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Future Macs to have Intel Inside

Apple Announces move to Intel Processors in 2006 & 2007.

During the keynote of the worldwide developers conference on Monday June 6 Steve Jobs talked about the major transitions in the Mac's life - starting from the Mac's Motorola 68000-series processor to PowerPC. "The PowerPC set Apple up from the next decade. It was a good move," he said.

"The second transition was even better - the transition from Mac OS 9 to Mac OS X that we just did," he continued. "This was a brain transplant. And even though these operating systems (9 and x) vary only by one in name, they are very different, and this has set Apple up for the next 20 years."

As the Intel logo lowered on the stage screen, Jobs said, "We are going to make the transition from PowerPC to Intel processors, and we are going to do it for you now, and for our customers next year. Why? Because we want to be making the best computer for our customers looking-forward." "I stood up here two years ago and promised you 3.0 GHz. I think a lot of you would like a G5 in your PowerBook, and we haven't been able to deliver that to you," said Jobs. "But as we look ahead, and though we've got great products now, and great PowerPC products still to come, we can envision great products we want to build, and we can't envision how to build them with the current PowerPC roadmap," said Jobs.

Intel processors provide more performance per watt than PowerPC processors do, said Jobs. "When we look at future roadmaps, mid-2006 and beyond, we see PowerPC gives us 15 units of performance per watt, but Intel's roadmap gives us 70. And so this tells us what we have to do," he explained. Transition to Intel by 2007, and yes, Marklar exists "Starting next year, we will introduce Macs with Intel processors," said Jobs. "This time next year, we plan to ship Macs with Intel processors.

In two years, our plan is that the transition will be mostly complete, and will be complete by end of 2007." Jobs then confirmed a long-held belief that Apple was working on an Intel-compatible version of Mac OS X that some have termed "Marklar." Mac OS X has been "leading a secret double life" for the past five years, said Jobs. "So today for the first time, I can confirm the rumors that every release of Mac OS X has been compiled for PowerPC and Intel. This has been going on for the last five years." *continued on page 2*



BAC June Meeting

The June meeting will be held on Saturday June 11th, at 10:00am at the Homewood Library room116.

The topic for the meeting will be OS 10.4 Tiger, a training video available to .Mac users will be shown. Just in case bring any questions or problems you may have.

Come early and enjoy coffee, doughnuts and cookies, plus...🍏.

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MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN FOR BAC

Anyone interested in serving as the new membership chairman please contact a BAC officer and inform them of your interest.

The duties of the membership chairman involve keeping up a member roster, a newsletter roster, notifying members of delinquent status and selling ad space in the PEEL

BAC Disk of the Month

The BAC CDOM (Disk of the Month) is available at each BAC meeting. These CDs contain updates, shareware, and freeware.

The cost is \$2 per disk and is available at the BAC meetings from Disk Librarian Jerry Jenkins.

June 2005 CDOM Description

CheckBook 1.4...Shareware

Easy to use personal finance manager. Requires OS 10.2 or higher, inc.10.4

FolderIconX 2.0.8...Shareware

Now for OS 10.2 thru 10.4

GraphicConverter 5.6.1x...Shareware

Many, many improvements in this updated version. A good app to change graphics formats and to edit and correct digital photos. Requires Mac OS 10.1.3 or higher.

MacFamilyTree 4.1...Shareware

Updated genealogy program. Requires OS 10.2.6 or higher

QuicKeys X 3.0.2...Shareware

Automate almost any computer task and assign it to one hot key, menu selection, toolbar button, etc. For OS X inc. 10.4

Shop'NCook X 3.1...Shareware

Shopping list & recipe manager. Organize recipes, then select a recipe(s) for a shopping list. For OS X

SlideRule 1.1...Freeware

A sliderule emulator. For OS X.

SmileBubbles 1.1...Shareware

Cartoon style game. For OS 9 and up.

TableTennis Pro 2.2

High level game with 3D graphics. Offers step-by-step training section. For OS 10.1 or above.

