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Our July Presenters OVERVIEW OF PROSOFT PRODUCTS

Prosoft Engineering offers software solutions that protect you from losing data in three ways with **Data Rescue, Data Recycler and Data Backup.**



- Data Rescue recovers your valuable data from a corrupt drive (even if it nolonger mounts). Focusing on recovery, not repair, Data Rescue does not write to the disk ensuring your data is preserved without causing further damage. For emergency use, Data Rescue ships on the latest Mac bootable CD.
- Data Recycler gives you the ability to undelete files after emptying the trash. Data Recycler offers three levels of protection that are independently controlled by the user. Data Recycler also includes E.W.S. disk monitoring system that monitors your hard drive, warning you of impending problems before they affect you.
- Data Backup is backup made easy.

This powerful backup utility is easy to use yet has all the advanced options you're looking for. Backup, synchronize or restore to and from any mounted volume. Schedule backups to occur automatically and you won't ever have to "think" about backing up again.

Prosoft Company Background

Established in 1985, Prosoft Engineering, Inc. specializes in creating professional quality software designed to be

easily used by both novice and expert users. Prosoft started out as an engineering services company doing contract work with many of Apple's key developers including Disney, Epson, HP, Intuit, Iomega, Microsoft, Sony, TDK and VST. Prosoft has licensed multiple technologies to Apple including disk utilities, plug-and-play drivers, CD burning software, drive setup, password protection and disk image mounting. Prosoft is now developing it's own line of networking and utility software products that are engineered to empower users to effectively manage their data – including Netware, Data Rescue, Data Recycler and Data Backup.

Change in the July meeting date!

Due to a date conflict at SLAC we will not be meeting on the the 7th of July but *on the 14 th of July* .Mark it down on your calendar.

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SMUG July 14

Meeting Schedule 6:30 - 9:30

6:30 - 7:00 Questions and Answers

7:00 - 7:30 Shareware Demo

Owen Saxton /Shareware Team

7:45 - 8:00 Break

8:00 - 9:00 Prosoft Products

Presenters - CEO Greg Brewer and Partnership Manager Sherri Jessen,

9:00 - 9:15 Raffle

UpComing Meetings We Fix Macs—August 4

"Font Reserve" by Diamond Soft, Inc.

June Meeting Report



Chelsea Cleland and Clifford Kaplan our friends from DiamondSoft presented their Font Reserve application at our last meeting; and more recently the company had been acquired by Extensis. They gave a wonderful explanation of how "FR" handles all current type fonts including OpenType, Adobe Post Script Type 1, etc., TrueType, Multiple Master and more. OpenType fonts are the latest innovation and will become the new "standard" for cross platform use. FR does it all—including finding corrupt fonts and checking for all six correct font parameters. They also raffled-off three single user copies

at our drawing. They are located in Mill Valley and can be reached at Tel 415-381-3303 x107 [Chelsea] or 110 [Cliff] or 415-381-3503 Fax; and receive email at www.fontreserve.com.

June Election Was a Bust—We Still Need Candidates!

At the June meeting the annual election was held and only one of the following positions was filled by Jim Thornton and that was one of the board of directors position.

As of right now we have *no president ,vice president* and *another board member*. If this continues we have *NOSMUG* is this what everyone wants?

There will be another election to be held at the August meeting if it has the same response that the June election had we might as well just disband the club. We don't have enough people for a board meeting. This is serious, it's up to you all.

- President- Be at all the meeting and the board meeting once a month
- *Vice President* When the President cannot attend fill in for him at the monthly meeting and the board meeting.
- 1 board of directors position- Meet once a month for the board of directors meeting.

