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PostgreSQL 9.6 RC 1 Released

The first release candidate of Postgres 9.6 is here, which means we're not far away from the full release. Help the community out by giving it a test today.

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When To Avoid JSONB in a PostgreSQL Schema

Postgres' JSONB support can be powerful and flexible, but it's not a one size fits all. This deeper dive looks at various implications of using it including indexing, performance, and storage.

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PostgreSQL 9.1 Reaching Its End of Life

If you're still using 9.1 in production, it's time to consider an upgrade. After November, there will be no more updates.

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Fun With SQL Constraints

Constraints aren't always specified using the CONSTRAINT keyword as highlighted in this lightweight post showing how unique indexes can do the same thing.

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Creating Pivot Tables in PostgreSQL Using Crosstab

Pivot tables are extremely common in Excel, but you can also do them directly in the database. Here's a look at a Postgres extension that makes them simple to do right in Postgres.

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pg_pathman 1.0(.1) Released: A Partitioning Tool for Postgres

The pg_pathman module provides optimized partitioning mechanism and functions to manage partitions.

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pg_cron: Run Periodic Jobs in PostgreSQL

If you need to regularly schedule jobs directly in your database this extension can make it easier.

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A Podcast Segment on libpq and the pg Ruby Gem

An interesting excerpt from this week's 'The Bike Shed' podcast drills into some of how the libpq driver works and its integration with the pg Ruby gem.

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