, ADF and More](#)

Here are some noteworthy posts brought to you by ACE Director Lucas Jellema including:

- [FatWire integrated into WebCenter as WebCenter Sites for Web Experience Management](#)

- [Implementation of a moderately complex data constraint business rule using RuleGen 3.0](#)

- [Running XQuery from Java applications using the XQJ API and the Oracle](#)

XDK implementation

- [Tour de France 2011 – Analysis using ADF DVT Graphs – Part 3 – Distance, Speed and Withdrawals with Pareto, Combination, Stock Chart \(High/Low\) and Bubble Chart](#)

→ [Blog Post : JSF4BIRT in an ADF Application](#)

Learn about integrating BIRT reports with an ADF application with the JSF4BIRT component library through these articles written by Oracle ACE John Flack.

- [JSF4BIRT in an ADF Application](#)

- [An ADF Faces Page with a BIRT Report](#)

- [ADF and BIRT- Postscript](#)

→ [Blog Post: CBC latches, CPU consumption, and wait time](#)

Why is CPU time and non-idle wait time reduced when a system is experiencing severe cache buffer chain (CBC) latch contention and many of the child latches are active? [Read ACE Director Craig Shallahamer's](#) blog to find out.

→ [Blog Post : Tune the JVM that runs Coherence](#)

In this post Oracle ACE Rene van Wijk presents steps and considerations involved when tuning the [JRockit JVM](#) that runs an application that uses Coherence.

→ [Blog Post : ORION - Oracle Calibration Tool](#)

In his post, Oracle ACE Neto shares some great results after using [Orion for Oracle Workloads](#).

→ [Blog Post: Oracle Restart - Installation and... SILENT Mode](#)

Oracle ACE Surachart Opun posted in his blog Sample to [Install Grid Infrastructure](#) for standalone server, Database and Create database by SILENT mode.

→ [Blog Post: Interesting Use Case Of Solaris Swap Space](#)

The post written by Oracle ACE Julien Gabel focuses on the implementation of the [disk swap device](#) on a system which boots on ZFS.

→ [Weekly Toad for Oracle Quiz at PL/SQL Challenge](#)

September brings a new quiz to ACE Director Steven Feuerstein's [PL/SQL Challenge](#): a weekly Toad for Oracle product quiz, sponsored by Quest Software.

→ [New Book: Expert PL/SQL Practices](#) co-authored by 15 of the leading experts in the field, amongst which 6 are ACE or ACE Directors: Riyaj Shamsadeen, Arup Nanda, Lewis Cunningham, Connor McDonald, Michael Rosenblum, Adrian Billington. (Available Now)

→ [New Book: Oracle Identity and Access Manager 11g for Administrators](#) authored by Oracle ACE Atul Kumar. (Available Now)

→ [New Book: Oracle Database 11g & MySQL 5.6 Developer Handbook](#) authored by Oracle ACE Michael McLaughlin (Available Oct 2011)

## Oracle ACE Out and About

- Speaking at [Ottawa usergroup](#) (Sep 2011)  
**Tariq Farooq** - Oracle ACE, DB  
**Carl Dudley** - ACE Director, DB  
**Kai Yu** - ACE Director, DB
- **Christian Trieb** - Oracle ACE, DB (Sep 2011)  
Speaking/Organizing [DOAG SIG](#)
- **Cary Millsap** - ACE Director, DB  
Keynote speaker at [NYOUG](#) (Sep 2011)  
Teaching 1-day [Mastering Oracle Trace Data Course](#) (Sep 2011)  
Keynote speaker at [Calgary OUG](#) (Sep 2011)  
Speaking at [NWOUG](#) (Oct 2011)
- **Kai Yu** - ACE Director, DB  
Speaking at [IOUG Virtualization Online Education Series](#) (Sep 2011)
- **Gustavo Gonzalez** - Oracle ACE, Apps  
Speaking at IT Convergence workshops:  
[Oracle R12 Upgrade Strategy and Planning](#) (Sep 2011)
- **Mike Messina** - Oracle ACE, DB  
Speaking at [MOUG](#) (Sep 2011) and [SOUG](#) (Sep 2011)
- Speaking at [SIOUG](#) (Sep 2011)  
**Joze Senegacnik** - ACE Director, DB  
**Debra Lilley** - ACE Director, Apps  
**Matjaz Juric** - ACE Director, OFM  
**Zoran Jovanovic** - Oracle ACE, DB  
**Heli Helskyaho** - Oracle ACE, DB  
**Doug Burns** - ACE Director, DB
- Speaking at [JTOUG](#) (Sep 2011)  
**Dan Morgan** - ACE Director, DB  
**Raj Mattamal** - ACE Director, DB  
**Craig Shallahamer** - ACE Director, DB  
**Andrew Jorgensen** - Oracle ACE, BI
- **Karen Brownfield** - Oracle ACE, Apps  
Speaking at [QAUG eLearning - eBusiness Release 11i/12](#) (Sep 2011)
- **Rob Zoetewij** - Oracle ACE, DB  
Speaking at [QBUG](#) (Sep 2011)
- **Susan Behn** - Oracle ACE, Apps  
Speaking at [QAUG Central/South Central Events](#) (Sep 2011)
- Speaking at [Oracle OpenWorld 2011](#) and [JavaOne 2011](#) (Oct 2011)  
**Over 80 ACE and ACE Directors**. See [here](#).  
**Over 15 Java Champions**. See [here](#).
- **Floyd Teter** - ACE Director, Apps  
Speaking at virtual learning events: [QAUG Educational Series 2011 - Fusion Apps](#) (Oct 2011)