TechTool Pro 4.0.4 Updater

Now for OS X thru 10.4

Tex Edit Plus 4.9.2...Shareware

Easy-to-use text editor, but more like a word processor. This new version is scriptable. Requires OS 10.2 or higher, inc. OS 10.4

TypeIt4Me 2.2.1...Shareware

For OS 10.3 or higher.

VueScan 8.2.17...Shareware

Updated, keeps getting better and covers more scanners. In most cases, it replaces and improves the original scanner driver. This version now requires Mac OS 10.2.8 or higher.

Intel Inside continued from page 1

Jobs demonstrated a version of Mac OS X running on a 3.6GHz Pentium 4-processor equipped system, running a build of Mac OS X v10.4.1. He showed Dashboard widgets, Spotlight, iCal, Apple's Mail, Safari and iPhoto all working on the Intel-based system. The system itself was not revealed. 🍏



June Door Prizes

The following list of door prizes will be awarded at the BAC June meeting, the **book Internet Annoyances**; a copy of the monthly CDOM, and a one-month rental of any of the instructional CDs that are in our Library. 🍏

Safari Crashes after Installing OS X 10.4

This problem is usually caused by any one of several “Safari Enhancers” such as SAFT, Pith Helmet, Speed Download or Acid Search. There are two ways to fix this problem.

- Completely remove the Safari enhancer from your system, use the uninstall feature if available.
- Update the particular enhancer to the latest version.

This first showed up with Safari 1.3 in OS X 10.3.9.

This is for Speed Download users. just forget the exact file name but it lives here.

Delete the file `user/library/input managers/safr.speed-download.bundle`

So it's the speed download safari bundle thing in the input managers folder.

It stops the Speed download CMM from working after you delete it but the plugin still works and Safari doesn't crash anymore and it retains preferences and runs perfectly.

Check with the shareware suppliers to see if they have update to their software which addresses the problems associated with OS X 10.4 update.

Speed Download comes with an uninstaller, use the uninstaller if available to remove all remnants of the Safari enhancer program. Even after the free demo trial period.

Tiger OS 10.4 System Requirements

To use Mac OS X 10.4 Tiger, your Macintosh needs:

- * A PowerPC G3, G4, or G5 processor
- * Built-in FireWire
- * At least 256 MB of RAM, recommend 512 MB
 - * DVD drive (DVD-ROM), Combo (CD-RW/DVD-ROM) or SuperDrive (DVD-R) for installation
- * At least 3 GB of free disk space; 4 GB if you install the XCode 2 Developer Tools

Check out our System Requirements webpage for a graphical overview of the supported hardware for Mac OS X 10.4 Tiger.

Notes

* Please be sure to read the Before You Install document included on the Mac OS X 10.4 installation disc for more important information.

* Mac OS X does not support processor upgrade cards. The amount of disk space required depends on your computer and how you choose to install Mac OS X.

* Not all PowerPC G3 processor-based Macs have built-in FireWire. See our System Requirements webpage for pictures of the ones that do.



LAPTOP BATTERY RECALL

iBook G4 and PowerBook G4 Battery Exchange Program

In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and other international safety authorities, Apple is voluntarily recalling certain lithium ion rechargeable batteries that were sold worldwide from October 2004 through May 2005 for use with the following notebook computers: 12-inch iBook G4, 12-inch PowerBook G4 and 15-inch PowerBook G4. These batteries were manufactured by LG Chem, Ltd. of South Korea.

The affected batteries could overheat, posing a fire hazard to consumers. Apple has received six consumer reports of these batteries overheating. If you have a recalled battery, please stop using it and order a replacement battery immediately. Once you have removed the battery, plug in the AC adapter to power the computer. If you must temporarily use your computer with the battery, do not leave it unattended and check for signs of overheating.

Apple has initiated a worldwide exchange program and will provide eligible customers with a new replacement battery, free of charge.

