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October 2004 Preview

Here is the tentative calendar of our Special Interest Group (SIG) meetings for October 2004. Please pencil these events on your calendar. As always, when doubtful of a SIG date, time, or location, confirm with one of the following:

- At www.miniapples.org
- The cognizant SIG Leader

Monday	October	4	Board of Directors meeting
Tuesday	October	5	OS X
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Members Helping Members

Need Help? Have a question the manual doesn't answer? Members Helping Members is a group of volunteers who have generously agreed to help. They are just a phone (or an e-mail) away. Please call only during the appropriate times, if you are a member, and own the software in question.

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Please call at reasonable hours, and ask if it is a convenient time for them. By the way, many of these volunteers can also be contacted on our BBS. We appreciate your cooperation.

If you would like to be a Members Helping Member volunteer, please send an e-mail message to John Pruski on our BBS, or call him at 952-938-2818, with your name, telephone number, contact hours, and the software or hardware areas you are willing to help others.

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No Miniapples Directors Meeting in June 2004

Need A Hood Man?

by Harry Lienke

Do you use your PowerBook in locations where the ambient light washes out the screen and makes it really hard to see your favorite picture or text? You really hate to increase the screen brightness much because that not only wears the battery down more quickly but also shortens the life of the bulb. If you happen to be riding in a car, you can put a sun screen such as the Axius Auto-Shade #80050 (about \$10 per pair at Wal-Mart) on the window to block some of the light but the PowerBook will probably still be hard to see.

Since we like to use our PowerBook while we are traveling in our minivan, we have purchased a lap tray on which to set the computer to keep the computer off our legs. My home-brew method for keeping the ambient light off the PowerBook screen was to build an enclosure for it. I used poster board and packaging tape to create a little building (two sides, a back, and a top) which was dimensioned to the width

and depth of the lap tray and the height of the PowerBook screen. The enclosure can be folded flat for storage and unfolded to enclose the PowerBook. The enclosure is inconvenient to store and clumsy to use so I kept looking for an alternate solution. Some time ago I saw an ad in one of the Mac magazines for a product manufactured by the Hoodman company. Just prior to this year's vacation I decided to order a unit and give it a try.

The Eclipse E2000-12 sun shade for our 12 inch PowerBook is a combination of black cloth and springy wire. In its carrying case, the Eclipse is 8" by 7" by 1.5" thick. When it is removed from the carrying case, it springs into a shape which fits right over the PowerBook screen. Three easy folds needing both hands flattens the Eclipse for return to its carrying case. You can't lose the carrying case while you are using the Eclipse because it fastens to the top of the Eclipse and hangs over the back of the PowerBook screen, helping to keep the Eclipse in

place.

I am quite pleased with our Eclipse. It does a very good job of sheltering the PowerBook screen from the ambient light. The sides of the Eclipse angle inward slightly so you look at the screen through a 7.5" wide by 5" high opening 4.5 inches from the screen. The cloth of the Eclipse is an opaque black that lets no light reach the screen from the sides. When we are finished with the Eclipse, it fits quite conveniently into a glovebox.

The Eclipse is available in sizes to fit many PowerBooks. The E2000-12 is available from Hoodman.com for \$28 plus shipping.

Hoodman also sells small hoods for the LCD screens of digital cameras, but that's a story someone else will have to tell.

There's a picture of the E2000-12 at <http://www.hoodmanusa.com/> in case you were wondering what it looks like...

Shareware Review: iClip

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by Harry Lienke

iClip is an OS X application that combines the capabilities of multiple OS X Finder clipboards, the Scrapbook of the older operating systems, and much more. You can store text, pictures, sounds, Internet locations, and file aliases in each of the "clipping bins" that iClip makes available. The clipping bins can be organized into sets so information you frequently access can be found quickly. All of this information is automatically stored on your hard drive so it is available every time you fire up your Mac until you decide you no longer need the data and clear the bin(s).

iClip should be launched at start-up so its clipping bins are on your desktop and its menu is available from the menu bar whenever you need it (iClip can be launched from the Dock if you prefer to operate that way). The iClip window which shows the clipping

bins remains in front of application windows so it is always available (see the accompanying screenshot). The iClip window can be collapsed, expanded, or hidden with a single click and shown with a command from the iClip menu. Clipping bins can be easily added to or removed from the iClip window as changes are needed.

iClip permits you to use "Copy" and "Paste" buttons located next to its bins or "drag and drop" to move data between your application, the OS X Clipboard, and iClip's clipping bins. The data may pass through or bypass the OS X clipboard as you wish. The multiple clipping bins provided by iClip make it easy to transfer multiple clippings from one application to another.

