

# SLO Bytes HardCopy

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**June 1<sup>st</sup> 2014 General Windows SIG review** by Alan Raul

The following software and links were discussed at the meeting:

## **Chromecast Screen Saver Images**

<https://clients3.google.com/cast/chromecast/home/>

**Chromecast Screen Saver Image Slideshow** - set to change every 8 seconds to form an enjoyable slideshow

<https://clients3.google.com/cast/chromecast/home?slideshow-period=8>

## **A collection of background images from Google's Chromecast**

<http://chromecastbg.alexmeub.com/>

## **Acronis Disk Director 12**

<http://www.acronis.com/en-us/personal/disk-manager/>

<http://www.ugr.com/DiskDirector.html>

**Ancestry DNA** - Get personalized details about your ethnic origins. Discover more about your story with advanced DNA science from the experts in family history.

<http://dna.ancestry.com/>

**TrueCrypt** is free open-source disk encryption software for Windows, Mac OS X and Linux.

<http://www.truecrypt.org/>

## **Steve Gibson's Take on the TrueCrypt departure**

<https://www.grc.com/misc/truecrypt/truecrypt.htm>

**TrueCrypt.ch** is the gathering place for all up-to-date information. If TrueCrypt.org really is dead, we will try to organize a future.

<http://truecrypt.ch/>

## **Smartphones now 87% of US handset shipments**

<http://www.techspot.com/news/56852-ditching-the-feature-phone-for-good-smartphones-now-87-of-us-handset-shipments.html>

**FotoSketcher** - is a FREE program allowing you to apply effects to your digital images to turn them into works of art. It includes over 20 effects and requires no artistic abilities to use.

<http://www.fotosketcher.com/>

### **FotoSketcher Portable**

[http://portableapps.com/apps/graphics\\_pictures/fotosketcher-portable](http://portableapps.com/apps/graphics_pictures/fotosketcher-portable)

Alan

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### **June 1<sup>st</sup> Second Session Summary by Ralph Sutter**

Here are some relevant links related to my presentation, **Secure Password Management Applications**

#### **Roboform:**

**Download:** <http://www.roboform.com/download>

**Roboform Versions Compared:** <http://www.roboform.com/how-it-works/product-comparison>

#### **Roboform Free**

Fully functioning RoboForm on multiple computers and mobile devices, all in sync, for up to **10 saved logins**  
Includes form filling

#### **Roboform Everywhere**

\$9.95 first year, then \$19.95 – unlimited logins -  
Includes phone support and 24/7 email and live chat

#### **Roboform Desktop**

\$19.95 one time unlimited logins for one computer, includes phone support and 24/7 email and live chat

**RoboForm Site Tutorials:** <http://www.roboform.com/tutorials>

#### **Roboform Video** by Brian Hartzog – The Internet Musician

<http://www.theinternetmusician.com/tutorials/roboform-tutorial/> Video runs 9:50

#### **Lastpass**

**Download:** [https://lastpass.com/misc\\_download2.php](https://lastpass.com/misc_download2.php)

**Lastpass video;** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AXwdzWaf4Rl>

Professionally produced; runs 2:36

Steve Gibson – old **Lastpass** video (07/10/10; Security Now Episode 256) Thorough explanation of Lastpass double encryption <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z4-h5gWpvAc> Perhaps the most useful segment is Steve's explanation of why you don't have to worry about the integrity of Lastpass or any other provider that encrypts like that company does. Minute [1:07:33](#).

#### **Lastpass Notes**

Form Fill Basics: <https://helpdesk.lastpass.com/features/fill-form-basics/>

Is my password safe?: <https://helpdesk.lastpass.com/getting-started/introduction/why-is-lastpass-safe/>

Ralph Sutter

**July 6<sup>th</sup> Programming Schedule** by Ralph Sutter for John Waller

President Earl Kaplan will be the presenter for the **First Session** filling in for **Alan Raul**.

In lieu of the **Second Session**, SLO Bytes will hold its annual BBQ. Please join us for oak grilled hamburgers with all the fixings. The event is free for all SLO Bytes members as a benefit of your club membership. You may also bring one guest at no charge. For additional guests, we ask for a \$5 per guest donation. If you haven't already RSVPed indicating that you plan to attend, please contact [ralph@rsutter.com](mailto:ralph@rsutter.com). That will help us in planning the supplies that we will need for the event.

