Macaw Startup Sheet

Documentation and software installation files are in the Documents folder of the system control tablet, accessible via the Docs icon on the tablet's Home screen and via USB to a PC. This is a complex system, and reading some of the Macaw Users Guide first is very beneficial.

The HDMI style connector on the camera is NOT for a display. It is a system connector with wiring that is incompatible with display wiring. Do NOT plug a display into this connector.

Turn the camera on the first time by applying 12V power, preferably with the power supply provided with the unit.

If the system is healthy, the LED on the connections end of the unit will turn green in about 30 seconds. At this point, the unit can take pictures and respond to the tablet.

Activate the tablet, point the Wi-Fi at macaw00XX, and use the Silk Browser on the Home screen to open the camera bookmark. There should already be a bookmark, but if not, the camera IP address will be 192.168.1XX.1.

The browser will show the MCAW control page with useful buttons for controlling the camera. There are many help files.

Take a few pictures using the button on the camera, or the button on the tablet.

You may view the results using the tablet, or, after files are transferred to a PC, using PixelWrench for Macaw or other viewing software. The USB3 connection to the PC only works when the camera is powered OFF. The USB controller gets its power from the PC.

Done? Power down the camera by holding the picture taking switch until the light blinks rapidly. Release the button, wait till the LED turns orange, and remove the power. (The Linux operating system performs a shutdown during this time so that data integrity is preserved.)

The Macaw Users Guide and PixelWrench for Macaw help files have detailed operating instructions. There is also a webinar series located in the Documents folder of the system control tablet.

Thank you for purchasing the Macaw!