The data stored in a particular bin is represented by a snippet of the data to help identify it. Moving the cursor to one of the bins and pausing there

causes iClip to display the contents of the bin.

If you store file aliases in iClip's clipping bins, you can use iClip as a program launcher. Double-clicking on the file alias opens the aliased application or opens the aliased document in an appropriate application.

iClip is a very powerful addition to any Mac OS X desktop. iClip works very well and I have run up against no bugs in the program. Thus far I have not made extensive use of iClip, however, because the times I need its power seem to be few and far between.

iClip is available from the usual Mac software sites like Versiontracker and MacUpdate or from <http://inventive.us>. It requires Mac OS X version 10.2 or later. Cost of iClip is \$20.

[Image:072504_91727_0.png]

Norton Mac Utilities Days Are numbered

Submitted by Jim Nye

An article in the Mac World magazine announced that Norton utilities and parent company Symantec would be dropping future development of both Norton utilities and System works for the Mac.

Symantec will provide technical support by telephone for one year after the company stops selling the Utilities 8.0 and System Works 3.0, although Symantec will continue to sell both programs as long as there is customer demand. According to the company, they also plan to continue supporting the current version of OX 10.3 as well

as future updates to Panther.

Although Symantec will stop developing the system for Mac, they will continue development for Windows Systems on the security utilities including Norton Antivirus and Norton Personal Firewall)

The withdrawal of Norton from the Mac market has been a surprise because since 1989 Norton has been one of the premier Utilities for Macs. David Shayer, a software engineer who worked on previous versions of Norton Utilities noted, "They haven't made substantial changes to the software in years".

Mac users shouldn't despair about Norton exiting the Mac market. Fortunately, there are some good utilities to fill the gap including Disk Warrior 3.0, Miromat, Tech Tool 4.0 and Drive 10. Although, I must say this announcement left a bad taste in my mouth because I just purchased the Norton system for use on my imac.

This information has been taken from Philip Michael's article entitled "Utilities Shut Down" in the July 2004 issue of Mac World magazine.

Apple's Steve Jobs Begins Cancer Recovery

By MATTHEW FORDAHL
The Associated Press

SAN JOSE, Calif. - As Steve Jobs began his recovery from cancer surgery, the charismatic chief executive of Apple Computer Inc. and Pixar Animation Studios took care to reassure employees, friends and investors that he expects a full recovery.

Jobs sent an e-mail message Sunday announcing that his form of pancreatic cancer - an islet cell neuroendocrine tumor - is extremely rare and easily cured if diagnosed early.

This kind of cancer "represents about 1 percent of the total cases of pancreatic cancer diagnosed each year, and can be cured by surgical removal if diagnosed in time (mine was)," he wrote.

And, never one to miss an opportunity to pitch Apple products, he added a post-script about the company's big-screen laptop and new wireless networking device: "P.S.: I'm sending this from my hospital bed using my 17-inch PowerBook and an Airport Express."

Jobs said he would require no chemotherapy or radiation treatment, but will be off to recuperate during August and expects to return to work in September.

Meanwhile, Apple will be led by Timothy Cook, the company's execu-

tive vice president of worldwide sales and operations. Cook said the current management team has worked with Jobs for many years, and that experience will guide them through the next month.

Shares in Apple slipped 59 cents, or nearly 2 percent, to \$31.75 on the Nasdaq Stock Market.

Jobs, in his message, also was upbeat about the management team.

