

Ask The Geeks



Wanted - Your Questions!



- The geeks are almost ready to (try to) answer your questions!

- **What is your question?**

- Type your question into the Chat window
- Raise your hand and we will invite you to ask your question

Alan German (OPCUG Meeting Coordinator)'s Zoom Meeting



Everyone



New chat

Messages sent to everyone will be saved in a new post-meeting chat, which can be seen by all its members.

Who can see your messages?



Type your question here...!!!



Participants



Chat



React



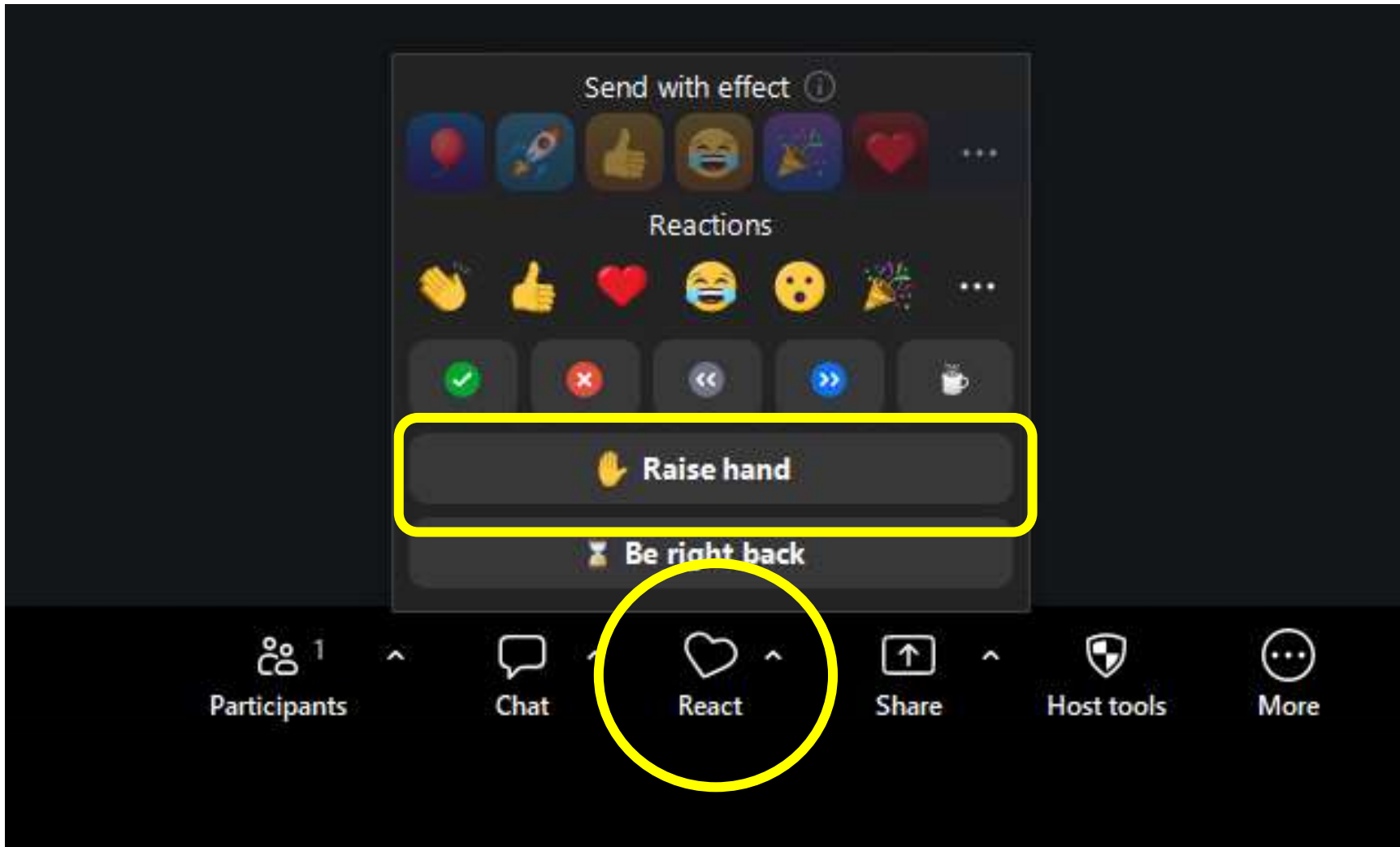
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MEET THE GEEKS...



