

## SIGS (Special Interest Groups)

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*The meeting formats for the Helping Hands & How-to SIGS are usually one-on-one help as compared to the Novice SIG which is group attendance with questions and answers from the audience during and after the presentations.*

## UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

All meeting open to Public No Charge

### Both meetings at the same Location:

Las Vegas JC Park - Clubhouse,  
5805 W. Harmon Ave, Las Vegas 89103.  
Parking on both sides of clubhouse.  
Nearest major intersection: Flamingo/Jones

Saturday, Aug 5, 10am to 3:30pm

Helping Hands and How-to  
Workshop SIGs

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Saturday, Aug 11, 1pm to 4pm

Novice SIG and  
Software & Product Review SIG

Please send an E-mail with questions.

Suggested topics:

1. Member questions.
2. Address fields in e-mail.
3. Make folders for e-mail.

How-to workshop SIG July 1 2017

Topics discussed and or worked on

1. How to use functions within Windows 7.
2. Installed Open Office on a Windows 10 computer, tested it for 30 minutes, removed it.
3. Two members needed help connecting to the internet.
4. Helped a visitor with the use of and how to update a Windows 8 laptop that had not been used for a year.

Novice SIG July 8 2017

Topics discussed

1. When typing the letters appear three to five seconds after the key on the keyboard is pressed.
2. Forwarding e-mail.
3. The use of BCC
4. Check the Spam folder.
5. Check the Trash folder.
6. Put e-mail in folders to keep inbox empty.
7. Update your browser if it is not on automatic update.
8. Check your browser settings.
9. Create a folder on the desktop and what you can do with it.

Past



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## Top 10 FREE PC Programs (You Must Have)

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## HANDBREAK

Home Windows Software Video  
Software Video Converters  
HandBrake

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4 - Excellent

HandBrake is a video converter program intended to both rip and convert video files to work on a number of supported devices.

From HandBrake: HandBrake takes videos you already have and makes new ones that work on your mobile phone, tablet, TV media player, game console, computer, or web browser--nearly anything that supports modern video formats.

HandBrake works with most common video files and formats, including ones created by consumer and professional video cameras, mobile devices such as phones and tablets, game and computer screen recordings, and DVD and Blu-ray discs.

HandBrake leverages tools such as Libav, x264, and x265 to create new MP4 or MKV video files from these

What's new in this version:

Fixed decoding of raw video in Matroska/MKV  
Fixed time stamp handling for containerless raw video

Fixed memory leaks in OpenCL  
Fixed x265 2-pass encoding where video frame rate is altered by filters

Improved handling of very small amounts of sync jitter (~1 tick)

Improved handling of AVI files with broken indices

Further refined fix for Libav crash encoding AAC at very high bitrates

Removed fontconfig depende... See all new features »

[http://download.cnet.com/HandBrake/3000-2194\\_4-10808250.html](http://download.cnet.com/HandBrake/3000-2194_4-10808250.html)

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## DASHLANE

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## Media Player Classic Home Cinema

Media Player Classic Home Cinema is a free utility that provides video playback. Since there are a lot of video players on the market, this is a tough area for apps to really stand out from the competition.

With a few performance issues and some operational quirks, Media Player Classic Home Cinema didn't come out at the top of the long list of similar programs.

The installation process is simple enough, although there's about a half dozen screens to step through.

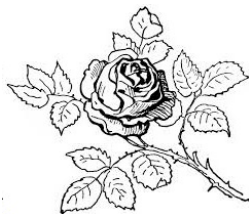
Once installed, Media Player Classic Home Cinema launches quickly, although there's no modification to the pop-up Explorer menu to launch a video clip with this tool except through "Open With." A separate menu option would have been nice. The player's interface is a little awkward. To open a file you don't get a standard browser window, but a list of recently opened files in drop-down format along with a Browse button that then offers an Explorer window. By default the player always opens with the sound turned off, and an icon has to be clicked to activate audio.

While it seems like a small issue, this isn't the default with most players, and the extra step was a drawback. Playback was fine on most video files, but on larger files we did have a crash a few times. Another weird behavior is the Stop button, which resets to the beginning of the video instead of holding the current location like most players do.

We had to get used to using the Pause button instead. Navigation back and forth in a video file also seemed slower than some competing products.

