

# Mozilla Firefox News and Opera Release

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- [2019 Add-ons Community Meetup in London](#) [3]

At the end of October, the Firefox add-ons team hosted a day-long meetup with a group of privacy extension developers as part of the Mozilla Festival in London, UK. With 2019 drawing to a close, this meetup provided an excellent opportunity to hear feedback from developers involved in the Recommended Extensions program and to get input about some of our plans for 2020.

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We recently announced that Firefox Preview, Mozilla's next generation browser for Android built on GeckoView, will support extensions through the WebExtensions API. Members of the Android engineering team will build select APIs needed to initially support a small set of Recommended Extensions.

The group discussed a wishlist of features for extensions on Android, including support for page actions and browser actions, history search, and the ability to manipulate context menus. These suggestions will be considered as work on Firefox Preview moves forward.

- [Here's why pop culture and passwords don't mix](#) [4]

Were they on a break or not?! For nearly a decade, Ross and Rachel's on-screen relationship was a point of contention for millions of viewers around the world. It's no surprise to learn

that years after the series finale, they are not only TV's most beloved characters, but their names are popular account passwords, too. That's right. More than thousands of internet users love Rachel, Monica, Joey, Chandler, Ross and Phoebe enough to use their names as passwords.

Wondering about trends, we turned to haveibeenpwned (HIBP) ? the website that aggregates data from known breaches ? for pop culture favorites. (Firefox Monitor draws from HIBP to help people learn if they've been caught up in a data breach and take steps to protect themselves.)

We couldn't access any data files, browse lists of passwords or link passwords to logins ? that info is inaccessible and kept secure ? but we could look up random bad passwords manually on HIBP. It turns out, quite a lot of sitcom and sports fans are using pop culture passwords for their accounts. These bad passwords are not only weak, they have also been breached. Here's what we spotted.

- [Adding CodeQL and clang to our Bug Bounty Program \[5\]](#)

One of the ways we're supporting this initiative at Mozilla is through renewed investment in automation and static analysis. We think the broader Mozilla community can participate, and we want to encourage it. Today, we're announcing a new area of our bug bounty program to encourage the community to use the CodeQL tools. We are exploring the use of CodeQL tools and will award a bounty ? above and beyond our existing bounties ? for static analysis work that identifies present or historical flaws in Firefox.

- [Opera Browser 65 Released with Redesigned Address Bar \[6\]](#)

Opera web browser 65 was released a day ago with redesigned address bar, improved tracker blocker, and new bookmarks panel.

- [Opera 65 Launches with Much-Improved Tracker Blocker, Redesigned Address Bar \[7\]](#)

Opera Software announced today the general availability of the Opera 65 web browser for desktop platforms, including GNU/Linux, macOS, and Windows, a release that brings a bunch of enhancements and new features.

Based on Chromium 78, the Opera 65 web browser is here and it's better than ever, bringing a much-improved tracker blocker that finally lets you see which trackers are tracking your digital footprint while you're surfing the Internet.

Based on the EasyPrivacy Tracking Protection list, Opera's tracker blocker feature will now

show you all the trackers following you and let you take action against them if you believe some aren't good for you.

By default, the tracker blocker will automatically block known tracker scripts to speed up the loading of pages and keep your online activity private. In Opera 65, the built-in tracker blocker can be toggled on and off per site too.

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