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Spring loaded

Apple's New Releases



From the President

—Barbara Blowes



to you all,




I can't believe how fast this year is going and I heard someone on the radio say how many weeks till Christmas. I told them to get lost I am not ready for that!

We had a great turnout for our SeniorNet Social at our new Venue The Borough (The Richmond Club). What a super huge new Venue to be able to have our socials there. The food was excellent and the staff were so helpful a pleasure to go there.

The next two months we are going to have two excellent speakers so do try to make the effort to come along and support us. We do try to get interesting speakers for our socials so being a member is worth your while.

June's speaker, Sonali Chandratilake, is a coordinator from Civil Defence Emergency Management team at the Christchurch City Council; this should be very interesting, especially for us here as we have a severe weather warning in place today.

July we have Miracle Tarawa, a former member of the Gloriavale; she will discuss her life inside. Mark these dates in your Calendar as I'm sure they will both be very interesting. We are very lucky having Erika White seeking these interesting speakers for us; so do come along as she works very hard to find these for us.

I do hope you have updated your devices as there have been quite a few updates recently all to do with the privacy act and you must do these. 



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Wednesday, 1.00 pm to 3.00 pm

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Items that can be solved quickly will be \$5 but problems requiring significant time will attract up to \$20 workshop charge.

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Editorial

—Ross Beach



everyone

June and half the year has gone. I certainly hope that you have survived the recent deluge that swamped the Canterbury region. What a turmoil the world seems to be in—widespread Covid19, Political upheaval, Dramatic Climate Change, Volcanic Eruptions, Earthquakes etc. This issue of *Apple NEWS* features *Spring loaded*, Apple's May announcement of their New Product Range. They have a very cunning logo to go with that announcement—the Apple designed as a Spring. This month instead of the usual Apple symbol signifying the end of an article I have used the Spring loaded symbol. Cookin' with Apple now has a page of it's own, Pam Doughty has more "Tips" and Brian the Pirate has some "Tech Humour". Apple's new products are listed over several pages. The new iMac is reviewed, Apple Air Tags are also reviewed. Impressions features Apple TV 4K and Siri. August/September *Apple NEWS* will have a new layout and look. The existing layout and design of some pages has become cluttered and unmanageable; it was originally designed 6 years ago when I needed to keep to 16 pages and be aware that the content had to be suitable for reproducing in black and white. Now that it's only produced Digitally I no longer have those constraints. Please, Please, Please scan—I can not believe how blasé people have become—they walk straight past the codes for scanning—we can not be blasé—look at the resurgence of the virus in the community in Victoria, Australia!! So until next time, keep warm, safe and be kind. Auf Wiedersehen 🍌



Welcome to New Members



Glenda Turner and Clare Milne, Nick Williams.



DEADLINE

Deadline for August/September Apple NEWS

28th July 2021

Please have your copy for the next Apple NEWS to me by the above date.

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Apple User Group

Canterbury Apple Users


is a subgroup of Christchurch SeniorNet Mac Inc. and meets on the last Wednesday of each month at

7.30 - 9.30pm in the SeniorNet Mac Rooms,

41 Essex Street, Christchurch.

A heated room with all conveniences, tea/coffee and bikkies.

FREE to SNM members. General public \$4.00

Meetings will discuss users' problems and review recent announcements and news relating to Apple products. All welcome. 

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Cookin' with



Zugedeckter Apfelkuchen (German 'Covered' Applecake, from Dr Oetker Baking Book)

Pastry

300g self-raising flour (or plain flour with 2t baking powder)

100g caster sugar

1t vanilla essence

1 egg

1T milk

150g butter at room temperature, chopped into small pieces (or margarine)

Pulse everything except egg & milk in food processor until mixed. Add egg and milk, and blend till all mixed in. Remove from processor and knead into a dough ball. Cover with gladwrap and place in fridge whilst preparing filling.

Filling

1kg (4 large) granny smith apples, coarsely grated

2 – 3T caster sugar

½ t cinnamon

¼ t ground cloves

2T raisins/ nuts

Place grated apple in pot and simmer on low heat for about 5 minutes. Add the rest of the ingredients and fold in, taking care not to make apples too mushy. Set aside to cool while preparing base.

Roll ½ the dough into a shape to line round cake tin (26cm), with some dough going a short way up the sides of tin. Prick with a fork, and bake 'blind' in oven at 180 deg C for 10-15 minutes. Roll remaining half of dough to form the top of the cake, slightly oversized to cover mixture and fold down at edges. Spoon apple mixture into the pastry-lined cake tin, (spread ~ 2 tsp of breadcrumbs over cooked base) taking care not to pour too much of the juice created from the apples. Cover the top with the rolled dough, folding and pressing at edges to seal. Prick with a fork, and brush with topping mixture. Make pattern by gliding back of fork criss-cross over top.

Topping mixture

½ egg yolk

1T milk

Place in oven at 180 deg C for 20-25 minutes, until golden.

Serve, hot or cold, with whipped cream or ice cream. 🍌

Recipe courtesy of SeniorNet Mac member Erika White.



APPLE UPDATES

Newshub 28/4/2021

MOBILE PHONES

Apple's iOS 14.5 update delivers new privacy controls, emoji updates

Mike Kilpatrick



Photo credit: Apple

Apple's major software update for iPhones, iOS 14.5, has been released, giving Kiwis more control over their online privacy and introducing new, updated emojis, among other features.

The kissing couple and couple with heart emojis have been updated to allow different skin tones to be selected for each individual. Emojis including a woman with a beard, a mending heart, a face exhaling and a heart on fire also make their debut.




Photo credit: Apple

Meanwhile the much talked about App Tracking Transparency feature, first announced by Apple last year, means users must now give explicit permission for apps to track them across other apps and websites for advertising purposes. This will be done via individual notifications in apps when first used post-installation, or can be switched off by default in the Privacy > Tracking setting. Users will also be able to see which apps have requested permission, so choices can be changed at any time.

The move has been criticised by Facebook, which says personalised ads help support small businesses and keep apps free.

A spokesperson for the social media platform told Newshub earlier this year: "Apple's new prompt is designed to present a false trade-off between personalised ads and privacy when in fact, we can provide both."

Other new features in iOS 14.5 include the ability to unlock your iPhone with the Apple Watch when you're wearing a face mask, Siri enhancements to help with diversity and inclusion, and support for the newly announced AirTags.

The new update will be downloaded automatically if you have auto-updates switched on, otherwise go to Settings > General > Software Update to install. 



BAFTA Awards 2021

Best Actress: Frances McDormand

Best Director: Chloé Zhao

Best film 2020, Best Cinematography.

2021 Oscars

Best Actress: Frances McDormand

Best Director: Chloé Zhao

Best Picture.

Highly recommended viewing—Editor

ERRATUM

A publishing error occurred in Apple NEWS April/May.

In the Article "I Remember When" the first Memory was attributed to Carol White instead of Clare White. The Editor sincerely regrets this error and accepts full responsibility.



Apple's New Releases



Spring Loaded

Introducing the new iMac, iPad Pro, iPhone 12 in purple, AirTag and Apple TV 4K.



Say **hello** to the new iMac.
Inspired by the best of Apple.

Seven vibrant colours.

You choose

green, yellow, orange, pink, purple, blue,
silver.



Only 11.5 mm. Now that's thin.



This extraordinary design is only possible thanks to M1, the first system on a chip for Mac. It makes iMac so thin and compact that it fits in more places than ever.

M1 integrates the processor, graphics, memory and more onto a single chip. That lets us put an entire computer into a space so small it practically disappears.

A power connector that easily attaches via magnets.



With a **colour** matched woven cable

Brilliant 4.5k Retina display



See the big picture. And all the details.

