

EAMUG

January 5, 2017



At our Meeting

- 1:30 Pledge and Announcements
- 1:45 - 2:15 Q and A or Carl Gaites will present 10 questions with answers
- 2:15 - 2:35 **Three Browsers by Carl Schwartz**
- 2:35 - 2:50 Break
- 2:50 - 3:10 **Split Screen by Carl Gaites**
- 3:10 - 3:35 **Powerpoint by Glenn Freeman**
- 3:50 - 4:00 Members rafael & Lights Off



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<http://eamug.org/EAMUG.html>

El Presidente's Message January 2016



Happy New Year y'all... Many years ago I started compiling a Bucket List and an early item was live to the year 2000. Why? 'Cause I wanted to know if people would call the new century "twenty-hundred...", or "two thousand..." or whatever. Hey we're now at 2017...

What did YOU get for Christmas that had an Apple logo? Daughter gave me an Apple Coffee Mug. Son gave me the latest (Gen. 4) Apple TV. I told him I'd send him my old Apple TV (Gen. 2 or 3) when I installed the new one.

Installation went easy. BUT... I discovered that some of the widgets (channels) that had been free with the old Apple TV were no longer free with Generation 4 - like Discovery, Nat'l Geographic, etc. You may get a few months free but then you must subscribe.



Then I went on the APP Store and downloaded (free) Apple Cider TV (neat name). Installed it on the iPhone and Alice's iPad. What does it do? Cider TV is an alternate Remote for those times when your lost the Apple TV Remote in the furniture cushions or the dog took it or you left it in a secret hiding place. It's sort of clumsy but it does operate my new Apple TV.

The next item I want is Apple CarPlay on a new KIA.

Based on plans formulated at our last Board meeting I see that I'm supposed to do a presentation on Dividing the Screen. This is a feature that came out with El Capitan (OX 10.11). Unfortunately, the club laptop is set up for Tiger or Panther or some long-forgotten operating system. So, we may need to commandeer someone's laptop for the demo. Don't worry, you'll get it back.

See ya Thursday, 1:30~~~
aka El Presidente
Carl Gaites



Help for Beginners/Newcomers



On line **information** is ready for You

find a cool apple related website... [Official | Apple Support Communities](#)

[Find a Group | Apple User Group Resources](#)



iPhone



Mac OS & System Software



iPad



Apple Watch



Notebooks



iTunes

Questions? e-Mail: bessen@verizon.net

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EAMUG Dues - Join or Renewal Individual \$12/Family \$18

Wow what a Deal: Info, Support, sea side parties, and Door Prizes

Dues can be paid by check or cash to the Treasurer,
Louis Bessen, at the User Group meeting
(in an envelope, please) or by mail to:



Louis Bessen, Treasurer
2221 Bal Harbour Drive
Venice, FL 34293

Remember our **EAMUG** Library for Members!

David Pascal is our 2016 EAMUG Librarian.

Checkout period is for one month or till the next meeting.
All books will be **available at the meeting**. There are also
MacLife magazines from 2012 and 2013.

The books are currently being stored in the meeting room
closet and are readily accessible at meetings.



Bring your thing!

Remember to check the Big room at the
Elsie Quirk Library to see if we were moved.

Please RSVP for this SIG.

SIG
Special Interest
Group

**Devices
&
Laptops**



2 - 4:00 PM

Thursday, January 12, 2017

There are lots of browsers. I mostly use Chrome, Safari, and Firefox. Here is a brief summary of other opinions. A lot depends on the age of your computer and whether you are using a portable device.

Which is the best web browser software for Mac users in 2016? From Safari and Opera to SeaMonkey and Vivaldi, here are eight internet browser apps for Mac OS X that are worth a try (and one that absolutely isn't)

Firefox

Score: 6/10

A foot soldier in the browser war of the early 21st century, Firefox became hugely popular as the alternative of choice. Since then...? Well, how things have changed. With the introduction of Chrome, which somehow simultaneously occupies both the mainstream and alternative niches, Firefox has dropped to a mere 4% market share

Vivaldi

Score 7/10

There's a chance you'll never have heard of Vivaldi. It's the newest browser in our test, seeing its first major release in the first months of 2016. Don't fall into the trap of thinking this is some optimistic upstart put together by hobbyists, however. Its head guy is Jón von Tetzchner, who co-founded Opera back in 1994, and Vivaldi has some very specific goals: namely, to be the browser of choice for the power user generation that lives online, rather than merely visits it occasionally.

This article was taken in part from the following source. for more details go to this website.