We are open to any suggestions or ideas anyone can give us, contact us at: Frank Smith (510) 477-0969 aquaman47@mac.com
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SMUG CD-ROM Summer Quarter 2003

NEW CONTENTS Audio & Music

401(ok) 0.1 (OSX) AquaGnome 1.6 (OSX) SndSampler 4.6.3 (Cls)

Comm

AmazonShopper 1.2 (OSX) Crystal Fire Wormhole 1.0.2 (Cbn) Hogwasher 3.1 (Cbn) iScooper 1.1 (OSX) iStorm 2.5 (OSX)

MacResponder 1.0b2 (OSX) NewsMac 2.2 (OSX) osXigen 2.1 (OSX) Romeo 0.9.0 (OSX) Spy 1.1b2 (Cls) Spy 1.1b2 (OSX)

Design & Graphics

MacHTTP 2.6 (Cls)

EasyPhoto 1.2.5 (Cbn) PICStation 1.3 (Cbn) PICStation 1.3 (OSX) SpirographX 1.2 (OSX) StereoGrabber 1.2 (Cls) StereoGrabber 1.2 (OSX) WebPics X 2.6.1 (OSX)

Fun and Games

Asteroid Storm 1.2.1 (Cbn) Enigmo 1.3.1 (Cbn) MacXword 1.1.0 (OSX) Mike's Cards Lite 1.8.2 (OSX) Mike's Marbles 1.1.1 (OSX)

Interface

AliasMenu X 3.0.2 (OSX) Classic Dockling 1.1 (OSX) Classic Spy 2.1.2 (OSX) Clipboard Sharing 1.1.2 (OSX) Dock Hide 1.2.8 (OSX) Duality 3.1 (OSX)

Federation Screen Saver 0.1 (OSX) iClip 2.1 (OSX)

Klingon Screen Saver 0.1 (OSX) Menu Extra Enabler 1.0 (OSX) Mighty Mouse 1.1 (OSX) MUMenu 1.2 (OSX)

www.freemacfonts.com (OSX & Cls)

Kitchen Sink

Computer Cuisine Deluxe 3.5 (OSX & Cls) FinKit 1.2.4 (Cls) FinKit X 1.5.1 (OSX) iCash X 1.4 (OSX) Idea Knot 0.3 (OSX) MConvert 4.5 (Cls)

MConvert X 4.5 (OSX)

Multimedia

Slick Transitions & Effects Sampler 1.0 (OSX)

Xinema 1.0.3 (OSX)

Productivity

AlarmClock Pro 6.2.6 (Cbn)

Fob 1.0.1 (OSX)

Hog Bay Notebook 2.0b2 (OSX)

iCalViewer 1.0.4 (OSX) iOrganize 4.4.6 (OSX)

MP3 Alarm Clock X 2.2 (OSX)

SBook5 5.05 (OSX) ScrapX 1.1.6 (OSX)

Utilities

Bookmarksman 2.1 (Cbn) CD Session Burner 1.0.2 (OSX) Cee Pee You 1.1.1 (OSX) Cool Tools 1.0.1 (Cls) MacStumbler 0.6b (OSX) MacWasher 2.1 (Cls) PGPFreeware 8.0.2 (OSX) Platypus 1.0 (OSX) Print Window 2.1.1 (OSX) Security Services 1.04 (OSX) TextSpresso 2.2 (Cbn) UpdateRadar 4.0.5 (OSX) VideoCalc X 2.0 (OSX) Web Validator 1.4.1 (Cbn) Xbench 1.0 (OSX) XLoad 1.4.3 (OSX) XMonitor 1.9.3 (OSX)

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Graphics

GifBuilder 1.0 (Cls) Goldberg 2.3 (Cbn) Goldberg X 2.3 (OSX) GraphicConverter 4.1 (68K) GraphicConverter 4.7.1 (Cls) * GraphicConverter X 4.7.1 (OSX) * Jade 1.2 (Cls)

Internet

AOL Instant Messenger 4.6.1131 (Cbn) * Better Telnet 2.0b4 (Cls) Camino 0.7.0 (OSX) Eudora 6.0b24 (Cls) * Eudora X 6.0b24 (OSX) * Fetch 4.0.3 iCab 2.9.1 (Cls) iCab X 2.9.1 (OSX) Interarchy 6.2 (Cbn) * Internet Explorer 5.1.6 (Cls)