Identifying your battery

The recalled batteries include those with model numbers A1061, A1078, and A1079 and serial numbers that begin with HQ441 through HQ507 and 3X446 through 3X510. To view the model and serial numbers labeled on the bottom of the battery, you must remove the battery from the computer. The battery serial number is printed in black or dark grey lettering beneath a barcode. See photos below. Please use the chart below to identify the battery model and serial numbers that apply to your iBook or PowerBook. 🍏

<https://depot.info.apple.com/batteryexchange/index.html?lang=en>

Hints&Tips

www.mac-hints-tips.com

Print Font Previews

Q: How do I print a list of all my fonts so that I know what they look like?

A: Lemke Software's FontBook 4.1 (\$10, www.lemke-soft.de) lets you view and print font samples. It can print up to 75 fonts per page using whatever sample text you give it, though a pangram (a sentence that contains every letter of the alphabet) is the most-useful choice.

Our favorite is "Pack my box with five dozen liquor jugs."

MacAddict Magazine

Put That Back!

The next time you find that you have selected the wrong file or are inadvertently moving an icon that you didn't mean to move, here's a quick fix:

Just move your cursor to the very top of the screen and release the mouse button. The file(s) will automatically drop back to where they started. Another approach is to hit the Escape key during the dragging action, and this will cancel the move. Thanks to Mac-in-Awe for this tip!

Mad Mac News, Madison, WI

Tiger Help and Tips

The first place that I went to find out more about Mac OS X 10.4 was the .Mac web site. Apple has posted some really good tutorials for .Mac subscribers. These give a great first look at how to do things like add Widgets, create an Automator script, etc. www.mac.com

The Take Control has a new ebook, Take Control of Customizing Tiger, which looks like it will be a big help in working with Tiger. This is a \$5 book, but you'll get a coupon for \$5 off your next Small Dog order, so it's free!

www.takecontrolbooks.com/tigercustomizing.html

MacOSXHints.com has the best collections of tips for Mac OS X 10.4 that I have found. Hints range from the very simple (all the "slowmotion enabled" Tiger actions) to the more technical (adding your home town to the World Clock Widget). www.macosxhints.com

Dashboard Exchange is a good place to go for Widgets and tutorials. www.dashboardexchange.com/index.php

Apple's support page for Mac OS X 10.4 has gotten pretty plump with info. Topics include Installation, Using Mail, Connecting to the Internet, Printing, Faxing, Accounts, Passwords, Security and Networking. In addition there are

also support pages for Automator, VoiceOver, Address Book, iCal, iChat AV, iSync, Safari, Font Book, QuickTime, Classic Environment, and Disc Burning. www.apple.com/support/tiger/

Dawn D'Angelillo

SmallDog Electronics

Interesting G5 iMac Tip

Adding RAM to the new iMac G5 doesn't require you to add matching RAM values, so you can add different values in the two available slots. That sets up two 64-bit paths addressing each DIMM individually to maximize the total data path to the RAM. The interesting part is, if you decide to add matching values, such as two 1 Gb DIMMS, your iMac will set up a single 128-bit path to service and address the two DIMMs as a single block of RAM, which of course is faster than 2 separate 64-bit paths!

Charlotte MacWorkshop,

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Not Just a Calculator

The calculator that comes with your operating system can be viewed as a basic four function calculator or a scientific calculator.

It also does conversions of length, time, area, volume, etc. Plus it does currency conversion, but make sure you update the conversion factors before using.

In OS 10.4 a programmers calculator has been added as well the the ability to use RPN. For those of us familiar with HP calculators RPN stands for Reverse Polish Notation.

Once you get familiar with it one saves keystrokes in chain calculations.

Birmingham Apple Core



Did you know?

Timothy Cook, Apple's executive vice president for worldwide sales and operations is a graduate of Auburn University with a degree in industrial engineering, and an MBA from Duke. He worked previously for Compaq and IBM. 🍏

All Folk, All the Time

Do you enjoy folk music? If so then FOLK ALLEY is the place for you to hang out. WKSU, the Kent State Univ. radio station serves as the host for Folk Alley.