<https://www.airsassociation.org/services-new/airs-knowledge-network-n/airs-articles/item/17326-8-best-mac-web-browsers-2016>

Google Chrome

Score: 8/10

There's a pretty good chance you're reading this via Google Chrome; some measures say that 70 percent of web users rely on it daily. Macworld's own figures put this closer to 60 percent, but that's still a solid majority.

Releasing a browser was a masterstroke by Google, of course, because it introduces to Macs and PCs a custom-made gateway to all their online services. Such was this push that up until recently Chrome had a Borg-like tendency to take over the computer on which it was installed, adding its own menu and notification system. This has been removed from recent releases, and Chrome's Mac developers are attempting to integrate the browser with OS X's built-in systems.

Opera

Score: 8/10

First impressions of Opera are that it's fast. Rather like when computers are shown in movies and TV shows, pages load in the blink of an eye, and scrolling is smooth and unhindered. The JetStream benchmark score of 210.26 sees it nudging ahead a little bit even of Google Chrome in the out-and-out performance stakes, and the Octane benchmarks back this up. It's still a notch behind the current Safari and some distance behind the Safari Technical Preview, though.

OmniWeb

Score: 4/10

It might sound incredible but 15 years ago, when Mac OS X was young, there wasn't a lot of choice when it came to web browsers. OmniWeb was one of them and, although it again sounds incredible, it was sold to avid Mac users for \$40.

Needless to say, entire oceans have flowed under the bridge since then and nowadays OmniWeb is free, just like virtually every other web browser. We found that the last official release doesn't work on OS X Captain, forcing us to use here the most recent testing release that was made available in August 2015.

SeaMonkey

Score: 5/10

Those with grey hair might remember how browsers used to work back when the two mainstream choices were Netscape or Internet Explorer -- even on the Mac! A radical faction then split away from the Netscape team to form Firefox, and if you've ever wondered what happened to the venerable Netscape then we've the answer: It became SeaMonkey. And, perhaps astonishingly, it's still being developed after all these years, with a new version released in March 2016.

Safari

Score: 9/10

Almost last in our list is Safari, which has been the built-in browser supplied with OS X for over a decade now. In that time it's evolved from being notoriously underpowered and painful to use, to becoming one of the top-flight web browsers. And because Safari is provided with iPhones and iPads, it's also one of the world's most widely-used browsers.

In terms of features there's a handful of unique tools. For example, Reading List lets you save web pages for offline viewing - a kind of super-powerful bookmarking – while the Shared Links feature lets you monitor social media updates alongside RSS/Atom feeds from websites in a sidebar. Reader View converts web pages into simple documents, without any of the typical mess of a webpage, such as adverts and arbitrary formatting. We particularly like Safari's implementation of pinned tabs, which lets you store useful sites at the left of the tab listing. Safari somehow makes it useful and sensible, removing the irks that plague Google Chrome's implementation.

if you're using some form of MacBook. We estimate that using Safari can lead to as much as an extra hour or two of browsing on one battery charge compared to using something like Google Chrome, for example.

Performance is pretty excellent too, and the old complaints about a subpar experience are simply no longer true. The JetStream benchmark threw out a score of 221.77, although the Octane benchmark score was slightly more average. However, Safari really does feel snappy and there's no waiting around for pages to load. Scrolling is smooth.

Safari's weakness is its humble selection of extensions. There's a decent selection covering the major bases like ad-blocking, but anybody who's visited the Google Chrome's Web Store will snigger at the paucity of choice. If you're the kind of browser user whose extensions list reaches the double digits then you might struggle to recreate that experience with Safari.

Built into OS X - no download required

Internet Explorer

Microsoft included a version of Internet Explorer in Mac OS 9 and subsequently OS X, but stopped releasing new versions way back in 2003. That was in the days of PowerPC-based Macs so, even if you now got hold of a copy of Internet Explorer for Mac, it wouldn't install on a modern Mac. (Apple formerly let people run old PowerPC apps on the newer Intel Macs using something called Rosetta, but this was dropped in OS X 10.7.)

But Microsoft's given up on Internet Explorer even on Windows nowadays, preferring instead to focus on the Edge browser. (However, both Internet Explorer and Edge are provided as part of Windows 10, largely because there's still a minority of sites that simply won't work unless you're using Internet Explorer.)

The next EAMUG page is a visual sample of web pages using the Safari browsers built in Reader. A Reader version has larger print and no distracting side adds!

