Starting the Program

To start eye-gaze tracking, first start the program. The first screen you will see will direct you what to do next.

First click the **See Preview** button, to begin the video stream.
A preview window will appear in the middle of the screen. It may display static, and you must also select the video capture device driver by clicking the Source button. The following dialog box will appear.

Select the correct Video Device and the correct Video Source. Capture devices may have different video sources, so select the one that will be used with the eye tracking system. Click Ok. Next Click the Format button. The following dialog box will appear.
Select the video format that is effective for your CPU speed. A larger image format will be slower, but more accurate. A smaller image will be faster, but less accurate. Choose the largest image format that allows reasonable speed. If everything is configured correctly, you will see an image like the following.

You should have already placed the helmet on your head, so you should see an image of your eye. Once your satisfied that you have a decent image of your eye, click **Continue** and the following dialog box will appear.

This dialog box asks you to take a snapshot of your eye as you look at the center of the screen. The offset from this center gaze will determine the gaze projection on the screen. When you are satisfied you have a good image of your eye, click **Continue** and the following screen will appear.
This dialog box asks you to click the center of your eye, and then click the edge of the iris. Click those two points in succession. This will mark the radius of the iris that will be searched for in the subsequent images. Once you're done, click **Ok** and another dialog box will appear.

This dialog box will stay open during the gaze tracking session. Use it to control the gaze tracking. When you feel ready, check the **Track Eye Gaze** box to start the tracking. Toggle this box to track or not. When gaze tracking is on, it will look like the following.
This screen shows the preview window, canny edge detected image, and the circle that the computer thinks is the iris overlaid on the canny edge image. Data is also displayed in the upper left. The little red dots are numbered and correspond to where the computer thinks the user is looking. The video preview will appear in the center and can be moved by the following menu options.

You can also change video configuration by using the following menu options.
If you need to, you can re-calibrate the system and start and stop tracking by using the following menu.

Here is another picture of the working system, with the gaze tracking toolbar moved off the screen.