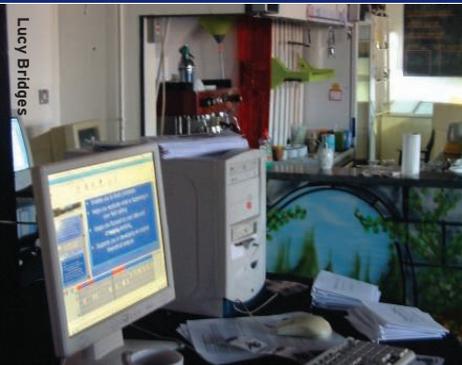


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NEW MANCHESTER CAFE USES FREE SOFTWARE

The newly established Manchester Free Software group was among the more than 500 teams from all over the world to host an event on Software Freedom Day held on September 20. LTSP cluster computers impressed the nearly 30 visitors who stopped by the Marbella Cafe at the regenerated Northern Quarter for coffee and a chat. Plenty of information sheets, CDs, badges, and stickers were distributed. Organization team member Lucy Bridges said, "Best of all, there's now a cafe in town using free software to provide free internet access (and wireless for those with laptops) and serving wonderful food."

<http://manchester.fsuk.org/>
<http://marbellacupcakes.com/>
<http://softwarefreedomday.org/>

HOW DOES CODE DREAM?

In mid-September, the organizers of the 2008 Píksel Festival for free and open source audiovisual hardware, software, and art in Bergen, Norway, closed their reviewing process for participating projects. From December 4 through 7, participants will have the chance to "examine the other side of code, an alternative side to a hard-coded reality of work and play," through an exhibition, live events, seminars, presentations, and workshops featuring the topic "How does code dream? What are the dreams of code?"

Part of the program will be a 12-hour-session dubbed "real.co.[de][re]," in which the ambivalent nature of code will be explored. On one hand, code is real, in the way "the world as given is coded"; on the other hand,

code "has strong effects on the real, constructing the world through control, prediction, and description."

Expect to witness "life coding, paranoia practice, pornographic coding, data forensics, steganographic psychogeography, biologic hacking, or EM scrying."

December 7, from midnight to dawn, will be "a night for writers, sorcerers, magicians, bots, picadors, psychonauts, sex texters, scientists, coders, poets, and intelligent agents" to explore the nature of abstract code as an art form "whose results can be invisible," "implementing different layers of action at the same time."

<http://piksel.no/>
<http://1010.co.uk/org/piksel2008.html>
<http://xname.cc/abstractcode>

FREEDOM NOT FEAR

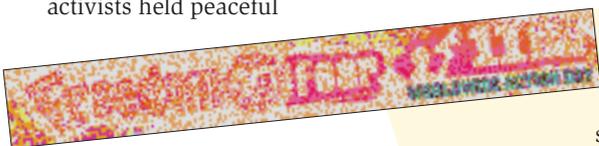
On October 11, a broad, world-wide movement of organizations and activists held peaceful

pean capitals (Dublin, London, The Hague, Brussels, Paris, Luxembourg, Berlin, Vienna, Prague, Bratislava, Sofia, Budapest, Skopje, Belgrade, Rome, Copenhagen, Helsinki, and Stockholm), Zurich (Switzerland), Buenos Aires (Argentina), Manta (Ecuador), and Washington, the motto being "Freedom not fear 2008."

<http://www.vorratsdatenspeicherung.de/content/view/242/144/lang/en/>

protests against increasing electronic registration and mass surveillance by both governments and privately held businesses.

Protest marches, parties, and other actions were planned in most Euro-



CELEBRATING LINUX IN KANNADA

Almost 150 participants took the opportunity to learn more about using Linux in their native language of Kannada at the GNU/Linux Habba in Mysore, Karnataka,



South India, on September 21. The festival ("habba" means "festival" in Kannada) was hosted by the University of Mysore's department of physics and featured an installation session, in addition to walk-throughs on general desktop usage, graphics and DTP software, edutainment and games, and hardware issues.

Kannada is a member of the Dravidian language family and is spoken by about 38 million native speakers, predominantly in the Indian state of Karnataka.

<http://habba.in/>
http://dev.sampada.net/GNU_Linux_Habba/September-2008/time_sheet