Go to www.folkalley.com or use iTunes radio under Americana and enjoy. 🍏

Tiger comes with Safari 2.0 which includes RSS

What is RSS?

Really Simple Syndication (RSS) is a lightweight XML format designed for sharing headlines and other Web content. Think of it as a distributable “What’s New” for your site. Originated by UserLand in 1997 and subsequently used by Netscape to fill channels for Netcenter, RSS has evolved into a popular means of sharing content between sites (including the BBC, CNET, CNN, Disney, Forbes, Motley Fool, Wired, Red Herring, Salon, Slashdot, ZDNet, and more). RSS solves myriad problems webmasters commonly face, such as increasing traffic, and gathering and distributing news. RSS can also be the basis for additional content distribution services.



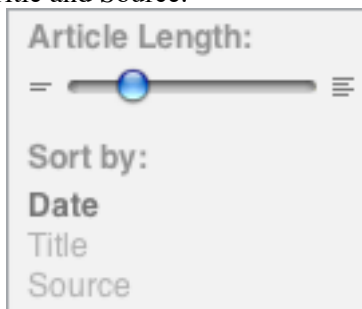
RSS icon in Safari browser

Safari is RSS Ready

Many major news organizations, community websites and personal weblogs offer headlines and article summaries in the form of news feeds using a technology called RSS. Safari RSS lets you take these news feeds and view them together in a simple, ad-free list, so you can quickly find all the articles that interest you from across the Web. Safari is compatible with all the RSS feeds on the Internet because of its standards-based support for RSS 0.9, RSS 1, RSS 2 and Atom.

Change the size of the feed.

When Safari encounters a RSS feed, it displays every headline and article summary right in the browser window. To read the complete article, click on the headline or summary to retrieve the web page. Safari has a slider control for customizing the displayed length of each article summary and controls for sorting and filtering displayed articles by Date, Title and Source.



Get the Scoop

With Safari, you know right away if you’ve landed on a website that offers an RSS feed, thanks to a handy RSS icon. Click it and Safari automatically displays the feed. Then bookmark the RSS feed so you can return to it later. Safari even tells you when your bookmarked feeds are updated with new articles, so you get the latest news without repeatedly refreshing sites. And if you enjoy scanning the news from all your favorite sites at once, Safari lets you aggregate feeds easily. Create a folder of your frequently viewed RSS feeds from a single window, then browse everything from technology sites to entertainment sites in one cleanly formatted page.

Personal Clipping Service

Using a different approach than a search engine, which searches millions of sites on the Internet, Safari zeroes in on only the articles that interest you. Enter a topic keyword into the RSS search field and Safari searches across the currently displayed RSS feeds for matching headlines, then displays the results on a single page. Simply bookmark your search to create a Personal Clipping Service and Safari RSS aggregates new articles that meet your criteria and lets you know when they arrive.

About Mac OS X Update 10.4.1

Meet the world’s most advanced operating system. Again. Instantly find what you’re looking for. Get information in an instant with a single click. Mac OS X Tiger delivers 200+ new features which make it easier than ever to find, access and enjoy everything on your computer.

What’s New in this Version

Delivers overall improved reliability for Mac OS X v10.4 and is recommended for all users.

It includes improvements for:

- file sharing using AFP and SMB/CIFS network file services
- using DHCP in wireless networks
- user login when accessing LDAP and Active Directory servers
- core graphics including updated ATI and NVIDIA graphics drivers
- synchronization with .Mac
- Address Book, iCal, Font Book, Mail, and Preview applications
- Dashboard widgets: Address Book, Flight Tracker, Phone Book, and World Clock
- compatibility with third party applications and devices

For detailed information on this Update, please visit this website: <http://www.info.apple.com/kbnum/n301517>



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