See it all in sharp, glorious detail on the immersive 24 inch 4.5K Retina display.² The P3 wide colour gamut brings what you're watching to life in over a billion colours. Images shine with a brilliant 500 nits of brightness. An industry-leading anti-reflective coating delivers greater comfort and readability. And True Tone technology automatically adjusts the colour temperature of your display to the ambient light of your environment, for a more natural viewing experience. So whether you're editing photos, working on presentations, or watching your favourite shows and movies, everything looks incredible on iMac.



1080p FaceTime HD camera.

Ready for your close-up.

It's the best camera system ever in a Mac. Double the resolution for higher-quality video calls. A larger sensor that captures more light. And the advanced image signal processor (ISP) of M1 greatly improves image quality. So from collaborating with co-workers to catching up with friends and family, you'll always look your best.



The ISP on M1 uses computational video to enhance image quality. To capture stunning video, it goes through a series of steps to analyse and enhance each pixel, at over a trillion operations per second. Advanced noise reduction algorithms bring a new level of clarity. Tone mapping delivers enhanced dynamic range, for more detail in bright highlights and dark shadows. And it works with the Neural Engine in M1 to make more intelligent exposure and white balance adjustments so you look just right in any light.

Studio-quality mics.

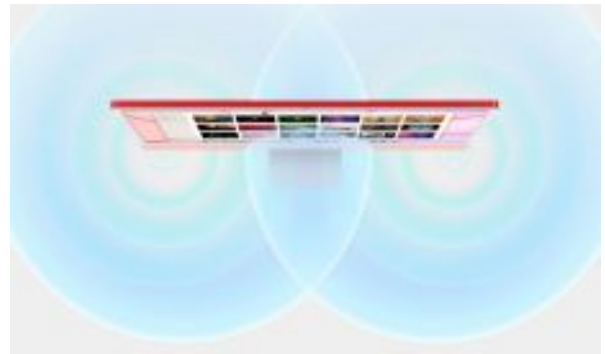
For high-quality conversations.

Whether you're on a video call with a friend, cutting a track or recording a podcast, the microphones on iMac make sure you come through loud, crisp and clear. The studio-quality three-mic array is designed to reduce feedback, so conversations flow more naturally and you interrupt each other less. And beamforming technology helps the mics ignore background noise. Which means everyone hears you — not what's going on around you.



Six-speaker sound system.

Audio that really fills a room.



The sound system on iMac brings incredible, room-filling audio to any space. Two pairs of force-cancelling woofers create rich, deep bass without unwanted vibrations. And each pair is balanced with a high-performance tweeter. The result is a massive, detailed sound stage that takes your movies, music and more to the next level.



Thanks to the redesigned speakers and advanced algorithms, iMac now supports spatial audio when playing video with Dolby Atmos. And when you combine that with the 4.5K Retina display, it's like bringing the whole cinema into your home.



M1 and Big Sur.

With great power comes great capability.

M1 is the most powerful chip we've ever made. macOS Big Sur is the most advanced desktop operating system in the world. Combined, they take iMac to entirely new levels of performance, efficiency and security. iMac wakes from sleep almost instantly, apps launch in a flash, and the whole system feels fluid, smooth and snappy. With up to 85 per cent faster CPU performance and up to two times faster graphics performance than standard 21.5-inch iMac models, you can use



apps like Xcode and Affinity Photo to compile code in a fraction of the time or edit photos in real time. And it runs cool and quiet even while tackling these intense workloads. That's the power of hardware, software and silicon — all designed together.

That means **Safari is faster than ever**, and you can browse with hundreds of tabs open at once.

You can **fly through edits in Adobe Lightroom** and easily work with massive 100-megapixel images.

Even **take on machine learning tasks** — like quickly transforming your photo into vector layers with Vectornator.

There are more Apps for iMac than ever before

iPad Pro

M1 chip. 12.9-inch Liquid Retina XDR display.²



**Supercharged
by the
Apple M1 chip**

iPhone 12

The fastest chip in a smartphone. 5G.⁴
A brighter, more colourful OLED display.
Ceramic Shield with 4x better drop performance.⁵ Now. In. Purple.



iPhone 12 and iPhone 12 mini

Blast past fast.

5G speed.¹ A14 Bionic, the fastest chip in a smartphone.

An edge-to-edge OLED display. Ceramic Shield with four times better drop performance. And Night mode on every camera. iPhone 12 has it all — in two perfect sizes.

Big news.

6.1"



Mini news.

5.4"



11% thinner than iPhone 11
15% smaller than iPhone 11
16% lighter than iPhone 11

Super Retina XDR display³

The world's smallest, thinnest, lightest 5G phone.

Ceramic Shield. Clearly tougher than any smartphone glass. 4x better drop performance²

5G speed OMGGGGG.

5G on iPhone is incredibly fast. So you can download movies on the fly. Stream higher-quality video. Or FaceTime in HD over a mobile network. With a lot less lag. And you can do it in more places, because iPhone 12 has the broadest 5G coverage worldwide.



H20K
Even better spill and splash resistance⁴



Dual camera system
Welcome to the dark side.

Both the Wide and Ultra Wide cameras now have Night mode — and it's better than ever at capturing incredible low-light shots. The new Wide camera brings in 27 per cent more light. So whether you take photos by day or by moonlight, you'll get a level of detail and colour that wasn't possible before.

Evenings have entered the picture.



Night mode senses when light is low and kicks in automatically, maintaining clarity while capturing beautiful vibrant color. All you have to do is start snapping.



Deep Fusion, in mid to low light, analyses multiple exposures to maximise detail. Check out the texture in the wood, fabric and crystal. And the Ultra Wide camera gets you a heroic perspective.

Automatic magic.



Smart HDR 3 balances the elements in a shot, bringing out detail in the subject and trees while retaining the rich colour of the sky — even at high noon.



Even in bright light, Smart HDR 3 is amazing at capturing texture, skin tone, colour saturation and individual details that make photos feel true to life.





Face it. Nothing beats Portrait mode.

Portrait mode is even better at artfully blurring the background to put all the focus on your subject.

Lovely, isn't it?



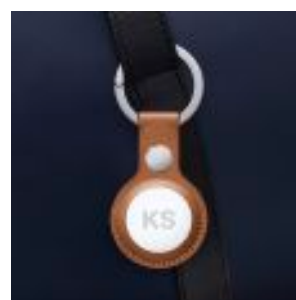
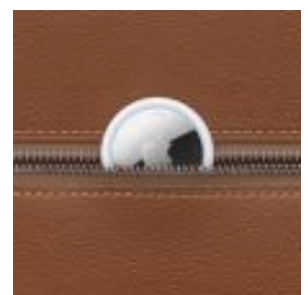
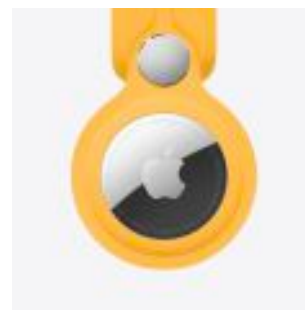
Take great photos even further by choosing from six creative lighting effects, like High-Key Light Mono, Natural Light and Studio Light

Air Tag

Lose your knack of losing things



AirTag is a really easy way to keep track of your stuff. Attach one to your keys, slip another in your backpack. And just like that, they're on your radar in the Find My app, where you can also track down your Apple devices and keep up with friends and family.



Ping it. Find it.

Misplacing something like your wallet doesn't have to be a big deal when it has AirTag attached. You can play a sound on the built-in speaker by going to the new Items tab in the Find My app, or say "Hey Siri, find my wallet". If it's hiding nearby — like under the couch or in the next room — just follow the sound and your search is over.



Cold. Warm.

Warmer. Hot.

If your AirTag is nearby, your iPhone can lead you straight to it with Precision Finding. You'll see the distance to your AirTag and the direction to head in — all thanks to Ultra Wideband technology.

