



# The .NET Developer Network December 2007 - Meeting #9

XNA Xmas eXtravaganza  
With Pete McGann,  
Dave Bonner and Andy Sithers

# Agenda

- 6:00pm – Doors open
- 6:30pm – Introduction
- 6:45pm – XNA with Dave, Pete and Andy
- 7:45pm – Break
- 8:00pm – XNA with Dave, Pete and Andy
- 9:00pm – Close (off to the bar to drink and chat)

# Upcoming Events

- DotNetDevNet – Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2008
  - An Introduction To TDD with Craig Murphy
  - Automating The Build Process Using FinalBuilder with Craig Murphy
- DotNetDevNet – Monday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2008
  - A Tour Of Visual Studio 2008 And The .NET Framework 3.5 with Daniel Moth
- DotNetDevNet – February 2008 ?
  - Geek dinner

# Upcoming Events (continued)

- SQLBits II The SQL – Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2008
  - <http://www.sqlbits.com>
- MIX 2008 – 5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> March 2008
  - <http://visitmix.com>
- DDD Scotland – Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2008
  - <http://www.developerdayscotland.co.uk>
- Craggily Island – Irish Developer Event – 10<sup>th</sup> May 2008
  - <http://gamtug.spaces.live.com>

# News

- Visual Studio 2008 and .NET Framework 3.5
  - Released on 19 November 2008 to MSDN subscribers
- Silverlight 1.1 is dead – Long live Silverlight 2.0
  - Beta in Q1 2008 (includes "Go Live" license)
- ADO.NET Entity Framework
- Astoria December CTP
- ASP.NET 3.5 Extensions Preview

# Free Stuff

- Visual Studio 2008 and .NET Framework 3.5 Training Kit
  - <http://www.microsoft.com/downloads/details.aspx?FamilyID=8bdaa836-0bba-4393-94db-6c3c4a0c98a1&displaylang=en>
- MIX:UK 07 Sessions Online
  - <http://www.microsoft.com/uk/mix07/agenda.aspx>
- Free SOA For Dummies book
  - <https://www-306.ibm.com/software/uk/itsolutions/flexible/soa/register.html>

# Surveys

- Geek Dinner
- Future Meetings
  - Email in your subjects ASAP

# Competition

- How many emails did it take to organise this meeting ?

# XNA

Dave Bonner  
Andy Sithers  
Pete McGann

# Links

- Dave Bonner
  - <http://www.darkomengames.co.uk>
  - <http://www.darkomengames.co.uk/octanex.zip>