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Bridge Mobile now in App Store
Keith Vincent

On Wednesday, November 19th, I’ll present a webinar (Part 3 of a three-part suite) that offers a comprehensive look at Bridge Mobile. I’ll show how to use it with any CAT software (not just Eclipse), and I’ll take special care to point out how your clients can save and access the notes and marks that they made during realtime.

The Bridge Mobile app for iPad is now available in a basic, free version through the Apple App Store. A “Pro” version will be available soon, which offers additional features including cloud storage. Bridge Mobile apps for Android devices and Windows tablets are also in the works, and these also will be offered in both a basic, free version and a “Pro” version. I should mention that even the “Pro” version will be quite affordable. At $9.99 per month or $99.99 per year, how many lawyer’s cafe lattes is that?

The “browser” version of Bridge Mobile has been freely available for quite a while now, and it will continue to be offered for free. This is the version that works when you open your internet browser and type this address: connect.eclipsecat.com. The browser version works on iPads, iPods, iPhones, Android devices, Windows tablets, and on PCs, Macs, and Linux computers.

In situations where the internet is not available, one can use Connection Magic Local to support communication from Eclipse (or any other CAT software) to Bridge Mobile. If one is using the app version of Bridge Mobile, it automatically finds the address of your device on the local network. If one is using the browser version of Bridge Mobile, it’s just a matter of typing in the short string of numbers that Connection Magic Local displays as its IP address.

All this will be shown in the webinar, so I hope you will join me!
Microsoft has announced that several very inexpensive tablets running Windows 8.1 will be coming out soon. A PC maker called E FUN has a tablet called the Nextbook set to go on sale at Walmart prior to Thanksgiving which looks to be one of the first of the bunch. It may already be available at Walmart.com. The E FUN Nextbook tablet will also be available at Sam's Club in December.

While this is a tablet that does not have high-end specs to be sure, it looks to be a good value for $179. It will include a detachable keyboard and a 10-inch IPS display. It has the brand-new Intel Atom Z3735G 1.83 GHz quad-core processor, 1,280x280 touchscreen and 32GB of built-in storage. It does include only 1GB of RAM but so do iPads. You also get 802.11b/g/n Wi-Fi, Bluetooth 4.0, a micro HDMI port and microSD card slot, and front- and rear-facing low-resolution cameras. Other devices using the same Atom chip are claiming a 7-hour battery life, but E FUN is not saying what to expect on the Nextbook. My guess is that it will be comparable.

HP is also planning on offering a 7-inch Windows 8.1 Winbook for $99.99 in stores soon as well. Toshiba already has a 7-inch Windows 8.1 tablet for $119 called the Encore Mini. I need to say here that I find Windows to be pretty useless on a 7-inch display, so I am not recommending those. However, depending on the apps used, they may be just what some are looking for. The tablets with 10-inch displays and above are much more like it.

Expect to see more Windows tablets in this price range in the near future. If you are at Sam's or Walmart during the holiday shopping season, you may want to take a look at one of these and see what you think.
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Important dates! **Michael Starkman**, **Wil Wilcox**, and **Keith Vincent** offer a three-part webinar suite on three Wednesdays in October and November 2014.

Sign-up for the webinars is possible until shortly after Part 3 has been presented. As always, a recorded version of the webinars is made available in case you were unable to attend the “live” presentation. The idea is that you can take advantage of both the “live” and recorded presentations or, if joining toward the end of the series, watch the recording of the earlier classes and join in for the conclusion.

On **October 22nd**, **Michael Starkman** leads the way and focuses on cloud storage and useful apps that he’s discovered to make you more productive on your various devices, not just your PC.

On **November 5th**, **Wil Wilcox** takes reporters from before proceedings start to when they get back to home or office, with useful apps for your digital life. Also included, a preview of Windows 10.

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