Precision Finding compatible with:

iPhone 11

iPhone 11 Pro and iPhone 11 Pro Max

iPhone 12 and iPhone 12 mini

iPhone 12 Pro and iPhone 12 Pro Max X

Get by with a little help from hundreds of millions of friends.

When you've left something far behind, like at the beach or the gym, the Find My network — hundreds of millions of iPhone, iPad and Mac devices around the world — helps track down your AirTag. And it is designed to protect your privacy every step of the way.

How does it work?

Your AirTag sends out a secure Bluetooth signal that can be detected by nearby devices in the Find My network. These devices send the location of your AirTag to iCloud — then you can go to the Find My app and see it on a map. The whole process is anonymous and encrypted to protect your privacy. And it's efficient, so there's no need to worry about battery life or data usage.

Lost Mode makes finding things even easier.

Just like your other Apple devices, AirTag can be put into Lost Mode. Then, when it's detected by a device in the network, you'll automatically get a notification. You can also set it so someone can get your contact info by tapping your AirTag with an NFC-capable smartphone — that's the same technology that lets people pay for things with their phones.

Privacy is built in.

Only you can see where your AirTag is. Your location data and history are never stored on the AirTag itself. Devices that relay the location of your AirTag also stay anonymous, and that location data is encrypted every step of the way. So not even Apple knows the location of your AirTag or the identity of the device that helps find it.

AirTag is designed to discourage unwanted tracking.

If someone else's AirTag finds its way into your stuff, your iPhone will notice it's travelling with you and send you an alert. After a while, if you still haven't found it, the AirTag will start playing a sound to let you know it's there.

Of course, if you happen to be with a friend who has an AirTag, or on a train with a whole bunch of people with AirTag, don't worry. These alerts are triggered only when an AirTag is separated from its owner.

Beautifully simple.

A one-tap setup instantly connects your AirTag with your iPhone or iPad. Enter a name for your AirTag, attach it to the item you want to track and you're good to go.

Want AirTag notifications on your Apple Watch too? No worries.

Long live the battery.

AirTag is designed to keep going for more than a year on a standard battery you can easily replace. And your iPhone lets you know when it's time to pop in a new one.

Spish, splash.

Let's say you've tagged your keys and — oops — drop them in a puddle. Or they're in the path of a colossal spill. Hey, that's okay. Your AirTag is water-resistant.

Initial it. Emoji it.

When you buy your AirTag from the Apple website or the Apple Store app, you can have it personalised with your initials. An emoji. Or both. It's free and easy, and it adds some fun.

See also Review on Page ???

Apple TV



A higher definition of TV.

The new Apple TV 4K brings the best of TV together with your favourite Apple devices and services — in a powerful experience that will transform your lounge room.



The best shows, movies, sport and live TV.



4K High
Frame Rate
HDR for
fluid,
crisp video.

The Apple experience. On the big screen.



A12 Bionic
brings more
performance to
your TV.

A new Siri Remote
for precise control.



The performance you're looking for. Straight out of
the box.

All the best TV. And it shows.

Your screen runneth over. From period pieces to shows that rule the day, Apple TV 4K has great programming from apps like Amazon Prime Video, Netflix, Disney+ and Sky Sports Now³ — and critically acclaimed Apple Originals from Apple TV+.⁴



Apple TV app.

Apple Original shows and movies from Apple TV+. Thousands of movies to buy or rent. It's all your TV. All in one app.



If it's happening live, it's happening here. Apple TV 4K teams up with some of the world's largest TV networks and broadcasters, making it the only box you need to connect to your TV.

Control that runs circles
around other remotes.

The new Siri Remote
brings together speed,
fluidity and precise
control with a touch-enabled clickpad.



Turn your lounge into a concert hall.

Apple TV+. Watch critically acclaimed series, compelling dramas, groundbreaking documentaries, kids entertainment, comedies and more — with new Apple Originals added every month.

Apple Fitness+.

Choose from a catalogue of workouts led by expert trainers. In-session metrics from your Apple Watch, like heart rate and calories burned, are shown on your big screen in real time, so you can focus on your workout and see how you're doing.

Apple Music.

Access over 75 million songs — and music videos from the '80s to today's top artists — all through your Apple TV 4K. You can even sing along to your favourite songs — word for word — with lyrics view.

Apple Arcade.

The experience of playing Apple Arcade games — from brain teasers to magical quests to endless runners — is all too immersive on your big screen with Apple TV 4K.

Gameplay gets more realistic with the A12 Bionic, which powers smoother motion and greater responsiveness. Multi-user support helps players keep track of their individual game levels, leaderboards and invitations — and switch between players at any time.

And you can connect more of your favourite controllers to Apple TV 4K, including PlayStation and Xbox Wireless controllers.



An even bigger big-screen experience.
Use AR to see Apple TV 4K.

Audio Sharing

Shhhh. It's gonna get loud. When the kids go to bed, Audio Sharing let's you connect two sets of AirPods to your Apple TV 4K and still enjoy movies and shows — with every scream, explosion and roar.

iPhone control

Control it all with iPhone. Good call. Convenient built-in controls appear on your iPhone on the Lock Screen and in Control Centre — so you can easily play, pause, fast-forward, rewind and adjust the volume on your TV.

HomeKit

Knock, knock? Who's there? HomeKit. Get a live view of your front door. Double-check the locks.

From the Home app on your iPhone or iPad, you can even create a scene called "Movie Night" that turns on your TV, lowers the blinds and dims the lights — all at once.

AirPlay

Take a look at everything you can share. With AirPlay, you can share the latest movies, vacation photos, music and even 4K HDR videos from your iPhone or iPad to your Apple TV 4K in their full resolution.

Multi-user support

You get your TV. They get theirs. With multi-user support in Control Centre, all your family members can quickly find only the shows they want to watch. Up Next lists, video and music collections, recommendations and more are tailored to each of you.

Photos

Smile. Your photos are on TV. Enjoy your photos, videos and shared albums on the big screen. Memories automatically creates collections of your best, and Apple TV 4K lets you see them in 4K HDR.

App Store

There's always something good on. The App Store on Apple TV 4K has something for everyone.

Thousands of top sports, fitness and kids apps.
And, of course, a world of games. 🎮

Life is 10% what happens to us and 90% how we react to it.

—Dennis P. Kimbro

REVIEW

Newshub 11/5/2021

Apple AirTags are worth the wait

Daniel Rutledge

After being rumoured for years, Apple has finally released AirTags - wireless little devices that can be attached to things to stop them from being lost.

A rival to the likes of Tile and Samsung's SmartTags, AirTags have launched with a RRP of NZ\$55 each in Aotearoa.

Do they work as well as they claim to?

What are the drawbacks?

I've been using some AirTags for the past few weeks and here are my thoughts.



Photo credit: Newshub.

The good

Yep, AirTags work just as well as Apple claims they do. If you already have an iPhone and have used the Find My app before, AirTags are super easy to connect to and then use to track your items.

And that tracking can be fun.

Getting super accurate directions on your phone to exactly where the Tag is located has a bit of a sci-fi feel to it - I kind of want to add sound effects to mine so it's like when Ripley is tracking Newt in Aliens.

Immediately upon opening the package, we hid tags from each other around the Newshub office in Auckland and then found them using the app.



Photo credit: Newshub.



Newshub19/5/2021

Review: Apple's 2021 iMac is a remarkable combination of style and power

Daniel Rutledge

This week, Apple releases its latest iMac range in New Zealand.

The brightly coloured all-in-one computers now boast a 24-inch screen with a Retina 4.5K display and new promise of power via the M1 chip.

If you're close to the Tag, the app will tell you what you've named it ("keys", "jacket" etc) is "nearby". When you get within about 10m it'll tell you how far it is exactly and in what direction, even telling you to try going up or down a building level.

