SLO Bytes HardCopy

August 3rd 2013 General Windows SIG review by Ralph Sutter

SLO Bytes First Session Presentation Notes: August 4, 2013

BBQ Photos; http://www.slobytes.org/photos/index.html

Use **Irfanview;** www.irfanview.com to show how to set up download location for Chrome:

Show failed installation of **LibreOffice** with Chrome due to inaccessible download location;

(LibreOffice programming error), and work around; Relocate downloaded installation file to the **desktop**

Do screen captures of the process using **Snagit** 11.2.1 (build 72) http://www.techsmith.com/snagit.html

Create slideshow in **Irfanview** commenting on need for naming files 01, 02, etc.

Tips from Stanford Brown

Printer Ink; Report from **Consumer Reports**; August 2013

Gesture control of computer https://www.leapmotion.com/; download with **Free YouTube Downloader** to local file

Download Dangers; Behavior of **C Net** in download of **Free YouTube Downloader**

(Potentially Unwanted Programs)

Goal: Get **Free YouTube Downloader**

Download.com: Browser helper download installs Potentially Unintended Programs, **PUP ware,** that changes browser, search engine, and adds programs

Many other download sites follow this dubious practice.

Discussed on Leo Laporte Twit –

Audio at: http://aolradio.podcast.aol.com/twit/twit0414.mp3

Download.com website: http://download.cnet.com/Free-YouTube-Downloader/3000-2071_4-75219434.html

My **Irfanview** slideshow of Free YouTube Downloader

Finally, **confirm intended installation** by going to **Uninstall Programs**, sort by most recent and see if any unexpected programs are listed.

Spot the scam with **Filezilla** download scam: https://filezilla-project.org/

Who does it right? Download **Irfanview**: Use **Tucows**; http://tucows.com/. It offers other programs but doesn't try to trick you into installing them.

Irfanview installer: Allows you to decide the files for which it is the default application and then asks you to confirm your choice, sending the message; "Are you sure?"

SIG Updates (Go to Bulletin Board; http://slobytes.org/smf/index.php/board,1.0.html?)

Second Session Presentation Note

The Association of Personal Computer Usergroups, APCUG; **http://apcug2.org/**

What APCUG **offers;** http://apcug.net/services/index.htm

Links: http://apcug2.org/important-events

PUSH Articles: **http://www.slobytes.org/newsletter/push/index.html** (Userid: **slobytes**, password **IOOF520dAnA**)

(If you ever forget the password, it is published in **HardCopy** every month; nl0813.doc

APCUG Virtual Conferences
May 4, 2013

http://apcug.net/virtual/index_vc7.htm

Videos of that conference: http://slobytes.org/smf/index.php/topic,390.msg677.html#msg677

APCUG Summer 2013 Virtual Technology Conference;
Announcement; http://apcug2.org/content/apcug-summer-2013-virtual-technology-conference-information
APCUG - LAST MINUTE REMINDER 8_3 VTC.eml

2013 Southwest Technology and Computer Conference; June 21-23, 2013

Bulletin Board posting about June 21-23 conference of SWCC in Pomona
http://slobytes.org/smf/index.php/topic,391.msg633.html#msg633
Schedule: 2013 Southwest Technology and Computer Conference Schedule.pdf
Video archives from conference; http://www.windowsusers.org/swconference.html
Vendor Fair; I bought **Wolverine 35mm Film to Digital Converter;**
http://www.wolverinedata.com/index.php/site/quicklinks/C72/ (Mock demo of product)

Drawing for prizes and the difficulty in downloading **The Hat**, random drawing program, due to ubiquitous PUP ware sites

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September 1ˢᵗ Programming Schedule arranged by John Waller
The next General Session meeting takes place on September 1, 2013 from 12:45-3:30 p.m.

During the First Session, **Alan Raul** will moderate his Q and A session from 12:45 to 2:00 p. m.

The Second Session begins at 2:30 pm. At that time, **Urgent Computer Guys** will tell us of the services that they offer to computer users. Learn more at urgentcomputerguys.com

Ralph Sutter for John Waller

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President's Message by Earl Kaplan
First, let me thank Ralph for sitting in for both Alan and our scheduled presenter who decided commitments are not worth much.

Secondly I wanted to comment on a thread which ran through a lot of what Ralph was talking about and that was hi repeated admonition to READ what was on the screen. I do not believe it can be stressed enough how important this one action can be to the health of your computer and its continued proper operation.

Almost every company that is trying to sell anything has someone who is suggesting additional ways to fool you into clicking on something simply because it stands between you and getting something downloaded, installed or just working. This is one of those times when taking it a little slower will speed up your experience a lot.

Keep in mind that just because you do not remember installing something does not mean you did not inadvertently install it while you were doing something totally disconnected from the mystery software. The only way around this is carefully looking at each screen in any install process and making sure that you carefully read the text near each checkbox (especially if the box is pre-checked) and make sure that you do read carefully since they know how to phrase the text so that it is hard to tell whether you want to answer yes or no in order to communicate a yes or a no.

One of the Latin phrases all of us should remember and keep in mind whenever we are installing software (especially Free software) is Caveat Emptor. That means let the buyer beware and is most assuredly meaningful when loading free software. A few seconds reading some boring text can save a lot of time figuring out how some horrible junk malware got onto your machine.

Earl Kaplan

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Webmaster's Comments by Ralph Sutter
Lending Library: SLO Bytes maintains a small lending library of computer-related books. Currently the volumes available are
   Windows 8 Plain and Simple
   WordPress; the Missing Manual
Please e-mail **ralph@rsutter.com** if you would like to check out any of this material.

Go to http://www.slobytes.org/newsletter/push/ to see the **PUSH** reviews. They come to us from the Association of Computer User Groups, **APCUG**, the national organization with which SLO Bytes is affiliated. Our webmaster, **Ralph Sutter**, uploads these articles to our website. The actual PUSH articles are hyperlinked from the index.

NOTE
Due to the concerns over the misuse of the PUSH articles by non-APCUG affiliated computer clubs, I have password protected the PUSH archives on the SLO Bytes site. If you click on any of the links that follow, a message will appear asking that you enter a user name and a password. The User Name is **slobytes**. The password is **IOOF520dAnA**.
You will need to enter this information when attempting to access the PUSH articles from the following links
       http://www.slobytes.org/newsletter/push/index.html
       http://www.slobytes.org/newsletter/push/push-condensed.html

You can view additional APCUG publications here: http://www.slobytes.org/apcug/index.html The latter materials are not password-protected.

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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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) or visit http://www.slobytes.org/index.shtml 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, raffle gift drawing at the end of the meetings, 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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