



Our next SAAUC meeting is...



**Friday August 3rd  
from 7:30pm**

*a "Peter Jenkins" presentation about...*

**Security**

*See location map on the last page*

## A word from our President...

*It's that quiet time of the year between Apple's WWDC for new software previews to the 'Fall'*



*releases of operating systems and updated hardware. A good time to prepare the the new macOS by cleaning up the computer, run disk utility and make sure everything is backed up.*

*We seem to be hearing more and more bad news stories about cyber crime, scams and security breaches by some of the worlds biggest companies and it's easy to be a little anxious about what is hovering waiting to attack our systems. Peter Jenkins will be giving an updated presentation at this Friday's meeting on security so don't miss it.*

*The SAAUC Google Group's email list seems to be functioning correctly, most of the time. Internode and Adam email addresses are most at risk of being 'bounced' by the ISP so , if you have an email address with Internode or any of their connected companies, I suggest using a second email address, such as iCloud or Gmail to use exclusively for the club's Google Group list.*

Regards

*Marie Good*

SAAUC President

## ...and a word from our Vice President

*Hello, and welcome to the August '18 edition of SAAUCery. With the release of macOS Mojave & IOS 12*



*coming this springtime, what better idea than to get your eyes ready for "Dark Mode". Do you like it?*

*It's certainly a feature I am looking forward to, as it makes colours look more vibrant on the screen.*

### macOS Bootable USB

*At our last Friday meeting in July, members were shown two ways to make a bootable USB stick of their favourite operating system. For the geeks, a terminal command can be used to add High Sierra, Sierra, El Capitan etc onto USB media, so that you can do a 'clean' install onto your iMac or MacBook.*

*For example:*

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sudo /Applications/Install\ macOS\ High\ Sierra.app/Contents/Resources/createinstallmedia --volume /Volumes/8GBGreenUSB --applicationpath /Applications/Install\ macOS\ High\ Sierra.app --nointeraction
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*Remember that for this command to work, you'll have already downloaded the macOS (or OSX) installation file to your "Applications" folder. Also in this example, my USB stick is labelled "8GBGreenUSB", so you'll need to change it to the name of your USB media.*

*Or you can use a program like "Install Disk Creator". You can download this from <https://macdaddy.io> . You can find instructions from their website at <https://macdaddy.io/install-disk-creator/>*

**Rick Sarkanen**

SAAUC Vice President

## Mike's Musings



### A Few macOS "Quickies"

Here are a few "quickies" that have been around in macOS for a while—functions I have heard or read about, understood how useful they can be, but oftentimes forget to use them!

#### Stationery Pad:

Perhaps you have a document you use frequently, in which most of the content does not change but there are some places where new information is entered or changed each time you use it. Making a Stationery Pad of it lets you open a new **copy** of the document you can modify as required. The original "stays put".

To make a Stationery Pad of a document:

- Select (click on) the document's icon and Get Info (Cmd-I) for it.
- Click on the Stationery pad box to put a check-mark in it.
- Close the Get Info window.

Whenever you need to use a copy of that document, just double-click on its icon. Saving the copy you worked on creates a whole new document; the original is not touched.

#### Quick Look:

Quick Look is a way of (literally) getting a "quick look" at many types of document without having to run an actual application to open the document.

To "look quick":

- Select (click on) the document's icon, then hit the Space bar;
- A copy of the document will open. You can page/scroll through it.

Quick Look will work on text, graphic, word-processing and spreadsheet docs.

#### Bringing Up Emojis:

The Old, S-I-o-w way to bring up your emojis and symbols ...

- Open Keyboard Preferences;
- In it, click on Keyboard;

- Check the box for Show keyboard and emoji viewers in menu bar;
- In the menu bar, select Show Emoji & Symbols.

The New, Quick way?

- Hit Control-Command-Space!!
- Click on the red Close button of the emoji window to dismiss it.

### A Ringing Phone - Must It be Answered?

I did enjoy president Marie's article about how we always seem to feel we must pay attention to a ringing phone. As far back as I can remember, I have been prone to doing that—though I think I have "chilled out" a bit, thanks to my wife's urging:-).

Going back some years, there was no way of knowing who was calling, nor could the caller leave a message. In the early 90s I was unemployed; while at home I would race to answer the phone, in case it was a callback from someone about a job. So we bought an answering machine, with its micro-cassette for recording the calls. Then, some years back, we got a cordless phone, with "Call Display", which showed who had called, and when. Message-taking was handled by the phone company's "Voice mail" service. It (usually) all works very nicely!

Now, with a mobile phone, you can have all that—and more—wherever you go! In fact, aren't many people carrying their whole being in that small thingy in their pocket, bag or purse? It seems like that to me!

How people handle their mobile phones and tablets—their "devices" in company has long been a source for amusement. Earlier this year Column 8 in The Sydney Morning Herald had two items about "device usage etiquette": While others debate the feasibility of a device-free dinner (C8) Colyn Pavey of New Lambton has successfully managed to do just that, a feat made all the more impressive given that his family contains six tech-loving Gen Y children. How is this possible? "Any person at the table who must check Facebook/emails/texts at dinner are to hand their phone to the person two places to their left, who will then open and read the message. Suddenly checking incoming messages has become less important and phones are left in another room on "silent".

When her grandchildren arrived at her home earlier than expected Kaye Price of Bathurst told them that while she was in the shower she would leave them to their own devices. "But, Grandma," wailed one, "we didn't bring them today."