When you're further away, you can track it on a map like you would any location on an online map.

The AirTags can emit a sound when you want them to and as you get close to them, satisfying haptic feedback in your phone helps with locating them.

It's easy as, and has uses beyond finding lost stuff.

I used an AirTag with my luggage on a recent trip to Adelaide and while on the tarmac, made sure my suitcase was in the plane before it took off.

It's accurate enough that you can see when it's still in the terminal and when it's out on the plane with you. You can also check it's still on the plane when you land - which I did, but I suspect I would have already noticed if it had fallen out.

That price is fair and the battery in them is said to last for about a year. When it needs replacing, you can easily do so with any CR2032 battery.

There's not a great deal more to say about AirTags.

Unlike other tech reviews, this particular item is very uncomplicated, offering basically one feature which it excels at.

The bad

If you don't own other Apple products, these are off-limits to you.

Android users can help identify lost tags and get them back to their owner, but you need the Find My app to own and use AirTags.

While the prices of AirTags are totally reasonable, what their accessories cost is a bit on the nose. You can't attach a plain Tag to your keys, you need it in a holder that can work as a keyring - and Apple branded ones cost more than the AirTag itself on the company's NZ website.

There are third-party versions available for much cheaper, so shop around if you want to save some money.

There is also the possibility of misusing AirTags, like using them to track people without their consent.

Apple has of course implemented safeguards to prevent this from happening, but there are concerns it's still possible. A report that tested the stalking capabilities of AirTags on *the Washington Post* found Apple's efforts to stop the misuse of its trackers just aren't sufficient".

But the possible misuse of them by creeps shouldn't really dissuade normal people from wanting to use them in the right way.

The verdict

Apple's AirTags do what they say on the tin and do it very well. They're a simple device whose usability has been simplified in the extreme for iPhone users, making it remarkably easy to set them up and use how you like.

It's a shame they can't be used by non Apple customers and that the Apple-branded accessories for them are quite expensive.

But for iPhone users who tend to lose things, like their keys or wallet, these are easily recommendable as a great buy. 🗝️

Newshub was supplied Apple AirTags for this review.



An orange 24-inch iMac with an Apple M1 chip. Photo credit: Newshub.

But are they a case of style over substance? Is Apple charging too much money for a trendy device that will only be cool for a year or so?

In New Zealand, they start at \$2149, but can cost over \$5000 if you choose every top-end option possible with every accessory and pre-installed software option available.

The new iMacs will be available to customers from this Friday, but I was loaned one early to review. Here are my thoughts.

The good

Wow.

That's what I said when I pulled this out of the box. It's also one of many things Newshub's Lifestyle Editor Sarah Templeton exclaimed as she got more excited than she has over any tech gadget I can remember opening in the office.

It really has been designed with aesthetics in mind and be prepared for these showing up in your Instagram feeds soon, particularly if you follow a few creative professionals.



Apple's logo on the back of the iMac screen. Photo credit: Newshub.



The model I am using is orange - dazzling bright orange on the back and a faded, peachy orange on the strip below the screen. There are six other colour options: pink, purple, yellow, blue, green and plain old silver.

The colour scheme is extended across the accessories in the box - keyboard, mouse, trackpad, even the cords - and even to the default desktop background when you boot it up.



The customer's chosen colour extends beyond the iMac itself to the accessories. Photo credit: Newshub.

The iMac is also strikingly thin - the screen is 11.5mm thick and the whole thing weighs just 4.5kg. It doesn't take up much space and is easy to move about.

The wow factor continues after booting up, too. The Retina 4.5K display is stunning, making watching 4K video or looking at a high-res photo a real pleasure.

As with the M1-powered MacBooks released last year, Apple's own silicon proves an absolute beast again.

Early benchmark tests show these new iMacs are vastly more powerful than any previous iMac - even about 38 percent more powerful than last year's Intel Core i7-10700K 27-inch model. For standard day to day users, that means you'll pretty much never have to wait for anything because of hardware. I certainly haven't while juggling loads of apps at the same time, including demanding ones.

It never seems to heat up or make any noise, either.

Beyond standard use, the iMacs are more than powerful enough to carry out a lot of professional work too.

Using Final Cut Pro, I comfortably edited some 4K video content, with other apps open that I was able to tab between with no problems. In a demo, I saw an iMac play four tracks of 4K video simultaneously, without dropping a frame.

Like many tech devices released since the outbreak of COVID-19 and ensuing shift to working from home, the new iMac has beefed up video meeting capabilities.

It has the best camera, best mic system and best speakers ever in a Mac, all intelligently adjusted on the fly by the M1 to ensure really high quality video calls.

Although this isn't a gaming PC, it obviously handles anything on Apple Arcade without cracking a sweat. You can easily connect an Xbox or PlayStation controller to it too, if you want.

As someone who has predominantly used PCs over Macs, despite being an iPhone owner, one of the most refreshing things of the iMac is its iPhone continuity features.

If you're looking at something in Safari, Notes, or any of Apple's apps on your phone and you're near the iMac, a little icon of that app will pop up on its screen. You click that and it opens up on the iMac.



Every new iMac comes with an Apple Magic Keyboard and Magic Mouse in the box. Photo credit: Newshub.

In practice, this is exceptionally handy. It's even quicker than AirDrop and means never emailing or Slacking yourself anything. Just imagine starting an email on your phone while walking back from the café then just sitting down and finishing it on the iMac as soon as you're back at your desk.

Making everything as quick and simple as possible goes further, too. Some of the new iMacs, including my review unit, have a keyboard with a touch ID button that allows unlocking, but also instant switching between profiles.

There are too many examples of this sort of convenient feature to list and I'm discovering more all the time.

The bad

The worst thing about the new iMacs is they cannot be upgraded, so you must really think ahead if you're looking to invest in one. It's super powerful and you can increase storage capacity with removable drives, but it's difficult to say how much more power or space you may need in a few years' time.



This iMac model has four USB-C ports, two of which are Thunderbolt. Photo credit: Newshub.

Although the iMac is light and easy to move about the house or office should you want to, I do worry about its durability in certain use examples Apple put forward.

Specifically, using the iMac as a smart screen in the kitchen is a bit dangerous for my liking, given how ingredients and oils can splash around, not to mention things being knocked off the bench.



There are much cheaper smart screen options around, too - this iMac could easily be overpowered for such uses and, with more options than one needs, where a simple tablet would suffice. Likewise, as powerful as it is, this is not designed to be a serious gaming machine - that's still the realm of the PC, where powerful graphics cards can be replaced with even more power year after year.

But of course, that's not what the iMac is going for. Just one top-end graphics card alone would cost more than an iMac, before you buy every other component and accessory required to get it working.

The M1 chip is an ARM processor and apps made for its Big Sur OS run amazingly well, while those built for Intel-based Mac models generally run well via Rosetta 2. But some older apps just won't work - if there's an older app you need to run on a new iMac, check if it'll do so before you buy.

And while the bright design will be loved by many folk, some others will hate it. I personally dig it but if I was to get really picky, I'd want smaller bezels around the screen. They're far from ugly, but they are fairly sizable compared to some other screens and it might be nicer to have a smaller border.



The screen's border will have fans and detractors. Photo credit: Newshub.

The verdict

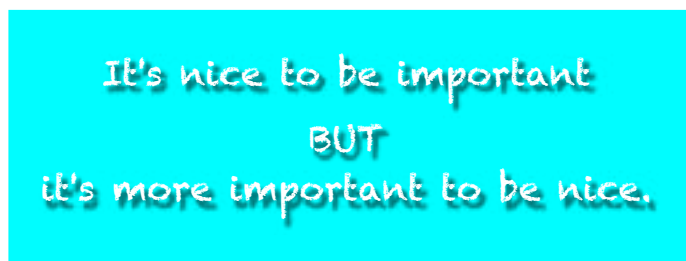
Apple's new iMac is a remarkable combination of vibrant, stylistic design and mighty power.

