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For locals, September is the favorite time of year. Based on recent local tech buzz, it sure feels like we're on the other side of summer. Read, below, about Chris Risley's plan to open a Bastille office in Santa Cruz, Etsy's ongoing support for local sellers, a social accelerator pilot program, an ag-tech upstart, and more. And, though headquartered in SF, the well-funded startup, Eaze, has just surfed their services into town. Start reading...

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Top Stories:



- Chris Risley, local entrepreneur, VC, and angel investor, is now also CEO at IoT security company, Bastille.

And, [Bastille plans to open a Santa Cruz Office.](#)

- Dubbed "the Uber of Pot," Eaze, the medical marijuana distributing startup based in San Francisco (with \$11.5M in VC funding) [expands their services to Santa Cruz.](#)

- Graham Ashcraft from Etsy's seller development team in New York will speak in Santa Cruz on "How to Grow Your Etsy Business" [at the September 9 Etsy Meetup.](#)

- Santa Cruz social accelerator will launch a [3-month pilot program for startups focused on critical social and environmental issues](#) in Santa Cruz County.

- Some of the game industry's most talented game designers are making the leap from development to academia. [What is the attraction for veteran developers, including Brenda Romero and John Romero,](#) directors of the MS program in Games & Playable Media at UCSC?

- An upstart, home-grown ag-tech company has its product out working



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farmland in the Salinas Valley with plans to broaden its product line in the next couple of months. [Learn more...](#)



- Did you miss the September Santa Cruz New Tech Meetup? [Here's the buzz...](#)

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Events

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- Wed Sep 9, 6pm: [Santa Cruz Etsy Meetup](#) at Santa Cruz Bible Church, 440 Frederick St.
- Sat Sep 12, 10am: [Santa Cruz Web Developers Meetup](#) at NextSpace.
- Tue Sep 15, 6pm: [Design Santa Cruz Meetup](#) at NextSpace.
- Wed Sep 16, 5pm: [Santa Cruz Women's Javascript/FrontEnd](#)



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[Development Meetup](#) at Looker.

- Wed Sep 16, 6:30pm: [Santa Cruz Bitcoin & Crypto-currency Meetup](#) at NextSpace.
- Fri Sep 18, 5-9pm: [Choose Santa Cruz \(EDO\) Popup](#) at Cosmic.
- Sun Sep 20, 12noon-4pm: [National Drive Electric Day](#), Parking lot along 41st Ave at Capitola Mall.
- Wed Sep 23, 6pm: [Santa Cruz WordPress Meetup](#) at Cruzio.
- Wed Sep 23, 6:30pm: [Santa Cruz County Ag-Tech Meetup](#) at Digital NEST.

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