- Speaking at [TOUG](#) (Oct 2011)  
**Peter Koletzke** - ACE Director, OFM  
**Alex Gorbachev** - ACE Director, DB
- Speaking at [HrOUG](#) (Oct 2011)  
**Joze Senegacnik** - ACE Director, DB  
**Matjaz Juric** - ACE Director, OFM
- **Mauricio Naranjo** - ACE Director, OFM  
Speaking at [International Assoc. of Software Architects](#) (Oct 2011)
- **Dan Hotka** - ACE Director, DB  
Speaking at [Heartland OUG](#) (Oct 2011)
- **Bjorn Brohl** - ACE Director, DB  
Organizing [DOAG Infrastructure SIG](#) (Oct 2011)
- **Susan Behn** - Oracle ACE, Apps  
Speaking at [OAUG Connection Point Atlanta](#) (Nov 2011)
- Speaking at [DOAG](#) (Nov 2011)  
**Roel Hartman** - ACE Director, DB  
**Randolf Geist** - ACE Director, DB  
**Markus Eisele** - ACE Director, OFM  
**Lonneke Dikmans** - ACE Director, OFM  
**Patrick Schwanke** - Oracle ACE, DB  
**Tariq Farooq** - Oracle ACE, DB  
**Joze Senegacnik** - ACE Director, DB  
**Michelle Malcher** - ACE Director, Security  
**Guido Schmutz** - ACE Director, OFM  
**Christian Trieb** - Oracle ACE, DB
- Speaking at [SLOUG](#) (Nov 2011)  
**Tim Gorman** - Oracle ACE, DB  
**Karen Morton** - Oracle ACE, DB
- **Stewart Bryson** - Oracle ACE, BI  
Speaking at [ODTUG's Seriously Practical Conference](#) (Nov 2011)
- Speaking at [BGOUG](#) (Nov 2011)  
**Julian Dontcheff** - Oracle ACE, DB  
**Tim Hall** - ACE Director, DB
- **Julian Dontcheff** - Oracle ACE, DB  
Speaking at [OUGF](#) (Nov 2011)

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## Upcoming Events

- [UTOUG](#)  
September 14, 2011 | Salt Lake City, UT
- [Ottawa Usergroup](#)  
September 16, 2011 | Ottawa, Canada
- [SIOUG](#)  
September 18-21, 2011 | Portoroz, Slovenia
- [NYOUG](#)  
September 22, 2011 | New York, NY
- [Oracle OpenWorld](#) and [JavaOne](#)



October 2-6, 2011 | San Francisco, CA

- [HrOUG](#)

October 18-22, 2011 | Rovinj, Croatia

- [TOUG](#)

October 28, 2011 | Ontario, Canada

- [OUGF](#)

November 3, 2011 | Helsinki, Finland

- [ODTUG's Seiously Practical Conference](#)

November 3-4, 2011 | Sydney, Australia

- [SLOUG](#)

November 9, 2011 | St. Charles, MO

- [DOAG](#)

November 15-17, 2011 | Nuremberg, Germany

- [BGOUG](#)

November 18-20, 2011 | Hisarya, Bulgaria

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