**Ralph Sutter**

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**President's Message** by Earl Kaplan

We have made it through another half-year. The BBQ is looming ahead, although like most of the SLO Bytes activities, fewer people seem to decide to participate each year. The basic reasons for the existence of a group like SLO Bytes has not been deprecated over the years; it has merely changed focus somewhat. Discussing the technology of today (and tomorrow) is still a valid aspect of what we do. The shift in emphasis from computing to social networking has not changed the underlying technology it has merely changed the usage of that technology.

I am seeing other organizations with older demographics slowly deteriorate and I really would like to keep that from happening to SLO Bytes. I would at least like to slow down the pace a bit. I do not know how to do that without some feedback from the membership. If we, the members, don't care enough to share our interests, our questions, and our feelings, who will make things change?

Earl Kaplan

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Take a look at the **PUSH archives**, <http://www.slobytes.org/newsletter/push/>. This is a repository of articles where you will find tips, product reviews, and personal recommendations contributed by computer clubs across the country.

They are provided courtesy of the Association of Computer User Groups, **APCUG**, the national organization with which SLO Bytes is affiliated. The actual **PUSH** articles are hyperlinked from the index located at <http://www.slobytes.org/push/index.html> (All articles on one long page) <http://www.slobytes.org/push/push-condensed.html> (Links to **PUSH** articles by month received)

You can view additional APCUG publications here: <http://www.slobytes.org/apcug/index.html>

Take a look at <http://www.kcbx.net/training.html> to see if you would like to avail yourself of the various computer related classes available at the **KCBXnet Training Facility**.

Ralph Sutter

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**SLO Bytes Bulletin Board**

Everyone can read the SLO Bytes Bulletin Board at <http://slobytes.org/smf/index.php?board=1.0> but only subscribers can post comments or respond to the posts of others. Despite the usual connotation of **subscribe**, it costs nothing to join the bulletin board. It is free to all current SLO Bytes members. However, to guard against cyber-mischief by spammers and other ne'er-do-wells, I have disabled self-registration. If you want to be added to the bulletin board, please send your

request to me at [ralph@rsutter.com](mailto:ralph@rsutter.com).

Ralph Sutter

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**Treasurer's Report for June 2014 by Bob Mires**

Income for June 2014	
Renewing members x 7	\$175.00
Refreshment Sales (24.90+26.00)	50.90
Expenses	
Hall rent	90.00
Sutter (Hall rental May & GoDaddy fee)	141.90
Bank statement (No statement received since 3/31/2014)	
Checking account balance after funds deposit on Jun 4:	3,616.19
Savings account	5.00
Interest YTD	1.16
Deposits	80.28
Withdrawals	151.28

**Renewing members:** R.L. Sheehy, Ralph Sutter, Connie Sutter, Ian Hughes, Eugene Rheingans, Nancy Watts, and Alice Rew

Bob Mires

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**Club Information and Meeting Times**

**SLO Bytes**, a PC Users Group dedicated to educate its members in the use of personal computers, digital devices and software, meets on the first Sunday of each month at the **Independent Order of Odd Fellows (IOOF) Hall** at 520 Dana Street, San Luis Obispo. All meetings are open to the public at no cost. Special interest groups meet from 12:45 PM to 2:00 PM and guest speaker presentations begin at 2:30 PM. Contact **John Waller** ([johnlwaller at sbcglobal.net](mailto:johnlwaller@sbcglobal.net)) or visit [www.slobytes.org/index.php](http://www.slobytes.org/index.php) for additional information about SLO Bytes and the scheduled presentation.

**HardCopy** is a monthly publication of **SLO Bytes PC Users' Group** located in San Luis Obispo, California. Information in this newsletter is derived from both our own membership and other PC user group newsletters. The purpose of this

publication is to inform our members of meetings and provide information related to the use of PCs and various operating systems.

Membership dues are \$25 per year. Membership entitles you to our monthly newsletter via e-mail, technical assistance, eligibility for raffle gifts when drawings are held, a voice in the affairs of the club, and comradeship.

Article Submission Deadline for articles is the 20th of each month. Articles should be e-mailed to the editor (ralph at rsutter.com).

Computer-related businesses wishing to advertise in **HardCopy** may now do so. The rate is \$15.00 per month or \$120.00 per year for a business card size announcement. Content in ad copy is subject to approval by the SLO Bytes Board of Directors.

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### ***Outside Special Interest Groups (SIGs)***

**Linux SIG** normally meets at 6:30 PM on the Thursday following our Sunday's General Meeting at the KCBXnet Training Center, 4100 Vachell Lane, San Luis Obispo.

**Photography SIG** normally meets at 7 PM on a third Monday of each month at Bob Grover's home in Arroyo Grande. Call Bob at 489-6230 for directions.

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