## Windows 10 Information

"Windows 10 was released on July 29, 2015. Microsoft is advertising it to Windows 7 and 8.1 users using a system try pop-up. This is a free upgrade for one year – ending July 2016.

"Microsoft wants to get all recent Windows machines on the same operating system, providing a standardized Windows platform and pushing the "universal apps" offered by the Windows Store. After the mess of Windows 8, Windows 10 is looking pretty good.

"Yes, it's free (for most people) Windows 10 will be a free upgrade, assuming your computer runs Windows 7 Service Pack 1 or Windows 8.1. As long as you upgrade to Windows 10 within the first year, you won't have to pay a cent." Source <u>www.howtogeek.com/218880/</u> See this article for more information 6/8/15

We from the WSCUG will be adding important web sites and have them on our web site <u>www.sonic.net/wscug</u> for your information.

You can contact Mr. James Tubb,  $\frac{drdelta91@gmail.com}{gmail.com}$ . He is our in house expert on Windows 10 and will be giving presentations as needed during the first hour of Windsor Senior Computer Users' Group and a two hour presentation, as our speaker presenter, on "Windows 10" on October 12, 2015 for the Windsor Senior Computer User's Group from 2:00 – 4:00 pm. Again, see web site for particulars.

You may also contact Mrs. Donna Crawford, <u>donna@sonic.net</u> and/or Mr. Ross Guistino, <u>Ross@sonic.net</u> and they will find an answer to your question.

This web site will be updated periodically.

It can either be reached by going to <u>www.sonic.net/wscug</u> and searching half way down, or go directly to <u>www.sonic.net/donna/windows10info.pdf</u>

Here are a few of the valuable web sites for your perusal: (the name in the web site tells you what it is about\_ <u>http://www.zdnet.com/article/windows-10-what-you-need-to-run-it/</u> <u>https://askleo.com/is-this-get-windows-10-icon-legitimate/</u>

What is the "Get Windows 10" Tray Item and How Do You Remove It? 6/3/15 From How to Geek: <u>http://www.howtogeek.com/218856/</u> Windows 7 and Windows 8 users might have noticed a new Windows icon in their system trays that when clicked, will open a dialog that introduces Windows 10 and determines if you're eligible for a free upgrade. Here is how to remove that icon and dialog permanently.

We're all aware of Windows 10 here at How-to Geek. We can't go a day now without hearing about its pending arrival, <u>which it turns out, is July 29</u>. In truth, we can't wait for Windows 10 because we feel it finally fixes most of Windows 8's ills and we believe it is going to be a must-have upgrade for all current Windows users.

Microsoft obviously believes this is true as well because they're <u>offering it as a free upgrade to most qualifying</u> <u>current Windows owners</u>. They're also pulling out the stops when it comes to making you, the average everyday Windows user, aware of its existence.

This includes adding a "Get Windows 10" icon and dialog to user's system trays, which has <u>alarmed quite a few</u> <u>people</u>, who aren't sure if it is some kind of trick or malware. Let us say with no uncertainty, *it is not*, but it is a

little underhanded and annoying on Microsoft's part. See whole article: www.howtogeek.com/218856

June 25, 2015 http://windowssecrets.com/top-story/what-you-should-know-about-the-win10-launch/

July 2, 2015 Microsoft delivers the third Windows 10 preview build released this week http://www.zdnet.com/article/microsoft-delivers-the-third-windows-10-preview-build-released-this-week/

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July 4, 2015 Askleo – Chomping at the bit for Windows 10 https://askleo.com/19783

July 17, 2015 Should You Upgrade to the Professional Edition of Windows 10? <a href="http://www.howtogeek.com/222458/">http://www.howtogeek.com/222458/</a>

July 20, 2015 How to decide: Should you upgrade to Windows 10? <u>http://www.zdnet.com/article/how-to-decide-should-you-upgrade-to-windows-10/</u>

July 28, 2015 How to Create an Image of Your PC Before Upgrading to Windows 10 <a href="http://www.howtogeek.com/223139/">http://www.howtogeek.com/223139/</a>