The eye-catching colour schemes and inability to be upgraded mean these won't be for everyone, but it's hard to imagine a better all-in-one computer being released this year.

Particularly for iPhone users, this is a super intuitive, easy to use unit that is more than powerful enough to handle everything general users would need.

If you like the look of them I'd find it hard to believe you don't love using one. I sure do. 🍌

Newshub was supplied an iMac for this review.



29 June 2021

Sonali Chandratilake

"What is Civil Defence and what does emergency preparedness mean for me"

Sonali Chandratilake is a Community Resilience Coordinator in the Christchurch Civil Defence Emergency Management Team at Christchurch City Council. Prior to joining the team at CCC, she was an Emergency Management Advisor at Wellington Regional Emergency Management Office, focussing on Community Resilience and Businesses Continuity for small to medium sized business.

She was a team leader at Student Volunteer Army during the Canterbury Earthquakes and since then has done her research on the Canterbury Earthquakes. She has a passion for building our community capability to respond and recover from and encouraging our communities to be more cohesive.

She is a mum to two active preschool boys and loves to cook a good feed. 🍌

27 July 2021

Miracle Tarawa

"Life inside GLORIAVALE"

Miracle Tarawa is the daughter of the late Hopeful Christian, founder of the renown cult "Gloriavale".

She, along with her large family left the sect 10 years ago. 🍌

**"If at first you don't succeed; call it—
version 1.0"**



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The new Apple TV 4K adds Siri to the lounge

Emma Brannam



Photo credit: Apple / Newshub.

TV nights in my household have improved of late. There's now three of us on the sofa - me, my husband and Siri. Apple's previous Siri remotes haven't worked in New Zealand but the latest one does, hence our newly found fondness for throwing commands around like couch potato kings and queens. The only other necessary accessory is, of course, an Apple streaming device such as the new Apple TV 4K, which I've also been testing out, but more on that in a minute.

This new remote is easier to use than the old. For a start, it's thicker and far less likely to be lost for days on end, which has happened to me more than once.

The new touch enabled click pad seems very responsive and it's easy to click, swipe or make a circular gesture on the outer ring, turning it into a jog control to quickly find particular scenes in a show.



Photo credit: Apple.

But back to Siri as I rather like issuing commands. It's simple to search for things such as specific shows, music, or podcasts and to also control smart home accessories, but my favourite command so far has to be 'What did he just say?'

This makes whatever I'm watching skip back 15 seconds or so to replay a scene that's been rudely interrupted by a request for attention from the husband, children or dog.

There's no accelerometer or gyroscope in the new Siri Remote so it won't work as a motion controller for Apple TV games. A separate compatible game controller will be needed for that. The Siri Remote will however work as the TV's main remote as it can control the power.

It's not essential to have an Apple TV box to access the Apple TV app. Most smart TVs have it integrated and it's also available on some competitor's streaming devices.

But to easily access all of Apple's services, like Apple Arcade, and to make the most of a fancy 4K smart TV, it's definitely beneficial to have Apple TV 4K.

If you own the previous generation Apple TV 4K, the two will seem very similar. They look identical and share many key features such as support for resolutions up to 2160p, Dolby Vision and HDR10.

But the newer version does have a faster A12 Bionic chip inside, as well as support for HDMI 2.1 and Wi-Fi 6.

It allows for high frame rate HDR up to 60fps, so videos should play more smoothly and appear more lifelike than before. That's useful for things like fast-action sports, non-cinematic content and short videos.

Already the likes of Red Bull TV are streaming in high frame rate HDR. However, it might take a while before other video producers catch up.

Apple TV 4K enables multi user support so everyone in the family can find their own shows.

There's also the ability to colour balance. I tried it and it used the light sensor in my iPhone (held close to the TV screen) to compare the TV's colour balance to industry standard specs used by cinematographers worldwide. It then gave me the option to adjust to get the better picture. I did.

Now if Siri can magic up some chocolate to go with my TV viewing, life would be peachy but she's already informed me it's outside her remit.

The new Apple TV 4K with Siri Remote is released in Aotearoa later this month for NZ\$299.

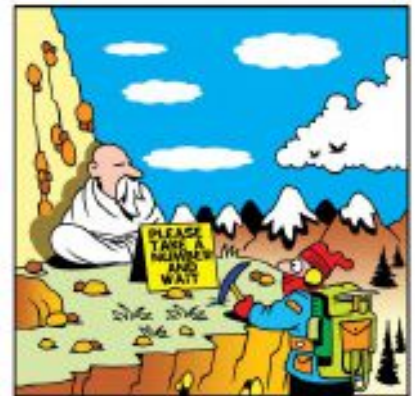
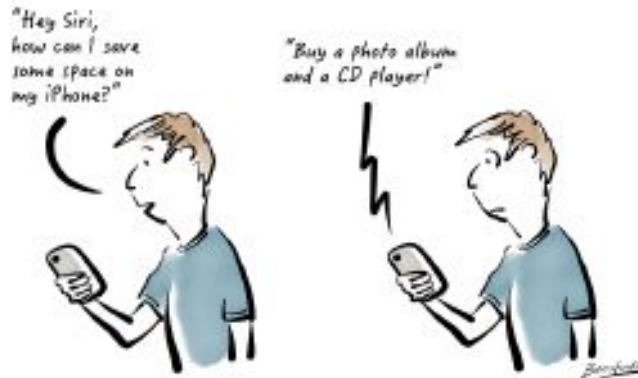
First generation Apple TV 4K owners might be content enough with just buying the new Siri Remote, which will go on sale as a stand-alone unit for NZ\$89.



Emma was supplied an Apple TV 4K for this article.



“giggles”



SeniorNet Mac Social & Luncheon



27th April

The Fitness Industry & its current trends, and more importantly "The Silver Tsunami" – Health and Fitness for the Mature and Motivated,



Paul Dunn

Bachelor of Physical Education—15+ years in the fitness industry—currently H&F Manager at the Christchurch YMCA.

It was amazing that our speaker could end his talk by hoisting us all up off our chairs and behind them; on our feet we copied his movements such as rising and falling slowly on tip-toe, walking forwards and in reverse toe-to-heel along a line; although admittedly, we just watched his wall press-ups it gave us an idea of how a personal work routine could be simply made and executed. But mostly we just sat and listened. Paul Dunn had graduated with a B.Phys.Ed. from the University of Otago and initially spent 3 years working in mental health, eventually working for the YMCA, now with fifteen years' experience as a trainer, latterly as manager of Health and Fitness. His talk's title was "The Silver Tsunami - Health and Fitness for the Mature and Motivated".

Paul discussed the gymnasium in both the Bishopdale and City locations of the Christchurch YMCA (founded in Lyttelton in 1862). He noted that a gynasium was formerly seen as a very forbidding place and only stars had personal trainers. Today the emphasis was holistic, including the concepts of wellness and senior fitness. He quizzed his audience on the benefits of exercise and pointed out that mental health was one of these. Unfortunately a number of myths persisted, such as that women



who lifted heavy weights became bulky, nor could one tone up on a regime of lifting light weights; the biggest myth was that one could spot the location of reduced fat on the body. Everyone needed a slightly different programme, but this difference was not male/female.

In discussing which was the most popular form of exercise at present, Paul noted that cycling and walking were still widely enjoyed, and tracking tool technology had become more accurate, but in 2021 the demand for virtual content was in the highest demand, perhaps an effect of the previous year's COVID-19 lockdown. One example Paul mentioned was the PD Warrior programme which had been successful in temporarily halting or even reversing the development of some symptoms of Parkinson's.

