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Subject: Opera 9 Preview 1

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This is the pre-release build of Opera 9. I've given it a test and it runs even faster than 8.5 does, which is amazing since 8.5 was like running at warp 10 on the Internet.

Change log:

<http://snapshot.opera.com/windows/w90p1.html>

Some highlights:

Enhanced pop-up blocker to detect more unwanted pop-ups.

Added new message console for warnings and error messages.

Added opera:config for managing preferences.

'Find' feature now highlights all matches when searching for text on the page.

Added internal source viewer. Set 'Source viewer' preference to 'Opera' to use the internal source viewer. On new installs, the internal source viewer is enabled by default.

Implemented tab locking. Right click on a tab and select 'Lock tab'. Individual tabs cannot be closed while they are locked.

New bookmark icon in address bar.

Fix to prevent key presses being lost after using Alt+Tab.

Updated search.ini

The file version number is now 7. All files with lower version numbers will be overwritten on upgrade.

New shortcut 'a' for searching with answers.com.

Changed keyboard shortcuts for closer cross-browser compatibility:

Ctrl+T replaces Ctrl+N for opening a new tab.

Ctrl+N opens a new browser window.

Ctrl+D and Ctrl+Shift+D replace Ctrl+T and Ctrl+Shift+T, respectively, for adding pages to bookmarks.

Ctrl+Shift+V can be used instead of Ctrl+D for paste-and-go.

The only gripe I have is the key mapping, which I'm definitely changing back to the <8.5 version layout. I prefer ctrl+D for paste and go, and I definitely prefer ctrl+N for new tabs.

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