"While I'm out, I've asked Tim Cook to be responsible for Apple's day to day operations, so we shouldn't miss a beat. I'm sure I'll be calling some of you way too much in August, and I look forward to seeing you in September," he wrote.

Pixar will be led by president Ed Catmull will take day-to-day control until Jobs returns.

Apple's board is confident Cook can manage the company in Jobs' absence, said Bill Campbell, an Apple director, who expressed relief that the surgery went well.

"The surgery was hugely successful, and the prognosis is excellent," Campbell said. "We feel very relieved and optimistic about the future."

Jobs noted in his e-mail that a far more deadly - and common form - of pancreatic cancer is adenocarcinoma.

"I mention this because when one hears 'pancreatic cancer' (or Googles it), one immediately encounters this far more common and deadly form, which, thank God, is not what I had," he said in the message.

Surgery does cure the kind of tumor that Jobs had, and radiation treatments are rarely necessary as a follow-up, according to Dr. Jeffrey Norton, a specialist in gastrointestinal oncology and pancreas surgery at Stanford University Medical Center. "If you remove all of the tumor, there is a high probability the patient is cured," Norton told the San Jose Mercury News.

Jobs, 49, and friend Steve Wozniak founded Apple Computer in 1976, five years before IBM Corp. jumped into the personal computer market.

In 1984, the company released the Macintosh, which was the first commercially successful computer to have a graphical user interface that mimicked a physical desktop. It was eventually copied by IBM-clone computers, which became far more dominant.

A year later, Jobs left Apple following a struggle with the company's board. He cashed in some Apple stock and formed another computer company, NeXT.

But NeXT took too long to release its "mainframe on a desk," and once it was available in 1989, it was criticized

for its \$4,000 price. Within four years, NeXT abandoned the hardware market and announced it was focusing on operating system software.

By then, Apple was struggling and efforts to upgrade its operating system were going nowhere. In 1996, Apple bought NeXT. In 1997, Jobs was brought back as an interim chief executive. In 2000, "interim" was dropped from the title.

He made a splash in 1998 with the

News from maccentral.com

Intel to launch tri-mode Wi-Fi chipset

*By Stephen Lawson, IDG News Service
August 25, 2004 1:00 pm ET*

Fulfilling a long-time goal, Intel Corp. is set to introduce on Thursday its first chipset that supports all three current forms of Wi-Fi, according to sources familiar with the announcement.

With a chipset that includes IEEE 802.11a, b and g technology, a notebook PC can continue to connect to corporate wireless LANs without a hardware upgrade even if the enterprise migrates to a new infrastructure. Other vendors already offer so-called "tri-mode" chipsets. Early this year Intel introduced a combination 802.11b/g chipset, but it has yet to include all three technologies.

Intel spokeswoman Amy Martin declined to comment, but the company last week sent out an e-mail invitation to a Thursday morning webcast "to introduce its latest wireless technology for Intel Centrino notebooks." "It really will mark the time that Intel's caught up," said Mike Feibus, an analyst at TechKnowledge Strategies Inc., in Scottsdale, Ariz. Intel's size makes it less agile than smaller competitors such as Broadcom Corp., Atheros Communications Inc. and Texas Instruments Inc., which have had the chipsets for some time, some analysts said.

In addition, Intel is very careful because it has so much invested in the Centrino brand, said Linley Group analyst Bob Wheeler. "They are extremely rigorous in terms of testing, primarily for compatibility but also making sure that they are complying with all the appropriate specs," Wheeler said.

release of a revamped and stylish iMac, which was followed by new lines of laptops as well as professional-grade computers and servers. In 2001, Apple jumped into the digital music player business with its iPod, which is now the most popular.

And last year, Apple launched the iTunes Music Store, which allowed legal music downloads after Jobs persuaded music companies that his technology was secure.

The 802.11b and g technologies use radio spectrum around 2.4GHz to deliver data at a rate of 11Mbps (bits per second) and 54Mbps, respectively. The less common 802.11a variant, also with a 54Mbps rate, uses spectrum around 5GHz and can be used on more channels simultaneously. Also, there is less interference in the 5GHz band.

