

# The Developers Group Meeting

first floor of the Theodore Bullfrog pub (behind Charing Cross station)  
28 John Adam Street, Charing Cross, London WC2N 6HL  
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on Wednesday March 14th 11.30 - 5.30  
with leader Jason Chapman

## Agenda

11:30 Registration (with tea, coffee and biscuits, if you're early enough). You may want to buy your lunch at the bar downstairs, which they will prepare and bring upstairs for you when the kitchen opens at midday ([click here for sample menu](#)).

12:00 **Welcome, News and Interactive Discussion - let's talk about:**

- The latest in .NET, Delphi, mobile development, etc,
- Your programming problems, questions, solutions; your latest technical discoveries.
- Your favourite - and most hated - tools; the things you want to know more about.
- Your questions/solutions on what hardware/software to choose.
- and anything else that's relevant to the group.

1:00 **NoSQL Databases - Yan Cui**

NoSql databases have been gathering both momentum and popularity over the past decade and are now widely used in high-scale scenarios such as social networking (e.g. Twitter, Facebook) and online gaming (e.g. Zynga, iwi, Wooga), helping developers face the big data challenge without breaking the bank! This session looks at the different types of NoSql databases and their relative trade-offs before a walkthrough on how to build a simple web application using a NoSql database.

2:15 Brief break for tea/coffee and calories

2:30 **Orchard CMS - Sean Farrow**

Orchard is a new open source Web CMS that puts a lot of emphasis on extensibility. Firstly, Sean demonstrates how the system works, how modules can be written and integrated etc. Then (if all goes to plan) Sean will have finished a website for a company who have offered to come and give us a commercial spin on the product, deployment etc!

3:45 Brief break for tea/coffee and calories

4:00 **OS Getamap - A Sneak Peek Under the Bonnet - Mark Mann**

A tour of the Ordnance Survey getamap application released last year with a view to how EMC built it. Featuring the new VectorMap map style, POIs, routes, elevation data, user-generated-content, differing map projections, Garmin integration - it's a fully packed web application. Mark sheds some light on the architectural considerations and decisions made throughout the development.

5:25 We have to vacate the room but can adjourn to the pub downstairs for food, drink and more talk.



Please book your place as soon as possible by **contacting us at [joanna@richplum.co.uk](mailto:joanna@richplum.co.uk)**, and no later than Thursday March 8th. Attendance is free to members of the DG and VBUG, £25 + VAT to guests.



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