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Namzak poised to revolutionize e-collaboration

"The two biggest technological trends of the last 10 years—the Internet and mobile phones—are now converging," says Dr. T.C. Nicholas Graham, VP of Research and Development and founder of Namzak Labs Inc. (Canada), operating in partnership with Tokyo-based Namzak Japan Inc., a division of Tri-core International Inc.

Dr. Graham, an Associate Professor at Queen's University, presented a seminar on convergence in fixed and mobile collaboration and communication at the Embassy of Canada in Tokyo early August 2006. Namzak's newly released *Arrowfone* and *Arrowfone/PC* products are set to enable companies and their employees to work smoothly and effectively even when employees are on the move.

"We're beginning to see a wide range of IP-based services that allow people to bridge time and space. Some such services already exist, but they are patchwork and don't necessarily work together. Integrated solutions are missing," says Dr. Graham. "*Arrowfone* and *Arrowfone/PC* bring the different parts together, allowing us to collaborate from a distance and allowing us to do so in a way that is highly secure, easy-to-use and robust."

Arrowfone/PC allows telecommuting employees to use their *Arrowfone* cellular phones to communicate with employees on computers using Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) technology. *Arrowfone* and *Arrowfone/PC* clients are connected to a "directory"

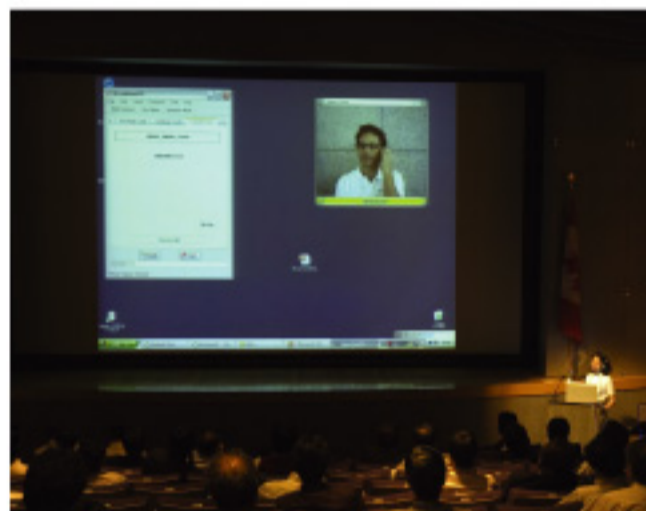
server, allowing calls to be made in a peer-to-peer fashion between the cellular phones and computers, between cellular phones, and between computers. A single server is able to handle up to 20,000 mobile terminals and a server farm can handle a virtually unlimited number of mobile terminals.

"At Namzak Labs, we're working to fill the gap between technology and the way people will want to work in order for collaboration tools to be successful," says Dr. Graham. Namzak's flagship product, *WebArrow*, is an example of such collaborative tools.

WebArrow is a product-line of remote collaboration tools that includes web conferencing, a remote help-desk and the ability to integrate the tools with third-party products while being highly secure, reliable, easy-to-use and easy-to-integrate.

One feature of the product-line is its desktop sharing capability, where one person can share his or her applications with others as the applications are running. The other participants—the viewers—can see the sharer's desktop on their own PC screens in a separate window and can see what the sharer is doing in real time. The viewers can even interact with the contents in that window, such as creating new documents or presentations.

WebArrow also offers secure VoIP teleconferencing, file sharing and chat sessions. "Unlike free VoIP services, *WebArrow's* VoIP is secure, allowing you to



A live conversation between *Arrowfone* and *Arrowfone/PC* users at the Namzak Labs seminar.

keep your business secrets to yourselves," says Dr. Graham. "Even our chat is encrypted."

Namzak Labs then gave a live demonstration of how *Arrowfone* and *Arrowfone/PC* works. An operator, using her laptop located in the lecture theatre in the basement of the embassy, telephoned two employees located on the embassy's main floor. Through the combination of a web camera and *Arrowfone/PC*, the audience was able to see and hear their conversations.

"Mobility is a part of life for workers in the modern world here in Japan and in other parts of the world," says Dr. Graham. "*Arrowfone* and *Arrowfone/PC* will allow us to fulfill the dream of 'anytime, anywhere' communications."

Summer of CCCJ events

The CCCJ hosted a record six events in one month this past June. BC Minister of Economic Trade and Development Colin Hansen kicked off our guest speaker luncheon series, followed by the Honourable Raymond Bachand (Québec Minister of Economic Trade and Development) and Ontario Premier Dalton McGuinty (accompanied by Ontario Minister of Economic Trade and Development Joe Cordiano).

In between the luncheons, CCCJ members enjoyed the Joint Chamber Summer Networking Cocktail, the CCCJ Golf Tournament and the 25th Annual General Meeting and sushi happy hour.

The CCCJ's summer events slate continued with Canada Day in the Park where Canadians and friends of Canada gathered to celebrate Canada's 139th birthday in Yoyogi Park. To beat the Tokyo heat, the CCCJ also hosted drop-in summer wine happy hour events at the office.

H.E. Ambassador Joseph Caron will launch the CCCJ's autumn events calendar on September 27 (see page 4 for details). Keep up-to-date on upcoming CCCJ events by visiting www.cccj.or.jp. We look forward to seeing you at a future event!



CCCJ members enjoy a drop-in summer wine happy hour at the CCCJ office.

2006 CCCJ Golf Cup recap

By Neil Moody

The sixth annual CCCJ Cup proved to be a test of weather preparedness and determination as the rainy season came early and dampened the grounds but not the spirits of those attending.

Arriving at the Canadian embassy promptly at 6:30 a.m. to board the bus, provided courtesy of the embassy, golf committee chairman Toru (Ted) Hirano voiced concern that the weather would cause the day to be postponed. Briefly looking to the weather gods for a sign, those taking the bus then boarded for the leisurely 50-minute drive.

Held at the friendly course of Kiminomori Golf Club in Chiba, golfers upon arrival received complimentary Titleist golf balls and the rules of the day. "I've never played in this kind of weather before. Can we play in this [weather]?" defending champion Goh Sugita inquired as he tugged on his cap.

The group discussed whether they should continue in the downpour or soft pedal back to Tokyo and try another date. After consulting with attending guest pro Todd Baker, a Canadian PGA instructor and chief instructor at the Jack Nicklaus Golf Academy in Tokyo, who responded, "Golf is also a challenge of the elements, and you have traveled this far, of course let's play," the decision was easy, and the day began with the traditional group photo.

With the downpour showing no signs of letting up, the lead foursome that included Baker and Andrew Nemeč (a student of Todd's) led off with impressive drives, setting the standard for future tournaments.

Despite the conditions, the group of sixteen competed hard for the array of prizes that were awarded at the wrap-up party that featured freshly made soba, sashimi and cold beverages.

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