Apple introduced 802.11b networking technology to Mac users in 1999 with the first iBook model. Dubbed "AirPort," the technology quickly became a ubiquitous feature of Apple's CPU products. It was replaced in 2003 by "AirPort Extreme," which uses the faster 802.11g technology. Apple bypassed 802.11a networking all together in its own products, although it is supported by third-party manufacturers.

802.11a's 5GHz technology is likely to grow more popular as 802.11b and g networks get more heavily loaded with users, analysts said. The 2.4GHz technologies only allow for three channels to be used simultaneously. The number of channels on 802.11a varies by country but is generally more; it supports 24 in the U.S. That can make a difference in offices and crowded meeting rooms, Feibus said. Another emerging application for 802.11a is in wireless home entertainment systems.

Intel's Centrino marketing also should help drive adoption of tri-mode technology, said Will Strauss, principal analyst at Forward Concepts Co., in Tempe, Arizona. But he believes most users, especially consumers, are happy with 802.11b/g for now. Demand for 802.11a will not suddenly soar, he said.

"We will see increasing demand ... but it's not going to be a hockey stick,"

It also helped that Jobs also owned an entertainment company. Jobs paid \$10 million to buy a special effects computer business from filmmaker George Lucas. The company, which eventually became Pixar, has become hugely successful after releasing "Toy Story," "Finding Nemo" and "Monsters, Inc."

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Strauss said.

Another analyst said tri-mode has a big future, at least in the business market.

"We'll see the enterprise products go to a/b/g probably almost exclusively by the first or second quarter of next year, if not sooner than that," said Abner Germanow, at IDC, in Framingham, Mass.

Peter Cohen contributed information used in this article.

IntelliScanner Collector upgraded with new features

*By Peter Cohen pcohen@maccentral.com
August 25, 2004 12:25 pm ET*

Intelli Innovations on Wednesday introduced its second-generation IntelliScanner Collector, an updated version of the company's personal barcode reader for Mac and Windows. The new version features plug-and-play USB support requiring no additional drivers, a new ergonomic design, support for 13-digit ISBN barcodes, Mac and PC support in one box, a detachable 7-foot USB cable with integrated security lock, compliance with Global Trade Identification Numbers (GTINs) and other new barcode technologies, updated Collection 1.5 software, and compatibility with pre-printed IntelliScanner Asset Tags. The new IntelliScanner Collector costs US\$199 and requires Mac OS X v10.2 or higher.

Apple updates Hot Deals site

By MacCentral Staff

August 25, 2004 11:50 am ET

Apple's Hot Deals Web site features links to Mac hardware and software resellers that make special offers to their customers. The site has been

updated with new offers. Apple's own Apple Store now offers inMotion's iM3 portable audio system for iPods and iPod minis. Sweetwater is offering Ableton Live 4, BIAS Soundsoap and more. Amazon offers Roxio Toast 6 Titanium, ProView PL456S 14-inch LCD flat panel display and more. Publishing Perfection has Curious Labs Poser Artist, Adobe Creative Suite Standard Upgrade and more. And Ramjet has the 1GB DDR User Slot Module upgrade for iMac G4s, 1GB DDR kit for eMac 1.25GHz and more.

Mailsmith update fixes problems, adds refinements

*By Peter Cohen pcohen@maccentral.com
August 25, 2004 11:15 am ET*

Bare Bones Software on Wednesday released Mailsmith 2.1.3, an update to their e-mail client for Mac OS X. The new version fixes reported problems and adds minor interface enhancements. It also includes SpamSieve 2.2, the latest version of the spam filtering software that's included with Mailsmith.

Small Tree offers fiber optic Gigabit Ethernet cards

*By Peter Cohen pcohen@maccentral.com
August 25, 2004 10:30 am ET*

Small Tree Communications on Wednesday announced the availability of fiber optic-based Gigabit Ethernet cards for Power Mac and Xserve G5 systems. The cards are paired with Small Tree's drivers and feature one, two or four ports. Small Tree claims to be the only company to offer multiport fiber optic Ethernet adapters for the Mac.