The Life Fit programme for older adults, however, had a waiting list and a low price-tag. Other popular group exercises were Pump (aerobic style, choreographed to music), Step, Zumba, Pilates, Yoga, and Spin (with indoor bicycles). There were over 30 classes of all types a week, most of them at Bishopdale. Now personal trainers were popular; members were less likely to cancel, and the trainers could stop bad habits.

In answer to a question from the floor, Paul observed that the old adage of "no pain, no gain" was no longer accepted, and pain was seen, on the contrary, as a limiting factor. He had been inspired by one of his group, a 93-year old who would swim before every class.



For more information, consult <<https://www.ymcachch.org.nz>>.

Raffle Prizewinners

27 April 2021

1. Ross Clendon, 2. Ann Camfield, 3. Barbara Blowes



SeniorNet Mac Social & Luncheon



25th May

Helen Brockelworth

Wild animals are not our usual after-lunch fare, but we were all absorbed by the well-illustrated talk from Helen Brockelworth about Orana Wild Life Park, New Zealand's

only free range zoo, situated as it is close to Christchurch airport. Founded by the South Island Zoological Society in 1976 after six years' preparatory work, there had been great changes since one walked an animal, a new arrival, off the 'plane,' and Helen showed a 40-year old photograph of this actually happening. Many listeners would remember the old drive-through experience. The MacLeans Island site actually comprised 180 ha. of which just 80 ha. were open to the public. There were 90 species, some nationally unique to Orana, such as gorilla, some most unusual, such as "auroch" ("back-bred" cattle with features of the extinct auroch). Moreover, since 8500 children visited annually, farm animals were important, as the Park aimed to give visitors "close encounters". Not a farm animal, a giraffe could also be hand-fed.

Helen discussed the conservation work of Orana Wild Life Park, where it had a successful record of zoo-based breeding for release into the wild, native examples being patake (brown teal), whio (blue duck) and of course kiwi. There were a number of tuatara and geckos; special mention should also be made of work on the rare orange-fronted kakariki (parakeet). Achievements with exotic species had also been notable; there was a White Rhino Conservation Centre, whose animals were imported from South Africa, quarantined, then shipped on to Australia. She showed a photograph of a herd of scimitar-horned oryx. The Park was a top breeding unit for cheetahs. In answer to a question from the floor, Helen acknowledged this species had been through a bottleneck bringing it down to about twenty individuals, so the gene pool was very narrow,

bringing with it health problems which needed to be bred out as part of the improvement programme. The fastest land mammal, which had evolved long, thin legs and a flat, long tail for balance, the cheetah had a decreasing population. Other species showed a great diversity, for example emus, Tasmanian Devils, Maud Island frogs, and Canterbury mudfish; moreover it should be recalled that the Park's environment could attract wild species such as the nesting bell-bird and visitors like the royal spoonbill. And otters were coming!

It was necessary to examine how the Park had managed the COVID-19 pandemic. Obviously it could not be hibernated. The first point to make was that all staff had been retained, each with their individual skill set. In the absence of visitors, it had been possible to move animals and to change feeding schedules. The partnership with Zoolife in Canada had been particularly rewarding; webcams, manipulable by an audience, were installed enabling animals to be viewed in Zoos and Sanctuaries worldwide when "no-one was looking". Gorillas watching TV had been quite a hit. Zoolife also permitted interactive conversations with animal scientists and naturalists around the world, especially significant when many northern hemisphere countries were still in lockdown.

A new fundraising plan was being implemented.. Gate income including annual passes remained important for a registered charity, as did gift shop expenditure, but one could also adopt an animal, leave a bequest, and private groups could hire the grounds, and catering facilities; there was a children's playground and safari shuttle tours. Nor should volunteering help be forgotten. It was planned to preserve the open range style. 🦒

Website: <<https://www.oranawildlifepark.co.nz>>

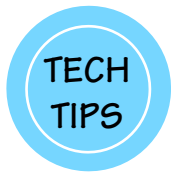
See also: <zoolife.com>

Raffle Prizewinners

25 May 2021

1st Helen Cox, 2nd Brian Henderson, 3rd Pat Ryan





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Tips for macOS, iPad, and iPad OS14

Courtesy Pam Doughty, AUSOM

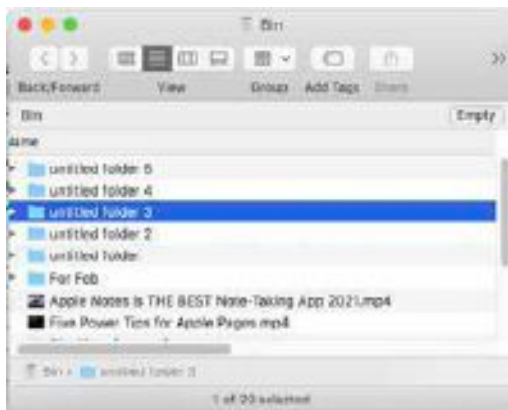
mac OS

Items in the Bin

We are all advised NOT to put files in the Bin unless we are SURE we don't want them. However, most of us know the Bin will not be emptied immediately and we could 'recover' a file if necessary.

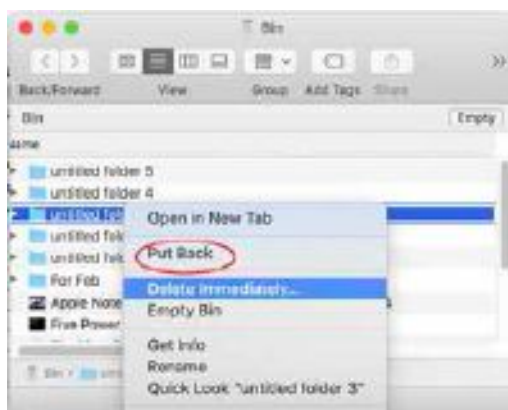
We will come to the 'recover' procedure very soon. What can you do if you don't want to empty the Bin but you do have a file or folder that you would like to delete immediately?

In the screenshots below I have 20 items in my Bin and I would like to keep most of them 'just in case' but I have put a folder in the Bin that I would like to delete immediately.



I want to delete the folder that is selected above immediately. Once the item is selected Right (Control)-Click to obtain the menu shown in the next screenshot.

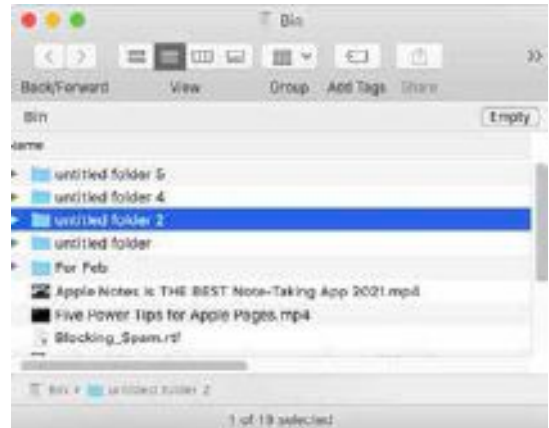
NOTE: I have circled the 2nd option—Put Back—choose this option if you want to 'recover' the item.



Select Delete Immediately and you will get the following warning.



Click Delete and the item will be gone—there are now only 19 items in my Bin as shown below.



iPad OS14

PDF files on a Mac

...Extract individual pages (see page 24 for this process on an iPad).

This procedure was described in detail in AUSOM News October 2016 page 34. I suggest you read that article if you need further assistance.

Save pages from a PDF

- Open the PDF in Preview
- Select View>Thumbnails
- Tap or Click on the thumbnail of your choice in the sidebar. (Hold down Command () to select multiple pages) From the Menu Bar
- Select Edit > Copy (or +C)
- Select File > New from Clipboard (or +N)

A new Window will open with the 'name' Untitled.



