Dates

This class contains a lot of your common Date manipulation functions. The most commonly used will probably be Dates::Datestamp() which takes any date string and converts it to the format Y-m-d which is useful for injecting the date into databases. There is also Dates::Timestamp() which returns Y-m-d h:i:s which is suitable for database table columns of the type timestamp.

If you’re using ElasticSearch then you can use Dates:: SolrTime() to get the timestamp in a string compatible with ElasticSearch. It’s called SolrTime because it was originally used for Solr which ElasticSearch is based on.

While internally, everything is generally stored in a generic date or timestamp, there are also functions like StandardDate which returns n/j/Y which is useful for displaying dates in a format familiar with your users.