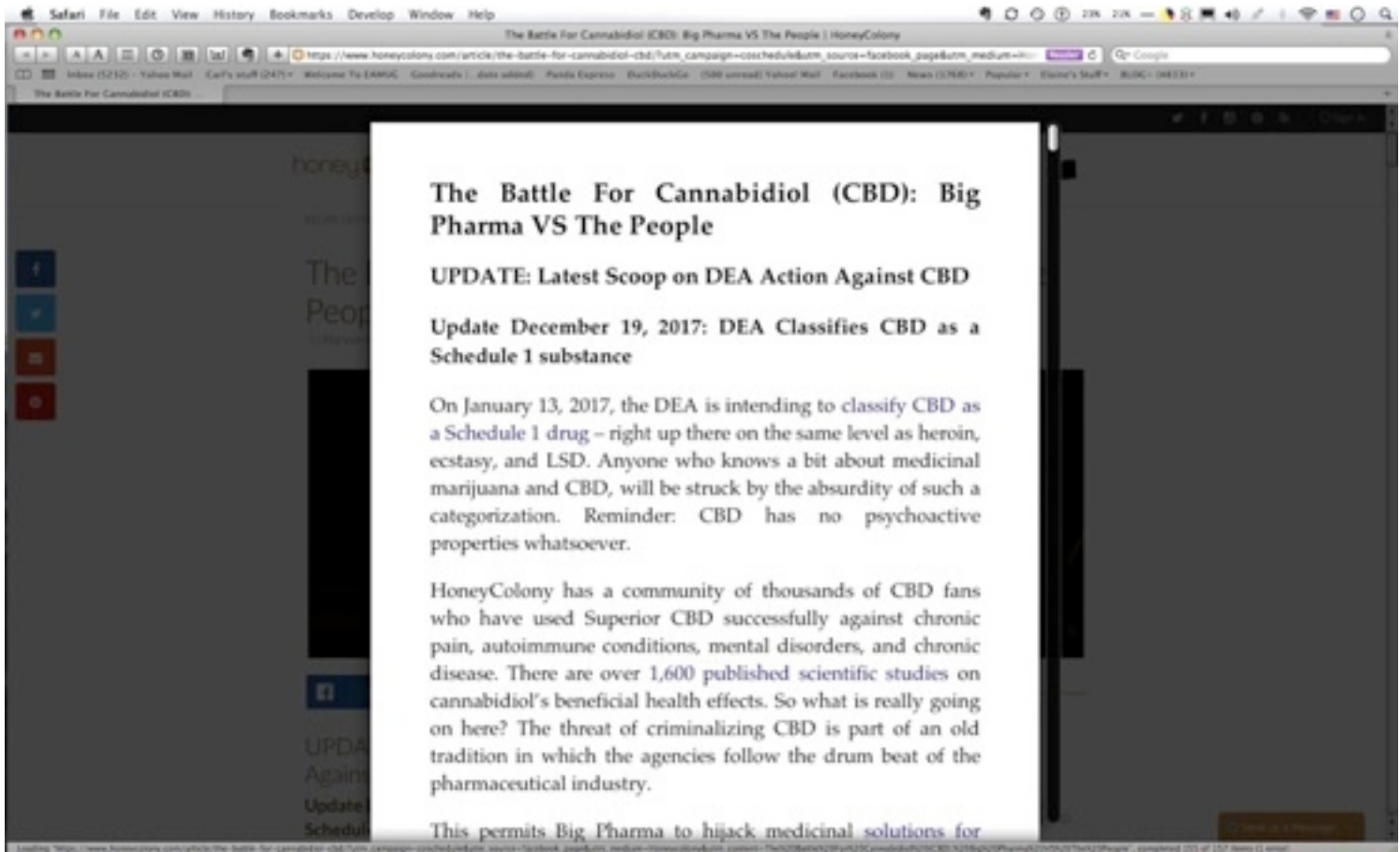
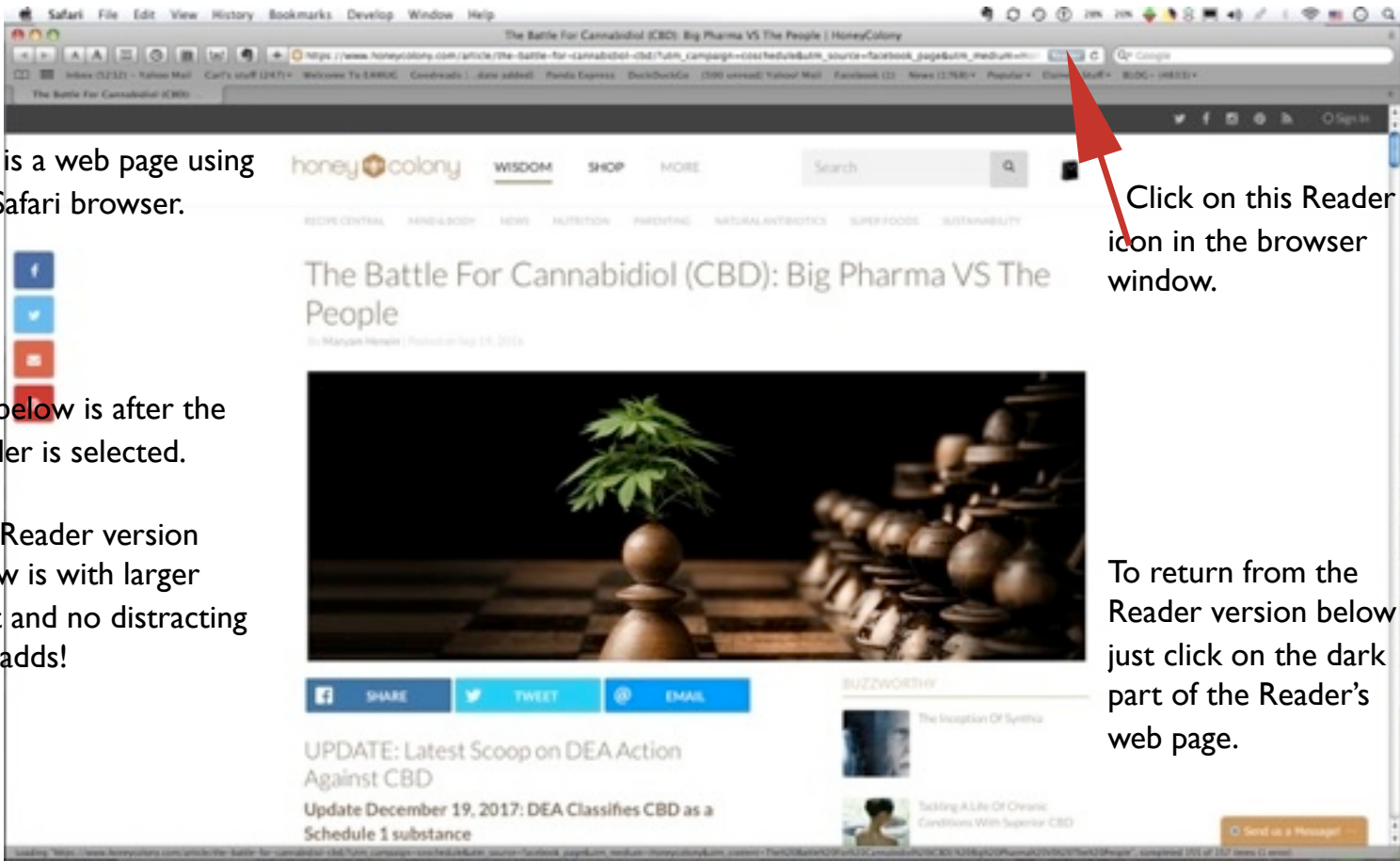
This is a web page using the Safari browser.

