

This document has been compiled from a series of emails and describes Gmail an online email service and storage site, Picasa for making web albums, Google's Web design page for making your own web-site, and Pando for exchanging large files, Links are included so you can read more and setup your own.

A Gmail account is required to use Picasa or Google's Web design page. Its all free and easy to use.

Gmail sent you an invitation which I initiated. Sign up and sign in. Gmail is a free email service and has storage up to 2 gig. Free. When you register consider that the name of your account will be used in other features such as you website name or Picasa album site address.

If you would like an invitation for a Gmail account contact me at admin@smug1.com.

Larry Watters

Your Gmail account will work right on the web.

(By the way, you can have Gmail download email messages directly to your compute mail program or forwarded to another account.

There are good instructions on the Gmail site.

1. **Log in** to your Gmail account.
2. **Click Settings** at the top of any Gmail page.
3. **Click Forwarding and POP** along the top of the Mail Settings box.

Once you get this far you will choose either Forwarding or POP Download.

If you are using a web-based mail program (like .mac or excite) choose forwarding and follow those steps.

If you use Apple Mail or Entourage or another mail program choose POP Download. There are links with more information included in that section. **Click Configuration instructions** for specifics on your email program.

When you think you are done it is a little confusing since you have to **save changes to your email program and to your Google Gmail account settings.**)

Thanks for telling me about **Picasa** for putting photo albums on the web, Jim.

It is neat and now available for the Mac OS X 10.4. I can upload directly from iPhoto. It is easy to use and looks great once it is on site.

It's called Picasa Web Albums. They just released the uploader for Mac. It has two versions:

One is a stand alone uploader and the other is a plugin for iPhoto which you can use directly from iPhoto to upload your pictures/albums to your Google web album. The web album can be made public or you can keep them private.

Here's the link to download the files:

<http://picasaweb.google.com/home>

Click on the learn more in the lower left and the page that comes up tells you how to sign up for a web album using your Google account.

My Picasa albums are at: <http://picasaweb.google.com/tromp.didiotie>

There are 250 MBs available.

Have you tried out Google's web design page? It is called **Page Creator**.

<http://pages.google.com>

It is an online website production program from Google and I have tried it out too. Again, easy to use. It is a little limited but for a quick simple product it is great. It is also FREE. It lets you publish your web stuff right to your Google account.

(The site says you also need the free browser FireFox 1.0, or higher (<http://www.mozilla.com/firefox/>) with JavaScript and cookies enabled.

I set mine up using Camino 1.0.2. Camino is free and easy to use too.

Get it at <http://www.caminobrowser.org/>).

My trial website is at: <http://tromp.didiotie.googlepages.com/home>

I invited myself to make a new account this morning since I didn't what my name out on the internet. Although lacking the apostrophe in the French, (and I added a dot) my address means "too much baloney" when freely translated.

Speaking of sharing, there is a new program, **Pando**, that works on both Macs and PCs for sharing large files too big to be emailed. I've exchange a few programs with Jerry and another SMUG club member. The file sizes were 6.6 - 9.3 MB. It only took about three minutes for the file exchange.

Jerry sent an application and a CHM file. Betty sent an audio file. Of course I sent photo files. Everyone was able to open and use each type of file.

You've got see this? You can send files up to 1 gig. We'll have to try it.

<http://www.pando.com/beta/what>

They have both mac (OS X 10.3.9 and later) and PC versions there.

DESCRIPTION

Pando lets you send and receive files and folders up to 1GB with your existing email account.

- * **Bypasses email attachment limits**
- * **Accelerates downloads of huge files and folders**
- * **Uses your existing email address**
- * **Drag, drop and send entire folders**
- * **Easy: forget FTP + no need to compress**
- * **Sends small .pando attachments, never clogs your inbox**
- * **Opens .pando attachments emailed to you**

- * **No more registration. Just click and send!**
- * **New HTML emails let you preview packages before downloading**
- * **Much faster transfer connection times**
- * **Virus scanner integration – pick the program you want to scan incoming files**
- * **Expired package management – Pando searches for peers, you decide whether to download**
- * **Enhanced email security - emails encrypted between Pando client and server**

So far it seems legit. Haven't gotten any unsolicited email.

Just waiting for you to install it and we can exchange lots of pictures.