Click the Markup icon to add text, various shapes and lines and your signature to this document (if required) and email it by clicking the Share icon. Save your new file in an appropriate folder.



iPad OS

PDF files on iPad

Another hint for using PDF files on your iPad WITHOUT the need to purchase an additional app.

This month I am looking at saving groups of pages from a PDF and keeping them in appropriately named folders within Files on my iPad.

The app I am using to copy the groups of pages from the AUSOM News PDF is Books.



With the PDF open in the Books app tap near the centre of the screen to make the tool bar appear. Tap the share icon (circled above).



Select Print. You DON'T need a printer available.



To select the pages to extract, tap the area beside Range — it initially reads All Pages >.



Select the range by sliding the page numbers. Tap Printer Options circled in the image below.



The pages that were selected in the previous step will be highlighted. The magic needed to SAVE these pages rather than send them to a printer is to use two fingers to expand the PDF to full page.



Tap the Share icon (circled above).



From the Share sheet scroll down to Save to Files.





Select the 'folder' within the Files app to store the saved PDF of your extracted pages.

NOTE: Rename or move your files within Files to allow you to keep copies of articles for easy access. If you need to sign or annotate the pages save to Files, open and select Markup, and then save or email.



iPad OS

Precise Object Editing...

...Pages on the iPad that was updated in early April 2021 has been used for this article — similar changes have been made to Keynote and Numbers.

The latest update to Pages for iPadOS 14 has added a feature that has made many users very happy. It is no longer necessary to tap tiny arrows to change the size or location of an object. These, and other settings for an object can be changed by entering a value using your keyboard. When you first open the updated app you will see:



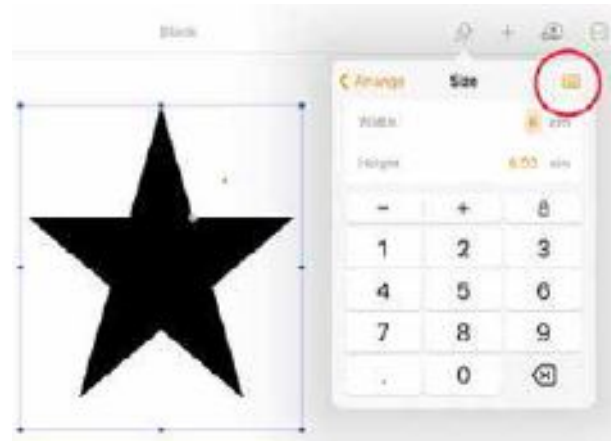
This article shows some of the changes. I suggest you experiment for yourself.

Positioning an object

Below I added a star shape and selected it. I then selected the Arrange tab, and tapped the area circled in the screenshot below.



The result was the following...

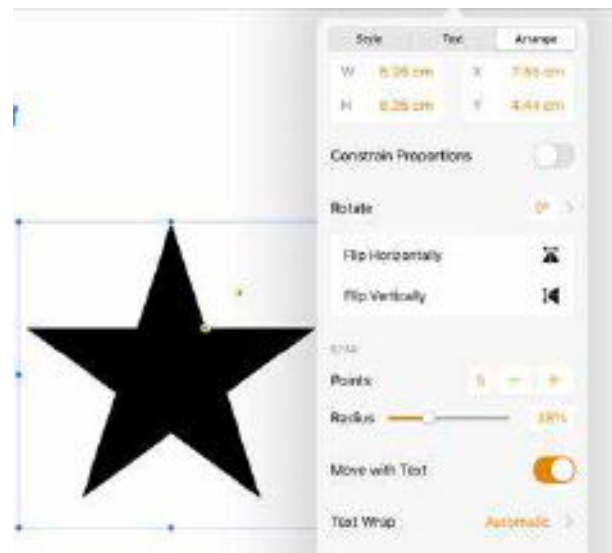


I found I could alter the value in the selected field by using the small on-screen keyboard or I could tap the keyboard icon (circled) and use a larger keyboard.

The ability to type the exact dimension or position of an object is what Apple called 'Precise Object Editing'.

Rotating an Object

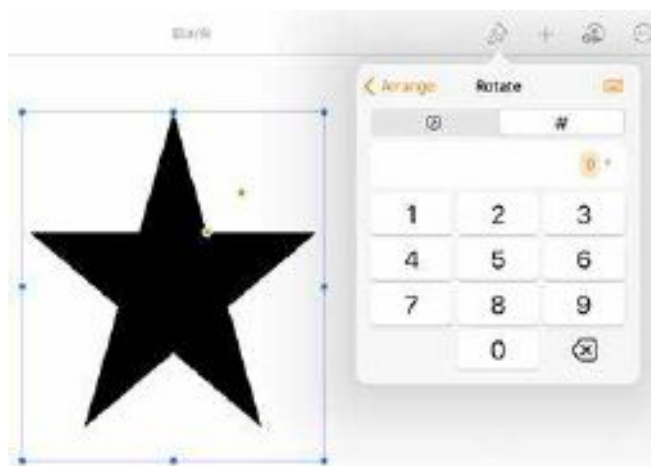
With the star selected I first tapped the value beside the Rotate area within the Arrange tab.



Here there were even more options for refinement of the object. Tapping the area circled in the image above gave the ability to rotate the object in 45-degree increments.



Tapping the icon circled below gives the ability to rotate 'smoothly'.



NOTE: You can still use two fingers on an object and rotate it, as was the case before the update.



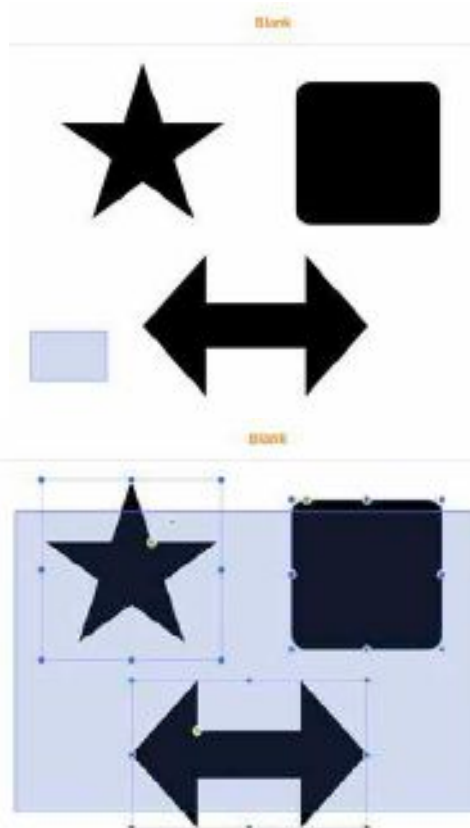
The second area I tapped is not available for EVERY shape. As I selected a Star, it is possible to change the number of points. Tap on the points option in the Arrange tab and then enter a number on the keyboard provided



Selecting Objects

If you want to select more than one object it is still possible to touch and hold one object, then tap the other objects with another finger. Use both hands if it is easier.

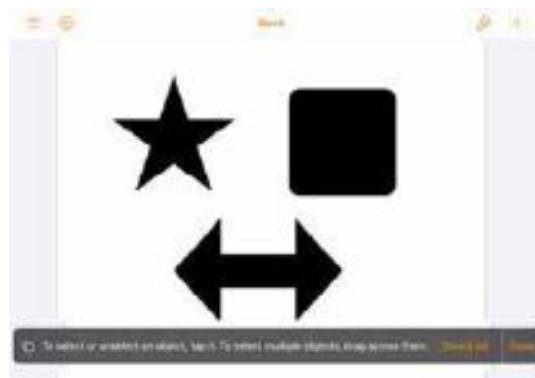
The latest update gave another method. Touch and hold on an empty area of the screen, then drag the box that appears around the objects you want to select.