## Apple's "Sneaky" Software Update

My long-standing ritual for updating our Macs with an "incremental" update of macOS—e.g., from macOS 10.13.5 to 10.13.6—involves downloading the **Combo** version of the system update, running a couple of maintenance utilities (Cocktail, Malwarebytes), doing a full back-up of the machine, using Carbon Copy Cloner, to an empty volume on an external hard drive, restarting the Mac, then applying the Combo update. But on July/10th Apple got a sneaky one by slipping in the 10.13.5 to 10.13.6 update without my noticing it!

I had seen the news that the 10.13.6 had been released, so downloaded the Combo update. After that I went to App Store/Updates, which told me that iTunes 12.8.0 was available to install. "Good-oh," I thought, "this'll just take a few minutes. When that's done I'll do the macOS Combo update." So I clicked on Update for iTunes, and went away for several minutes. When I came back, Software Update

was saying that the iTunes update was still under way; I went away again for a short time. When I came back, it still said "iTunes ...", but that there was still "45 minutes to go". The rotten sods!! They had concatenated the macOS 10.13.6 system update on behind the iTunes update, but did not display it! I just let this run to its forgone conclusion. When it was over, the system came up in 10.13.6. I applied the Combo Update anyway. Everything **has** worked as it should since ... (Bloody Apple ...)

## "... One More Thing!"

"Adelaidians have more fun!" Oops. I've done it again! I typed two characters the wrong way round. (It happens quite a lot with me ...)

But I've learned the "fix" by heart:

- Place cursor between the two "twisted" characters;
- Hit Control-T.

Hooray! Adelaidians may now have more **fun!!**

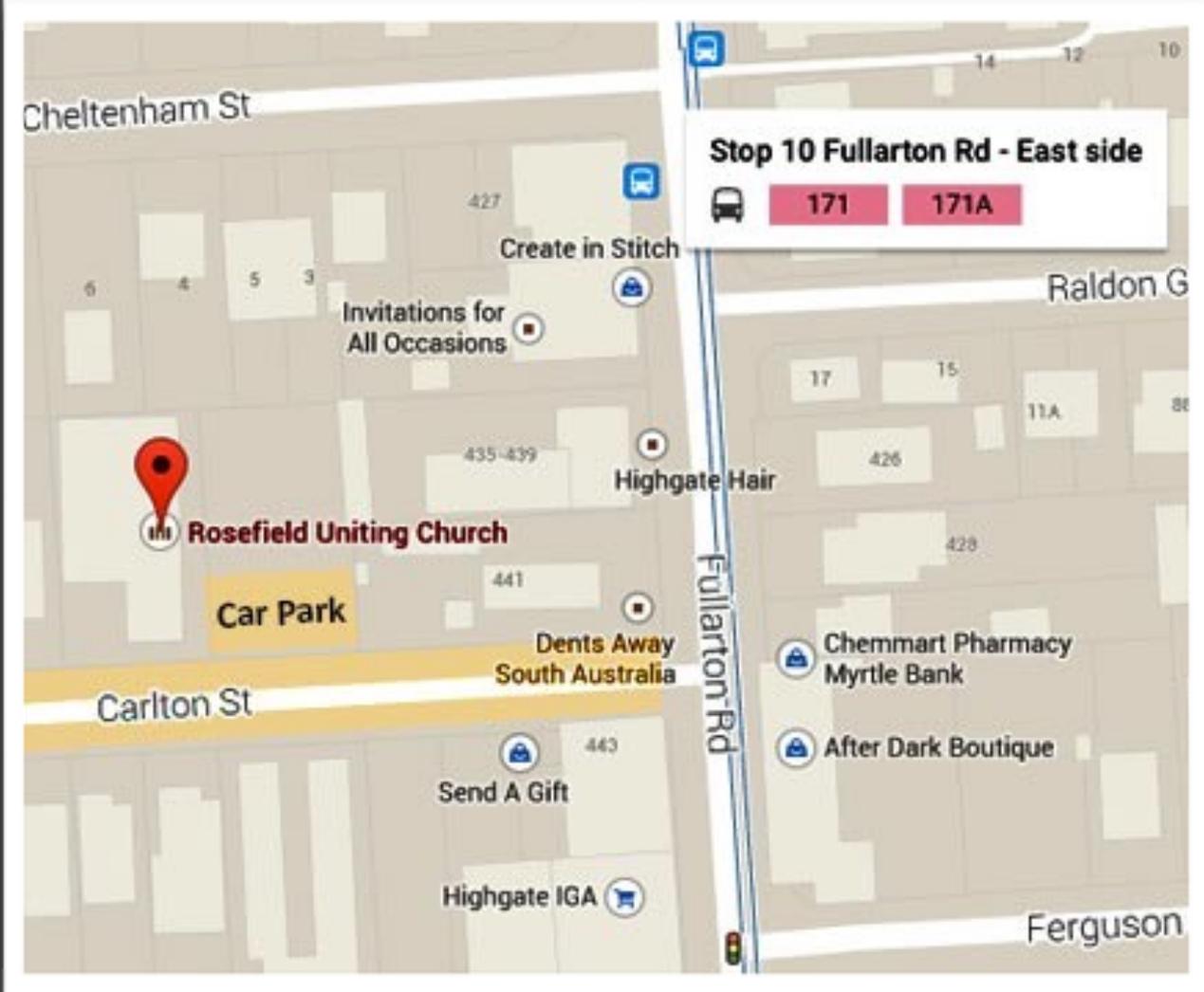
Cheers,

**Mike Millard**

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