Go to website:

[http://download.cnet.com/Media-Player-Classic-Home-Cinema/3000-13632\\_4-199375.html](http://download.cnet.com/Media-Player-Classic-Home-Cinema/3000-13632_4-199375.html)



## 7-Zip

Home Windows Software Utilities & Operating Systems File Compression 7-Zip  
7-Zip

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4

Excellent

7-Zip is a utility program to help you extract compressed files and create your own compressed files in several different formats. With these tools you can easily send large quantities of information or open compressed files you receive without hassle.

Pros

Format options: This program can handle multiple compression formats. It can package files into 7z, ZIP, GZIP, BZIP2, and TAR formats, and it can unpack all those, in addition to ARJ, CAB, CHM, CPIO, DEB, DMG, and more.

Advanced capabilities: This app is straightforward enough that novice users will have no trouble accessing its basic features. But for more advanced users, there are other options as well that make this program even better. These include the ability to create self-extracting 7z files and the option to add password protection to compressed files.

Cons

Compression process: The compression process this app uses takes more time to complete than some alternative programs' processes do. Compressions carried out through 7-Zip also require a lot of system resources while they're in progress.

## Bottom Line

7-Zip is completely free to download and use, and its many upsides far outweigh the few minor drawbacks that come with it. If you're looking for an alternative to WinZip or another similar program, this is a good option to consider.

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**Publisher's Description+**

**From 7-Zip Software:**

The main features of 7-Zip: High compression ratio in new 7z format with LZMA compression. Supported formats: Packing / unpacking: 7z, ZIP, GZIP, BZIP2 and TAR; Unpacking only: ARJ, CAB, CHM, CPIO, DEB, DMG, HFS, ISO, LZH, LZMA, MSI, NSIS, RAR, RPM, UDF, WIM, XAR and Z. For ZIP and GZIP formats 7-Zip provides compression ratio that is 2-10 % better than ratio provided by PKZip and WinZip. Self-extracting capability for 7z format. Integration with Windows Shell. Powerful File Manager. Powerful command line version

[http://download.cnet.com/7-Zip/3000-2250\\_4-10045185.html](http://download.cnet.com/7-Zip/3000-2250_4-10045185.html)

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## SpaceSniffer 1.2.0.2

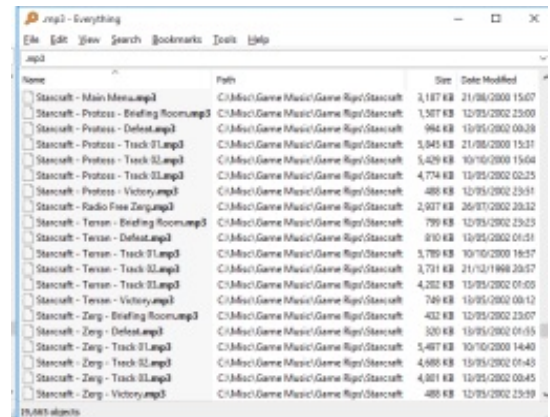
Utilities & Tools

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## DA VINCI RESOLVE

The free DaVinci Resolve is a full professional editing and color grading system that is suitable for independent users working on SD, HD and Ultra HD projects. Full Studio Edition costs \$300.

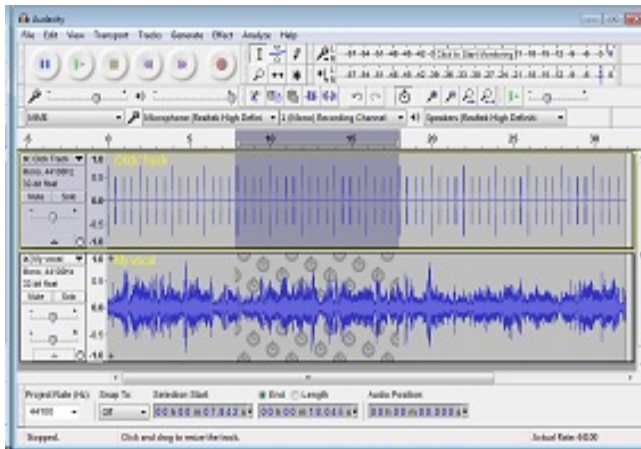
<https://www.videohelp.com/software/DaVinci-Resolve>

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## Audacity

The Audacity Team

Recommended Downloads – Latest Version of Audacity ... Audacity 2.1.3 zip file (11.44 MB) – smaller download (without help files), also useful if you ... Free, open source, cross-platform audio software for multi-track recording and editing.



<http://www.audacitynload/>



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