Internet Explorer 5.2.3 (OSX) *

MacSSH 2.1fc3 (68K)

MacSSH 2.1fc3 (Cls) Mozilla 1.2.1 (Cls) Mozilla X 1.4rc3 (Cbn) * MT-NewsWatcher 3.1 (Cls) MT-NewsWatcher X 3.3b1 (OSX) Netscape Communicator? 7.0.2 (Cls) Netscape Communicator? 7.0.2 (OSX Netscape MRJ Plugin 1.0b5 (Cls) Netscape MRJ Plugin X 1.0.1 (OSX) Niftytelnet SSH 1.1r3 (Cls) NiftyTelnet 1.1 FAT (Cls) OmniWeb 4.5b1 (OSX) * Opera 6.02 (Cbn) * Outlook Express 5.0.3 (Cls) RealOne Player 9.0 (OSX) RealPlayer 8 6.0 (Cls) Windows Media Player 7.1.2 (Cls)

Windows Media Player X 7.1.3 (OSX)

BBEdit Lite 6.1.2 (Cls & Cbn) BBTidy 1.0b9 DarkSide of the Mac 5.0.6 (Cls) Extension Overload 5.9.9 (Cls) MacTracker 2.0.3 (Cls) * MacTracker X 2.0.3 (OSX) * Mariner LE 3.1.4 (Cls) MP3 Rage 5.7 (Cbn) * SoundApp 2.7.3 (68K) SoundApp 2.7.3 (Cls) SoundJam MP Free 2.5.3 (Cls) Tex-Edit Plus 4.1.3 (Cls) Tex-Edit Plus X 4.5.1b1 (OSX) * textSOAP 3.2.2 (Cbn)

Utilities

Acrobat Reader 5.1 (Cbn) ADBProbe 1.0.3 (Cls) Aladdin DropStuff 6.0.1 Aladdin Expander? 6.0.1 Andrew's Disk Copy Scripts 2.1.1 AntiWordService 1.0.1 (OSX) Default Folder 3.1.5 (Cls) * Default Folder X 1.7.1 (OSX) * FinderPop 1.9.2 (Cls) PopChar Lite 2.7.2 (Cls) PrintToPDF 2.4.4 (Cls) SCSIProbe 5.2 (Cls) ShrinkWrap? 2.1 (Cls) Sleeper 3.5 (Cls) Snitch 2.6.7b2 (Cls) * TechTool Lite 3.0.4 (Cls) TinkerTool 2.32 (OSX)

Adobe Reader 6.0 (OSX) *

* New or updated since the previous CDOQ





AmazonShopper 1.2 (OSX)

AmazonShopper is a completely free application that lets you quickly and easily search for products available on Amazon.com and Amazon.co.uk.

- Search for products in a wide variety of categories.
- View as many as 200 results at a time.
- Sort those results by price, manufacturer and name.
- See a picture of the product (if one is available).
- See reviews from other buyers.
- Clicking on the "Buy" button takes you right to the page on Amazon.Com.
- It's completely free to use! (Always a plus) *Requires OS X 10.2+. Free.*



Dock Hide 1.2.8 (OSX)

This little installer activates, in the Dock, the options to hide an application and to hide all other applications. *Requires OS X 10.1+. Free.*



EasyPhoto 1.2.5 (Cbn)

EasyPhoto is a very easy to use utility to help create pictures for the web from your digital camera pictures. After explaining all the steps you need to go through to change those 2+ megapixel / 22 inch pictures taken with a digital camera into smaller 6 inch 100K pictures suitable for email, I decided to write EasyPhoto. If you're a PhotoShop guru, this application may not be for you, but if you have a friend, or reletive that isn't, EasyPhoto allows you to do all these steps by simply dragging a folder, or camera onto the EasyPhoto window. Allows you to resize, rotate, adjust brightness/contrast and crop images and automatically saves the new, smaller, pictures to an easy to find location. Also supports multiple levels of undo and 13 other picture effects.