The cards are Intel Pro/1000 Server Adapters, and are 133MHz, 64-bit capable PCI-X cards. They single and two-port cards work with Power Mac G4 and G5 systems, as well as Xserves; the four-port card works with G5s and Xserve G4s. The cards use multimode optical fiber that can span up to 550 meters without repeaters and work with any existing fiber infrastructure. Mac OS X v10.2.7 or higher is required. The single-port card costs US\$649 and the two-port card costs \$999 -- pricing on the four-port card hasn't been announced. The single and two-port cards are expected to begin shipping later this month; the four-port card will ship in the fourth quarter of 2004.

AssistiveWare to show off new wares at Apple Expo

*By Peter Cohen pcohen@maccentral.com
August 25, 2004 9:55 am ET*

Amsterdam-based Mac assistive software developer AssistiveWare (formerly known as Niemeijer Consult) has announced plans to show upcoming releases of its software at next week's Apple Expo. New versions of KeyStrokes, the company's on-screen keyboard, SwitchXS, its switch access solution, and a new multilingual speech product called Proloquo will all be on display. The new versions and the new product are expected to be released in October.

The new release of KeyStrokes -- a free update for registered users -- gains better word prediction that its developer says reduces typing efforts a further 10 to 45 percent. It also adds German, Italian and Norwegian localizations. SwitchXS's update, also free for registered users, adds a scan panel editor to let users create custom scan panels; Japanese localization has been added. Proloquo is a multipurpose speech application that provides text to speech features including echo text, the ability to act as a speech engine for SwitchXS and KeyStrokes, or a communication solution for speech-impaired users. It works with Apple's built-in voices and Acapela Multimedia voices, optimized for foreign languages. Apple Expo runs August 31 - September 4 in Paris, France.

MacJournals.com, Playlist on Your Mac Life

*By MacCentral Staff
August 25, 2004 9:45 am ET*

Tonight's Your Mac Life QuickTime radio show features MDJ publisher Matt Deatherage, who will talk about next week's Apple Expo in Paris, RealNetworks and delays in G5 deliveries. Playlist is a new digital music magazine published by Mac Publishing LLC, the same company that publishes Macworld and MacCentral. Playlist's online editor Chris Breen will also be on the show to talk about what this new publication brings to the table. And MacCentral and Macworld's Peter Cohen will be on to talk about the latest developments in Mac gaming. You can listen in on an audio only feed or an audio/video feed when the show is

Webcast live tonight from 5:30PM to 8:00PM Pacific Time, 8:30PM to 11:00PM Eastern.

Sorenson Squeeze 4 ships

*By Peter Cohen pcohen@maccentral.com
August 25, 2004 8:55 am ET*

Sorenson Media on Wednesday announced the release of Sorenson Squeeze 4 for Mac and Windows, the latest major upgrade to its line of video compression applications. The line includes Sorenson Squeeze 4 Compression Suite, Sorenson Squeeze 4 for Macromedia Flash MX and Sorenson Squeeze 4 for MPEG-4. First announced in June, Sorenson Squeeze 4 adds support for High Definition (HD) video and the addition of the Sorenson AVC Pro codec (also called H.264), now available in Sorenson Squeeze 4 Compression Suite and Sorenson Squeeze 4 for MPEG-4. A new customizable interface and a batch processing feature have also been added, along with a new video zoom tool, a preview slider with in/out markers and shortcut keys.

The new version is initially available as an electronic download from the Sorenson Web site. The boxed version will ship within three weeks. Sorenson Squeeze 4 Compression Suite costs US\$449; Sorenson Squeeze 4 for Macromedia Flash MX costs \$119; Sorenson Squeeze 4 for MPEG-4 costs \$199. Upgrades from previous versions are also available. The Sorenson Media Web site still had information posted about Sorenson Squeeze 3 as MacCentral posted this article.



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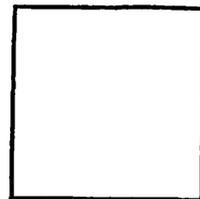
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