

Licensing & Software Asset Management News

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The SAM Club News...

It doesn't seem long since our last newsletter!

We will continue to advise you of licensing news that we feel is of benefit to our clients as quickly as we can.

Snow Software - Last week, Ian completed the Certified Snow Advanced Specialists exam. If you would like to know more about Snow License Manager and how **The SAM Club** can use Snow License Manager to enhance the service we provide then please let us know.

If you hear of any of your peers scratching their heads over the complex world of licensing and would like independent advice then please recommend us.

VMware Simplifies its Product Line-up...

VMware announced changes to its VMware offerings on the 10th February, consolidating their vSphere portfolio from six options down to three. The new line-up will consist of VMware vSphere Standard, VMware vSphere Enterprise Plus and VMware vSphere with Operations Management Enterprise Plus.

With effect from 30th June 2016 the following will no longer be available: VMware vSphere Enterprise, VMware vSphere with Operations Management Standard and VMware vSphere with Operations Management Enterprise.

In addition, all VMware vCenter Server Standard customers will now receive vRealize Log Insight for vCenter Server. The new offering will provide 25 Operating System Instances (OSIs) of vRealize Log Insight limited to monitoring logs from VMware vCenter Server, VMware vSphere and VMware vRealize Log Insight content packs.

VMware updated its virtualization product line-up to align it with the most common customer use cases:

- VMware vSphere Standard enables server consolidation and business continuity
- VMware vSphere Enterprise Plus delivers resource management, enhanced application performance and availability
- VMware vSphere with Operations Management Enterprise Plus optimizes the data center via intelligent operations, consistent management, and automation and predictive analytics.

Enterprise customers can either stay on the Enterprise Edition and be supported until official End of Support or they can upgrade to the Enterprise Plus Edition at a **special promotional 50% off upgrade price until 25th June 2016**.

For further information there is an interesting article [here](#) plus a short video [here](#)

Please let us know if you would like us to review your VMware licensing options.