Requires OS 8.6+ or OS X 10.0+. \$15.



iCalViewer 1.0.4 (OSX)

iCalViewer displays the events from Apple's calendar application, iCal, in a window. Each event is displayed in a similar way to iCal and marches towards a finish line which is the time now.

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But wait! There's more! iCalViewer also comes as a handy screen saver, iCalSaver!

Although you cannot, at present, interact with individual events, there are options which allow altering the overall display in the preferences dialogue and the 'Window' menu.

Features:

- Comes as an application or screen saver
- Simple design
- Similar look to iCal
- · Nifty display modes
- Easy to use
- More to come!

Requires OS X 10.2+. Free.



osXigen 2.1 (OSX)

osXigen (read it oxygen) is a fully-featured queue-based FTP/SFTP client for Mac OS X. Features:

- Native, cocoa-based
- FTP and SFTP support
- Completely multithreaded
- Web management with full mirroring / synchronization
- BBEdit integration
- Implements queued download & uploads
- Active Bookmarks (bookmarks that react to drag'n'drops)
- Filters filter-out / filter-in files matching a regular expression
- Supports most Ftp servers: UNIX/Linux, Mac, Windows, Novell NetWare, VMS and others
- Firewall support : FTP Proxy, HTTP proxy tunnel and SOCKS support
- Fully integrated with Mac OS X features: AppleScript, Keychain, Help System, etc.
- Protocol helper (ftp protocol) support
- Ability to list hidden files on ftp servers
- Sounds
- Load/save queued jobs
- Full keyboard navigation
- 4 Sets of Icons Just choose the ones you like most from the Preferences
- French, German, Italian and Spanish localizations
- lots of others...

Requires OS X 10.2+. \$20.



SBook5 5.05 (OSX)

SBook5 is an extremeley fast, AI-based personal information manager for computers running the Mac OS X operating system. SBook5 organizes your information into pages, or entries, with one page for each person, company, or thing that you need to track. Each of these entries can have any number of postal addresses, phone numbers, email addresses, or other information. SBook

recognizes the information that you put into each entry and allows you to intelligently manage it.

SBook5 automatically tells the difference between an entry that represents a person and one that represents a corporation, and sorts accordingly. The database then sorts entries as you would, if you only had the time. SBook5's proprietary searching algorithms search in the blink of an eye. Just type a few characters from the person's name, and SBook5 instantly finds the right entry. Don't know the name? No problem —- SBook5 automatically downshifts to full-text search mode, automatically finding all entries that match what you type. Multiple people can have the same SBook5 database open at the same time; when one person saves their file, the changes are automatically reflected in all other instances of the application running on other computers.

Besides incredibly fast search, SBook5 can also dial the phone, print envelopes, mailing labels, and integrate with other applications. And it has an incredibly responsive developer who is always looking for new ideas.

*Requires OS X 10.2.4+. Free.



WebPics X 2.6.1 (OSX)

Quickly and easily build web page galleries from your digital pictures. Create thumbnails and captions for each picture, select a back ground color or image and many other options to customize your pages. Includes full online help files. *Requires OS X 10.0+.* \$16.



WebValidator 1.4.1 (Cbn)

Web Validator can validate HTML, XHTML and CSS of whole websites at once. Simply enter the URL of the website, select what to validate (which XHTML/HTML version - can also be detected automatically - and CSS) and which links to follow - you can limit by domains, link depth and directories and click validate.

Web Validator uses the services of the World Wide Web Consortium and so errors in validation are almost impossible. *Requires OS 8.6+ or OS X 10.0+.* \$12.



XLoad 1.4.3 (OSX)

This utility displays the load of the processor on Mac OS X. If you use an MP machine, Xload will display the load of each CPU.

Requires OS X 10.0+. Free.



XMonitor 1.9.3 (OSX)

XMonitor displays a wide variety of system information, shows you how much email you've got, checks the status

of remote servers, and is highly customizable.

