# Meeting Notes for 9/8/2025

These are notes, announcements, and other information discussed at the monthly meeting of the Capital Area SQL Server User Group:

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## Speakers!

Looking for speakers for next year. Lots of great ideas recently, but need to become presentations. Would prefer local/regional to non-local. Interested? Know anyone?

We need Feb 2026, and April 2026+

## CASSUG Special Events

These are casual events for networking and discussing any career/data-related topics outside of the usual meeting format. Please RSVP on [Meetup](https://www.meetup.com/capital-area-sql-server-user-group/) for all events.

**Cookout**: Done! It was yummy, hot, and fun! Thanks!!!

**Holiday Party**: Friday, December 12th at 5:30pm at [Nine Pin Cider Works](https://www.ninepincider.com/)

We’ll have a private room available for us. The user group will provide some light snacks/food. Feel free to order any additional drinks or food while here.

PLEASE RSVP here: <https://www.meetup.com/capital-area-sql-server-user-group/events/308328354>

## CASSUG Upcoming Meetings

**October**: Monday October 13th at 5:30pm at the Rensselaer County Chamber of Commerce

*Taiob Ali* presents: SQL Server Detective: Investigating Logs and Traces for Optimal Performance: RSVP here: <https://www.meetup.com/capital-area-sql-server-user-group/events/304541098>

**November**: Monday November 10th at 5:30pm at the Rensselaer County Chamber of Commerce

*Ken Schwartz* presents: An introduction to Query Store by Someone Who is no Expert on Query Store: RSVP here: <https://www.meetup.com/capital-area-sql-server-user-group/events/307069442>

## Upcoming Free Virtual Events/User Groups

**Database Professionals Virtual User Group**: <https://www.meetup.com/dbavug>

Frequent presentations on Wednesdays. Topics coming up include , database watcher, Cosmos DB, Azure security, and Powershell

**Data and AI Architecture Virtual Group**: <https://www.meetup.com/data-architecture-virtual-group>

No meetings currently scheduled

**Retro Data:** Events focused on database fundamentals: First ever conference: September 20th

<https://retrodata.live/>

<https://www.meetup.com/retro-data/>

**Cloud Data Driven User Group**: <https://www.meetup.com/cloud-data-driven>

Frequent presentations on Thursdays. Topics coming up include Microsoft Fabric, DAX, Indexing for beginners, AlloyDB, and PowerQuery

**Future Data Driven Summit:** September 24th: <https://datadrivencommunity.com/FutureDataDriven2025.html>

Free online conference with many sessions on a wide variety of data-related topics.

**Data TGIF**: <https://www.meetup.com/data-tgif/>

Presentations on the 3rd Friday of the month at 5:00pm CET (11am EDT)

No meetings currently scheduled

**SQL Friday**: <https://www.meetup.com/sql-friday>

Periodic presentations at 12:00pm CET on Fridays (6:00am EDT)

No meetings currently scheduled

**Data Bash 2025**: [DATA BASH – The Fun Data Community Conference](https://databash.live/)

September 27th, livestreamed to Youtube

**Data Popkorn Krunch 2025**: [Call for Speakers: DataPopkorn Krunch Mini-Conference](https://datapopkorn.com/krunch/)

Half-day mini-conference with short sessions. Very interactive! 100% community.

## Upcoming Free In-Person Events

**SQL Saturday Boston**: September 27th:

More info and register here: <https://sqlsaturday.com/2025-09-27-sqlsaturday1119/>

**SQL Saturday Toronto**: October 25th:

More info and register here: <https://sqlsaturday.com/2025-10-25-sqlsaturday1131/>

**Capital District AWS Group**: <https://www.meetup.com/ny-capital-district-aws-user-group>

No meetings currently scheduled

**DevOps Days**: <https://devopsdays.org/>

Philadelphia: September 30th - October 1st: <https://devopsdays.org/events/2025-philadelphia>

Montreal: October 14-15: <https://devopsdays.org/events/2025-montreal/welcome/>

## Upcoming Paid In-Person Events

These are excellent opportunities to network, learn, and experience deep-dives into many data-related topics.

PASS Data Community Summit: <https://passdatacommunitysummit.com/>

Seattle, WA, November 17th – November 21st

***Scholarships are available:***

<https://passdatacommunitysummit.com/about/pass-summit-scholarship/>

Includes registration AND travel/hotel!

## More Events

Additional events are posted here as they are announced:

<https://sqlsaturday.com/>

<https://dataevents.co/microsoft>

Microsoft CFS: <https://www.communitydays.org/calls>

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