July 29, 2015 Windows 10: You've got questions, I've got answers http://www.zdnet.com/article/windows-10-youve-got-questions-ive-gotanswers/?tag=nl.e539&s cid=e539&ttag=e539&ftag=TRE17cfd61

## August 3, 2015 – Email sent to all members -

Here is some important information from James Tubb regarding a scam and Windows 10: "There is a new scam. An email claiming to come from Microsoft offers a way to get the Windows 10 download sooner. Instead it installs malware called CTB-Locker which encrypts the users files until a ransom is paid. For more details check out this article http://www.zdnet.com/article/windows-10-scam-email-will-encrypt-your-files-for-ransom/?tag=nl.e589&s\_cid=e589&ttag=e589&ftag=TREc64629f . There is no need to get Windows 10 faster and Microsoft, although it is pushing Windows 10 is not sending emails about a faster way to get it. If you want it sooner just click on the Windows icon in the notification bar (Far right) of Taskbar and you will receive it quickly." Jim

August 6, 2015 Why Windows 10 isn't really free: The subtle new World of built-in Costs. http://www.pcworld.com/article/2957365/

September 23, 2015 Why is Windows 10 being downloaded to my machine? And how do I stop it? http://askleo.com/20307 and http://www.theinquirer.net/inquirer/news/32415381/

October 8, 2015 A Few Good Reasons to upgrade from Win7 to Win10 by Lincoln Spector, http://windowssecrets.com/top-story/a-few-good-reasons-to-upgrade-from-win7-to-win10/ **3** | Page

October 12, 2015 Jim Tubb, Computer Consultant, presentation: "Introduction to Windows 10" <u>www.sonic.net/wscug/Introduction to Windows 10.pdf</u> Pdf file www.sonic.net/wscug/Introduction to Windows 10.pptx Power Point file.

October 15, 2015 Fred Langa. Best of Breed: Win's 10 hybrid backup system http://windowssecrets.com/top-story/best-of-breed-win10s-hybrid-backup-system/

Nov., 2015 Get started with Windows 10 – several topics. <u>http://windows.microsoft.com/en-us/windows-</u>10/getstarted-onedrive This link is for OneDrive, but there are several other topics to explore

December, 2015 Hands-on with Windows 10: Upgrading, installing and activating in the real world http://www.zdnet.com/article/hands-on-with-windows-10-upgrading-installing-and-activating-in-the-realworld/?tag=nl.e539&s\_cid=e539&ttag=e539&ftag=TRE17cfd61 This web site is updated as needed.

**December 15, 2015** Here is a link to a **article about a program to remove the Windows 10 nag screens**. It has a link to the page where the program is available. From Jim Tubb <a href="http://www.infoworld.com/article/2979572/microsoft-windows/gwx-stopper-an-easy-way-to-permanently-delete-get-windows-10-nagware-in-windows-7-and-81.html">http://www.infoworld.com/article/2979572/microsoft-windows/gwx-stopper-an-easy-way-to-permanently-delete-get-windows-10-nagware-in-windows-7-and-81.html</a>

January 1, 2016 Block Windows 10 with GWX Control Panel. Ask Leo! <u>https://askleo.com/21080</u>

**February 6, 2016 Windows 10 subscriptions aren 't happening, Here's Why.** Cnet, Mr.Ed Bott. <u>http://www.zdnet.com/article/windows-10-subscriptions-arent-happening-heres-</u> why/?tag=nl.e539&s\_cid=e539&ttag=e539&ftag=TRE17cfd61

**February 8, 2016 Getting to Know Windows 10** – Presentation by Mr. James Tubb, Computer consultant, <u>Handout.</u>

March 14, 2016 Avoiding Windows 10 – Article by Mr. James Tubb, Computer consultant. Handout.

July 11, 2016 See WSCUG newsletter for several articles on what's happening July 29, 2016.

**July 29, 2016** How to Upgrade to Windows 10: What you need to Know. Mark Hachman PCWorld Last day to upgrade. <u>http://www.pcworld.com/article/2928286/</u>

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