The last method of selecting objects I find the easiest. Tap one of the objects you want to select and tap Select Objects



This will result in a hint on the screen (see below).



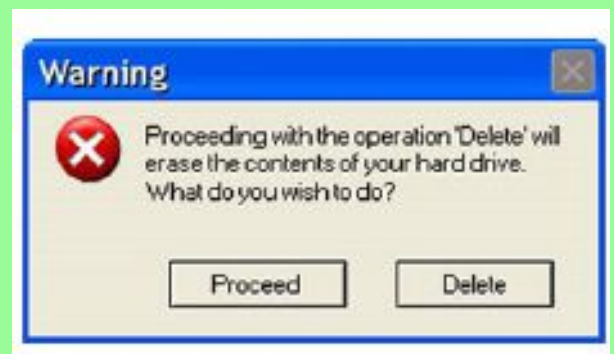
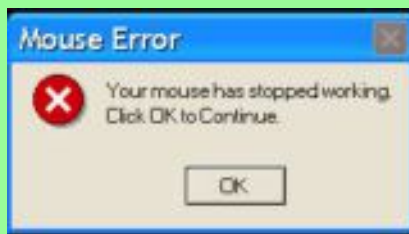
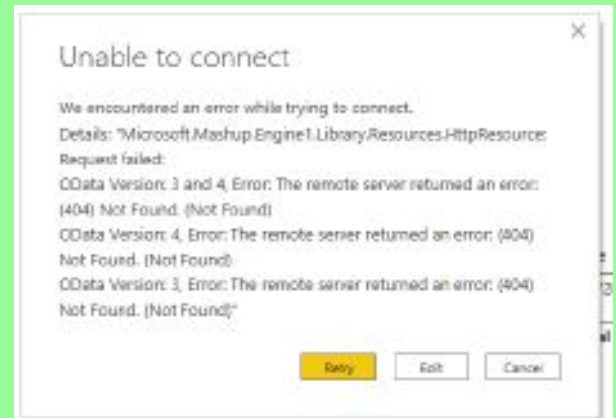
Tap additional objects and when finished tap Done.

Final Note: An object is any item you place on a page, including images/photos, text boxes, shapes, tables and charts.





Error Message Humour





Brian the Pirate's Tech Humour

—Brian Henderson

Humour
One



BEST-SELLING COMPUTER BOOKS

1001 Arabian Bytes
20 000 PCs Under the Sea
A Call to RAMs
A Tale of Two CDs
Aesop's Folders
Alice in Cyberland
All Quiet on the Western Font
Around the Web in 90 Days
Brave New World Wide Web
Cache-22
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Charlotte's Web-site
Disk Doctor Zhivago
DOS Kapital
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Gone With the Windows
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Jane Error
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Last of the MacIcons
Little Mouse on the Prairie
Lord Of the Files
Moby Disk

Moll Finders
Motherboard Goose
The Mouse of Several Cables
Netscape from Alcatraz
Of Mouse and Man
Old Man and the C-Drive
One Flew Over the Internet
ROMulus and RAMus
Silas Monitor
The Byte of the Ancient Mariner
The Cache of Monte Cristo
The Old Man and the C:\
The Pit and the Pentium
The Scarlet Font
The Three Little Gigs
The URLing
The Windows of our Discontent
The Wizard of OS
Uncle Tom's Cache
WANS Upon a Time
War and PC
Wuthering Bytes
Zorba the Geek



Humour
Two



VIRUSES TO BE AWARE OF

RONALD REAGAN VIRUS: Saves your data, but forgets where it is stored.

MIKE TYSON VIRUS: Quits after two bytes.

DR. JACK KEVORKIAN VIRUS: Deletes all old files.

DISNEY VIRUS: Everything in your computer goes Goofy.

PROZAC VIRUS: Screws up your RAM but your processor doesn't care.

ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER VIRUS: Terminates some files, leaves, but IT WILL BE BAAAAACK.

DONALD TRUMP VIRUS: Verbal diarrhea.





Brian the Pirate's Tech Humour

—Brian Henderson

Humour
Three



NEW TECHNOLOGY ARRIVAL CAUSES GREAT EXCITEMENT!

BOOK is a revolutionary breakthrough in technology: no wires, no electric circuits, no batteries, nothing to be connected or switched on. It's so easy to use even a child can operate it. Compact and portable, it can be used anywhere—even sitting in an armchair by the fire—yet it is powerful enough to hold as much information as a CD-ROM disc.

Here's how it works: BOOK is constructed of sequentially numbered sheets of paper (recyclable), each capable of holding thousands of bits of information. The pages are locked together with a custom-fit device called a binder, which keeps the sheets in their correct sequence.

Opaque Paper Technology (OPT) allows manufacturers to use both sides of the sheet, doubling the information density and cutting costs. Experts are divided on the prospects for further increases in information density; for now, BOOKS with more information simply use more pages. Each sheet is scanned optically, registering information directly into your brain. A flick of the finger takes you to the next sheet.

BOOK may be taken up at any time and used merely by opening it. BOOK never crashes or requires re booting, though like other display devices it can become unusable if exposed to high ambient temperatures. The "browse" feature allows you to move instantly to any sheet, and move forward or backward as you wish. Many come with an "index" feature, which pinpoints the exact location of any selected information for instant retrieval.

BOOK can be stored for an almost unlimited amount of time without connecting any outside power source. Many BOOK units may be stored together, as they cause no interference with one another, even when placed in close proximity.

An optional "BOOKmark" accessory allows you to open BOOK to the exact place you left it in a previous session—even if the BOOK has been closed. BOOKmarks fit universal design standards; thus, various manufacturers can use a single BOOKmark in BOOKs.

Conversely, numerous BOOKmarkers can be used in a single BOOK if the user wants to store numerous views at once. Only the number of pages in the BOOK limits the number.

You can also make personal notes next to BOOK text entries with an optional programming tool, the Portable Erasable Nib Cryptic Intercommunication Language Stylus (PENCILS). Portable, durable, and affordable, BOOK is being hailed as a precursor of a new entertainment wave. Also, BOOK's appeal seems so certain that thousands of content creators have committed to the platform and investors are reportedly flocking. Look for a flood of new titles soon.





Brian the Pirate's Tech Humour

—Brian Henderson

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TECHNOLOGY LAWS...According to Murphy

Murphy's Technology Law #1:

You can never tell which way the train went by looking at the track.

Murphy's Technology Law #2:

Logic is a systematic method of coming to the wrong conclusion with confidence.

Murphy's Technology Law #3:

Technology is dominated by those who manage what they do not understand.

Murphy's Technology Law #4:

If builders built buildings the way programmers wrote programs, then the first woodpecker that came along would destroy civilisation.

Murphy's Technology Law #5:

An expert is one who knows more and more about less and less until he/she knows absolutely everything about nothing.

Murphy's Technology Law #6:

Tell a man there are 300 billion stars in the universe, and he'll believe you. Tell him a bench has wet paint on it, and he'll have to touch to be sure.

Murphy's Technology Law #7:

All great discoveries are made by mistake.

Murphy's Technology Law #8:

Nothing ever gets built on schedule or within budget.

Murphy's Technology Law #9:

All's well that ends... period.

Murphy's Technology Law #10:

A meeting is an event at which minutes are kept and hours are lost.

Murphy's Technology Law #11:

The first myth of management is that it exists.

Murphy's Technology Law #12:

A failure will not appear until a unit has passed final inspection.

Murphy's Technology Law #13: New systems generate new problems.

Murphy's Technology Law #14:

To err is human, but to really foul things up requires a computer.

Murphy's Technology Law #15:

We don't know one-millionth of one percent about anything.

Murphy's Technology Law #16: Any given program, when running, is obsolete.

Murphy's Technology Law #17:

A computer makes as many mistakes in two seconds as 20 men working 20 years make.

