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**July 3rd 2022 First Session Notes** *by Alan Raul***How USB Charging Works, or How to Avoid Blowing Up Your Phone**
<https://www.extremetech.com/computing/115251-how-usb-charging-works-or-how-to-avoid-blowing-up-your-smartphone>

**Amazon Rewards Visa Signature Credit Cards**
<https://www.amazon.com/gp/cobrandcard/marketing.html>

**Sitemaps** – is a protocol which allows a webmaster to inform search engines about URLs on a website that are available for crawling. It’s also very handy for an individual looking for a particular page on a web site.
Examples:
**Apple Site Map** <https://www.apple.com/sitemap/>

**Microsoft Site Map** <https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/sitemap.aspx>

**Intel Site Map** <https://www.intel.com/content/www/us/en/siteindex.html>

**State of California Site Map** <https://www.ca.gov/sitemap/>

**SLOLUG Site Map** <http://slolug.com/sitemap/>

**THE WORLD LIVE** - original classic version since 2008 – earthTV
<https://youtu.be/3qdEMXmwTkQ>

**SDR (Software Defined Radio)**
<http://www.slolug.com/sdr/>

**LiveATC.net** – Live Air Traffic – From their headsets to you
<https://www.liveatc.net/>

**Caltrans CCTV Map**
<https://cwwp2.dot.ca.gov/vm/iframemap.htm>

**Alan Raul**

**August 7th 2022 Program** *by Ralph Sutter*

The **First ZOOM Session** will feature **Alan Raul** offering a Questions and Answers program from 12:45-2:00 p.m.
Usual topics include security issues, recent changes in Windows operating systems, tablets and smart phones

as well as demos of software and hardware. We always encourage questions and observations from the audience.

To be part of the virtual meeting via **Zoom**, please refer to the e-mail that will be sent to you twice shortly before the meeting with the credentials necessary to join the Zoom session. If you are asked for a **Meeting ID** or a **Password**, copy it from the announcement and paste it into the appropriate box

There will be a break from 2:00-2:30 pm allowing the audience to sip a beverage, pet the dog or stretch

The **Second Session will continue with the format begun recently. Speakers will be members of the SLO Bytes audience. Afterwards, everyone is invited to pose computer issues that they face and/or solutions to them. We will call this segment Potpourri.**

Contact Ralph at ralph@rsutter.com for more information

View Zoom tutorials at <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLKpRxBfeD1kEM_I1lId3N_Xl77fKDzSXe> If you have any questions, please contact ralph@rsutter.com

**Ralph Sutter**

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**Treasury Report by Kaye Raul**

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**Photo Group Report** *by Ralph Sutter***Notes from the Meeting of 07/2022**
**TOPIC**: New Skills, New Thrills Again

**Ralph Sutter** opened the meeting with comments about **sensor cleaning**.
He posted relevant information on the SLO Bytes Photography website at
<https://www.slobytes.org/digital/links.html>
Ralph then offered a variety of images highlighting the **background removal** feature of [Luminar Neo](https://skylum.com/luminar)
He also shared images of marauding deer munching on his succulents planter. These were taken with the [Vikeri Trail Camera](https://vikeri.tech/product/vikeri-waterproof-trail-camera)

**Kaye Raul** visited Port San Luis/Avila Beach before showing images of house plants, tree forms and charming [Eto Park](https://tolosapressnews.com/eto-park/) in San Luis Obispo.

**Alan Raul** showed images shot with his **Apple iPhone 13 Pro Max** of the newly remodeled tunnel under the 101 Freeway in Pismo Beach.
He also had pictures of the downtown Pismo Beach area including the ever-so-famous lighted "Pismo Beach" sign.
These were show in RAW with the built-in camera app and the ACDSee Pro app.
None of the images were cropped or modified.
NOTE: The Apple iPhone Pro Max has a triple-camera array on the rear of the device.
It features a 77mm (equiv.) focal length (3x) telephoto module, a 13mm (equiv.) F1.8 ultrawide module and a 26mm (equiv.) F1.5 wide module.
One of Alan's pictures of Harry's bar used the 26mm F1.5 wide module setting.
[See https://www.apple.com/ph/iphone/compare/](https://www.apple.com/ph/iphone/compare/)
[See https://apps.apple.com/us/app/acdsee-pro/id968591710](https://apps.apple.com/us/app/acdsee-pro/id968591710)

**Stanford Brown** shot images of the sand festival in Cayucos. He then asked other members of the Photography Group for advice in improving his image of a frog sculpture.

**John Waller** showed off the impressive photographic capabilities of his recently purchased [Samsung S22 Ultra phone](https://www.samsung.com/ca/smartphones/galaxy-s22-ultra/)
The 10+ optical zoom produced sharp results of distant objects. Hand-held lo light photos were also sharp and realistically colored.
Switching to his Canon full sensor DSLR, John captured dramatic video of the Pismo Beach 4th of July fireworks

Our next meeting will take place via **Zoom** on Sunday, August 14th beginning at 2:00 pm.
An invitation with credentials to join will be sent several days before that date.

The topic is once again **New Skills, New Thrills** Explore different photographic techniques and share the fruit of your efforts with the group.
Taking up Stanford Brown's challenge to improve his image of the frog sand sculpture, I have uploaded his original picture to the SLO Bytes Photography website.
Download it from <https://www.slobytes.org/digital/frog.jpg> and edit it.
Make note of what you did and share the results with the group.
The meeting schedule for the remainder of 2022 is as follows
   September 11
   October 09
   November 13
   December 11
All meetings begin at 2:00pm
See the [Links](https://www.slobytes.org/digital/links.html) page for tutorials and other resources

**Ralph Sutter**

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**Push Library**
Look at the **PUSH archives**, <http://www.slobytes.org/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>

**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.

If you are currently registered with the SLO Bytes Bulletin Board and wish to change your password, you will find a video screen capture of how to do so at
<http://www.slobytes.org/documents/change-bb-password.mp4>

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**Club Information and Meeting Times**

**SLO** **Bytes**, a PC Users Group dedicated to educating its members in the use of personal computers, digital devices and software, meets on the first Sunday of each month via **Zoom**. Zoom credentials are sent to members twice shortly before each meeting. If you are a SLO Bytes member and don’t receive this e-mail, please contact ralph@rsutter.com.

All meetings are open to the public at no cost. A general interest and Q&A session occurs from 12:45 PM to 2:00 PM and guest speaker presentations begin at 2:30 PM. Contact **Ralph Sutter** (ralph@rsutter.com) or visit [slobytes.org](http://www.slobytes.org/index.php) for additional information about SLO Bytes and the scheduled presentation. All ideas for speakers or presentation subjects are welcome.
 **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 comradeship and a voice in the affairs of the club.

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***Outside Special Interest Groups (SIGs)*The Linux Group** normally meets via Zoom at 6:30 PM on the first Thursday of the month.
View the web site at [www.slolug.com](http://www.slolug.com). Contact Alan@alanraul.com for credentials to join the Zoom Session.
 **The Photography Group** normally meets via Zoom beginning at 2:00 PM on the second Sunday of each month. Contact
ralph@rsutter.com for credentials to join the Zoom Session.
Visit the website at [www.slobytes.org/digital](http://www.slobytes.org/digital)

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