Monitors: disk, cpu, ram and network usage, PPP status, IP address, Email, Remote Servers and much more. Real-time, auto-scaling graphs of current activity, shows all mounted drive and disk free and used size statistics. Shows: system load, load average, number of users logged in, users logged in, number of running programs and active programs, %cpu used by the system, by user, and idle %, current speed, average speed, max speed, max send/receive speed per session, total sent/received since computer startup and receive/send split, free memory, used memory, wired memory, % of memory used, and total memory available. Disk current speed, average speed, total data read and written since computer startup, max combined speed per session. Total network and hard drive sent/received statistics since system startup and per session.

CPU information, bus speed, OS Statistics, uptime, MAC address, network interfaces, broadcast address, netmask. Adjustable: Transparency, CPU usage, Display mode, Graphing mode, Colors, text size and fonts. Horizontal, Vertical, and more Display modes. Utilizes a convenient, space saving layout. Able to automatically hide & show, snap to edge of screen, export History to html & jpeg images, export remote host status. Fixable scaling, POP3 and IMAP support, adjustable volume and customizeable notification sounds.

When purchasing XMonitor, you pay only what it's worth to you. *Requires OS X 10.1+*. *Donation*.

Casady & Greene Closes, Heralding End of an Era

Closing a Chapter

For 19 years, Casady & Greene Inc. exemplified a refreshingly old-fashioned approach to the software business. The chief executive of the Salinas, Calif., company, for example, was no ambitious young programmer but Charles R. Fulweiler, an 85-year-old former clinical psychologist known for working every day from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., and departing with a trademark "goodnight everybody" to the rest of the staff.

But no more. C&G is closing its doors, hurt both by the technology downturn and broader market changes. The closely held company, which sold software for Apple Computer Inc.'s Macintosh, didn't actually employ programmers. Like book publishers, it packaged and distributed software that was created by others. Unfortunately, notes Vice President Bonnie Mitchell, many of those products now come free with computers or other pieces of software.

Examples include C&G's type fonts, a key technology as desktop publishing emerged in the 1980s; Spell Catcher,

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a product that catches typos in other programs that use text; and Sound Jam, a digital music program that Apple bought and used as the basis for its widely used iTunes software. "We were forbidden for two years from discussing that deal," Ms. Mitchell says.C&G considered selling its trademarks, Ms. Mitchell adds, but feared a successor wouldn't uphold its tradition of treating customers like family. Now, its products will revert to control by their authors. "The outpouring of support from customers has just been incredible," she says.

Quark, Inc. marches to its own drummer

Quark, Inc. today announced a Mac OS X native version of its flagship product, QuarkXPress,now at version 6, a mere 27 months after the introduction of Mac OS X. Quark 6 for the Macintosh will begin shipping next week.

Upgrade pricing as per the Quark site is vaguely listed as between \$199 and \$499 depending on the version you currently own. The full product via the Quark store is listed at \$944. Online and catalog resellers will almost assuredly have better pricing.

The release of Quark 6 removes the last major obstacle for a significant segment of the design and print community to seriously consider an upgrade to Mac OS X under Jaguar. We extensively covered the many benefits and few gotchas of this move in a session at our recent seminar "The Designer's Transition to Mac OS X," http://www.macresolutions.com/report16.html.

WHAT ELSE IS NEW?

In addition to running natively within Jaguar, Quark 6 also includes incremental improvements over earlier versions. The final release is consistent with the features detailed by John Cruise in his seminar session "Choosing a Page Layout Program for Mac OS X," http://www.macresolutions.com/report17.html.

In brief, they include:

- Direct export to PDF version 1.3 (i.e., Acrobat 4 compatibility)
- Layout Spaces, which enables sharing specifications and synchronizing text across various layouts
- Multiple Undos

Those who have made the switch to InDesign 2 or are at ease with Quark running within the Classic Compatibility Environment are already well on their productive ways within OS X. Now the Quark purists and those reluctant to change or upset a workflow must think again.