Click on this Reader icon in the browser window.

and below is after the Reader is selected.

The Reader version below is with larger print and no distracting side adds!

To return from the Reader version below just click on the dark part of the Reader's web page.



EAMUG Board of Directors Meeting on December 8, 2016

EAMUG board met at Stefanos with Carl Gaites (President & Programs), Carolyn Rosenfeld (Secretary), Carl Schwartz (Newsletter and SIG), Carol Bryan (Membership), Lou Bessen (Treasurer), Glenn Freeman, and Mike Volpe (Vice-President and Sgt@ Arms) present. Meeting began at 12:00.

There were 16 members and 2 guest present at the last meeting. At the last meeting the board of directors was moved by Dennis Ricke and seconded by Walter Glasspool to be accepted as it stands.

Newsletter was good.

PROGRAM COMMENTS

Q & A Glenn Freeman and Dennis Ricke both did on the spot demonstrations to answer questions that was just great.

NEW BUSINESS:

We discussed buying a new laptop for the club. Mike Volpe will investigate this. We discussed how to have members contribute to our Facebook page . We will take another survey of members to find out what equipment they are using and what operating systems so that we can aim our presentations to all groups. Carol Bryant will pass around a paper at our meeting so members can make suggestions of what they would like at future meetings.



Program for January 5, 2017.

(on the EAMUG cover)

General Meeting January 5, 2017 at 1:30 at Elsie Quirk Library

Board Meeting January 12, 2017 at 11:30 at Stefanos.

SIG January 12, 2017 at 2:00 at Elsie Quirk Library

Future Meetings

General Meeting on 1st Thursday

Board Meeting on 2nd Thursday

SIG Meeting on 2nd Thursday

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 PM.
Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Rosenfeld
Secretary

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Board Meetings on 2nd Thursday at 11:30 (*all members welcome*)

SIG Meetings on 2nd Thursday at 2:00



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<http://eamug.org/Maps.html>

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Thanks to our webmaster, David, and Google Maps