Alan German

- Computer user since the mid-1960's
- Mainframes, PC's, smartphones and tablets
- Worked as technical college lecturer and vehicle-safety researcher
- OPCUG member since 1993
- Main computing interests:
 - Linux
 - Open-source software
 - Programming



Chris Taylor



- First "real" computer: Osborne 1 CP/M "luggable" (24 pound!) bought in 1981
- Worked in user & server support, IT architecture, and IT security for NRCan
- Awarded 15 times as a Microsoft Most Valuable Professional, received the Ottawa Mayor's City Builder Award and the Ontario Volunteer Service Award
- Written articles for OPCUG's newsletter, GlassWire's Cybersecurity News, and PC Magazine. Community Review Board member for the SANS OUCH! security newsletter
- Has given over 700 presentations for OPL, APCUG, OPCUG, other clubs and community organizations
- OPCUG and executive member for over 40 years
- Main computing interests: Windows and security

Harvey Hope

- A+ Certified Technician I.S.P., ITCP
- PC Innovation Computer Services
Ottawa, ON Canada
- PC Innovation assists businesses
with issues related to Windows
computers, hardware, software,
connected devices, and subscribed
services like Internet, email, and
accounting



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Steve Parker

- Early gaming with the Atari Pong Console (1975) and Fidelity Chess Challenger 1 (1977)
- Computers (highly modified!) include: Sinclair, Apple, Coleco, Commodore, PC's
- Webmaster, member of the BOD and Expert Panelist for The Personal Computer Club of Toronto
 - Executive Board Member and Hardware SIG Leader for The Mississauga Computer Club
 - CADD Designer for B&M, JJL, HGE, AMEC, B+H, CBC, and HBC
 - System Builder, Manager, Consultant
 - Computer Gaming Graphics Designer



tOM Trottier

- First computer use: programming at York/Ryerson, time-sharing APL (1971)
- First time hitchhiking with a microcomputer (1974)
- BA Computer Science York University (1975)
- First microcomputers: MCM 70 (1974), Apple II clone (1980), then TRS80
- First PC: Clone (about 1982)
- Interests: Data/System modelling, programming, simulations
- Learning aspirations: AI, networking, VM's



Let's get to the questions!

Hands-up!

**Who wants to
go first?**



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- Would it make any difference if it has
 - SSD versus HHD?
 - Water cooling versus air cooling?

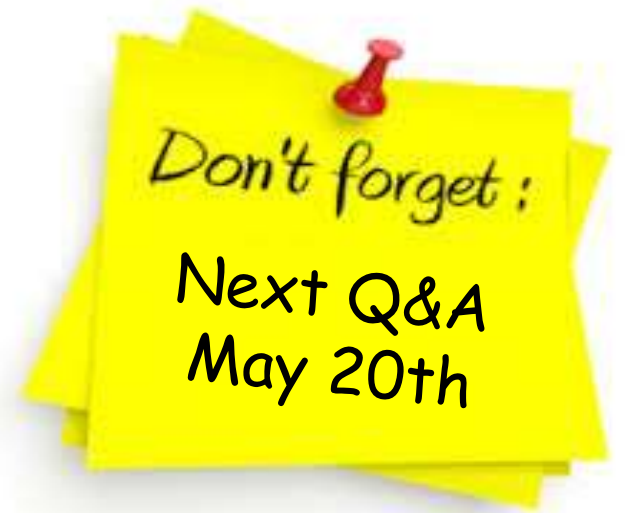
Logon Credentials MIA

- What is likely to cause Usernames and Passwords to disappear in Firefox?
- One time I'll go to Facebook (or YouTube) from a bookmark and I get signed in no problem
- The next day I'll have to fill in the username and password
- It will stay this way for days then I have to repeat the process of logging in
- This started happening a month ago
- Also...

Logon Credentials MIA

- I've also had bookmarks become inactive
- The bookmarks are all there but they are "grayed out" on the screen
- I've had to go into the settings and retrieve them
- Once I restore all the bookmarks I'm good for a few days to a week





**Send your questions,
answers, and topics
you wish to share to:**

SuggestionBox@opcug.ca