DO YOU UPGRADE NOW?

Interestingly, the decision is not a slam dunk. Despite the compelling attractions of Jaguar and Apple's hopes for a massive immediate migration, an informed decision still requires reflection. Here's why:

1. QuarkXpress Only Runs in Mac OS X Under Jaguar.

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It will **not** run in Mac OS 9, as opposed to say, InDesign 2, Photoshop 7, and Illustrator X. Therefore to keep your Quark workflow in parallel, all users either have to move to Quark 6, or some will have to backsave into earlier versions. Quark 6 only backsaves into version 5, and you'll need a copy of version 5 to backsave to version 4. Go from 6 to 4 in one step? Not as far as I know. Also, during each backsave any content dependent on features exclusive to the new version will be altered.

2. Where's My Plug-In?

Your older plug-ins will not work in Quark 6. They must all be rewritten unless their functionality has been incorporated into version 6. If your work relies on a special third-party plug-in, you may have to wait. Quark says that developers have been working on plug-ins for some time and they should be released rapidly. This does not match what I learned in a recent conversation with one such developer.

3. Is Your Commercial Printer Ready for Quark 6?

Commercial printers had difficulties with early releases of Adobe's new product, InDesign. By version 2 however, released a year ago, the kinks with commercial printer RIPs had been worked out. And even if your commercial printer was not running OS X (and most still are not) they could easily print your file by running InDesign in Mac OS 9. This will not be possible with Quark 6, unless files are saved as PDFs, a desirable although somewhat complicated procedure to get the right results for final press output.

4. How Solid is Quark 6?

Quark and many end-users had a miserable experience with the release of Quark 4. It contained a whole host of problems that were not resolved until the release of versions 4.1 and 4.11 many months later. With the release of version 5 things went smoother, and one of Quark's stated aims for the slow release schedule for version 6 is to get things right. We'll see.

5. Copy Protection

Quark 6 introduces a new copy protection system that ties the software license to the unique hardware address of your Mac. Moving Quark 6 onto another Mac, say the laptop you take to the client, not only violates the license, but requires you to call Quark, explain the situation, and get a different code. Good luck.

BOTTOM LINE

All in all the Quark upgrade is excellent news and well overdue. It fills in a key missing piece in the Mac OS X mosaic and provides another compelling reason to switch to Jaguar, whether it be with Quark, InDesign, or even both.

We will follow up with additional information on Quark and other Mac OS Xtransition issues as they become available.

Let me know if you have any questions.

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Monday, July 14

General Meeting:

Panofsky Auditorium, Stanford Linear Accelerator Center (SLAC),

2575 Sand Hill Road, Menlo Park.

Meeting:

Begins at 6:30pm. See page 2 for details

Shareware Team meeting at Owen Saxton's house,

1442 San Marcos Circle, Mt. View.

Meeting starts at 7:15 pm.

(Ask a team member for the correct date for this month).

Tuesday, July 22

Board of Directors meets at 7:00 pm Cafe La Dolce Vita, 299 California Ave. Palo Alto.

Friday, July 25

DEADLINE for Newsletter articles and Calendar items to be submitted by email to **bleiler@pa-smug.com**

Contributions:

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We thought the above calendars would be helpful for those people who don't have E-mail. This is the projection for the upcoming meeting dates.

Note the September meeting is on 8th because of Labor day

Security and You

To pass through the security gate on **July14** you will need:

- To be on our list of members
 - If your membership has lapsed, send me an email by Saturday, **July 12**
- aquaman47@mac.com, to tell me you plan to attend
- (Of course, err, um, don't forget to pay your dues at the meeting)

AND !!!

Be prepared to show a photo ID at the gate.

All guests are welcome as always, but you or they must email me by **July 12** so they can be on the list of attendees to be submitted to SLAC security.

Thanks for your cooperation.

-Frank Smith



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Next Meeting Monday July 14, 2003
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