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APPLE USERS' CLUB



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**Our next SAAUC (Zoom) meeting is...
Friday April 4th, 2025 from 7:30pm Connect
from wherever you have internet access and the
zoom.us app**

(Details will be sent to members via email)

Dates to remember:

Friday 4th April: Computer Hardware

*Sunday 6th April: lunch at North China
Restaurant, 575 North East Rd, Gilles
Plains SA 5086*

June 9th - 13th WWDC

February	7
March (AGM)	7
April	4
May	2
June	6
July	4
August	1
September	5
October	3
November	7
December	5





A word from our President...

While April always brings thoughts of hot cross buns and Easter eggs, it is generally a fairly quiet time for Apple. Apple Intelligence continues to be the major interest and some concern and disappointment that it hasn't been delivered with the fanfare and finesse expected. There are gradual releases in various updates of the iOS and macOS, now up to 18.4 and 15.4 respectively. With WWDC now set for June 9 we can expect to see a flurry of updates to the existing operating systems before the next are announced.

Now is probably a good time to do some house keeping of computers and devices - clean up that desktop, organise those files, consider using the Cloud, and sift through those piles of photos. It's just too easy to take photos these days and, before you know it, you can be swamped.

Most of all, enjoy the Easter break.

Regards

Marie Good

At Unley Library.
Marie is a volunteer at Unley Library and will be assisting with Macs and Apple devices once a month on the 2nd Wednesday of each month from 10 to midday.



Apple Assistance

One of the reasons for having an Apple Watch was to be able to take a simple ECG. The Series 4 was the first to have this feature. Last year when Telstra abandoned the 3G network my Series 4 cellular Watch was no longer able to make phone calls independently of my iPhone and I opted to get the new Series 10 model. Much to my consternation, a few weeks ago I opened the ECG app and it would not work.

The app opens to show a heart then instructs to hold a finger on the crown, the dial.



For the next 30 seconds, the app shows the pattern of your heart beat.



At the end of thirty seconds, you can expect to see the message 'this ECG does not show signs of atrial fibrillation.'



I called into Apple Rundle Place on a Sunday afternoon to drop the watch off. Oh, no no, not that simple. Make a booking to see a genius tomorrow morning. Right, rock up for said

appointment and go through multitude of settings with designated genius, who tells me that her Watch had had the same issue. She had been able to leap frog the system due to her working there, but I'm not so lucky. After many minutes conferring out the back, she returned to tell me I needed to call Apple Service. The noise level in the store was so high, I elected to go out into The Mall to be able to make a phone call. I waited over 30 minutes to get through to Tania in Austin, Texas who needed to get me to go over all the settings and tests I had already done in Apple Rundle Place but with the added difficulty of trying to listen to and complete the instructions from the iPhone to the watch which, of course, was on my wrist. After much juggling, Tania agreed the watch needed to be returned to Apple.

Wonderful, finally, I'll just pop back into the Apple Store and get them to send it off. Oh, no, no, no. Tania had missed to tick a vital box and I needed to ring her back!!! Caught the tram home and rang her that evening. She told me I would receive a box with mailing instructions. After a couple of days I received mailing instructions but no packaging box. I had wiped the watch clean and decided to take it to a post office and send it off with the mailing instruction, to NSW. A box never arrived but finally I received notification that Apple had received the watch, inspected it and determined to replace it for me.

Two weeks after I first approached the Apple Store, I received a replacement watch. The whole process was annoyingly unexpected and, to say that I was not impressed, is putting it mildly.



Extend Ringtone

Don't know if recent OS updates can be the reason that my iPhone's ringtone was lasting a very short time all I know is that it wasn't lasting. Had to rummage around to find the pad key solution, so, for those of you who need to extend the time your phone rings before stopping or forwarding to voicemail, here are a selection for you:

1. Open the Phone app: Access the phone app on your device.
2. Dial the appropriate code: Enter the dial code specific to your network provider e.g., 61*101\[time]# for Telstra,
3. Replace [time]: Replace the "[time]" with the desired ring time in seconds (e.g., 15, 20, 25, or 30).
4. Press Call: Dial the code by pressing the call button.
5. Confirmation: A message on your phone will usually indicate that the ring time has been changed.

Examples of dial codes by provider:

- Telstra: **61*101**[time]#.
- Optus: **61*321**[time]#.
- Vodafone: **61*121*11*[time]#.
- Aldi : **61*101**[time]#



iPhone 16e TV ad



This has got to be one of the best TV advertisements by Apple - really delightful

https://www.google.com/search?client=safari&rls=en&q=tv+ad+for+apple+16s+iphone&ie=UTF-8&oe=UTF-8#fpstate=ive&vld=cid:87ecf599,vid:I-j_SMn8RRc,st:0

Tipps App

In the Tipps app, you can learn how to personalize your Lock Screen, how to schedule a text message to send later, how to mute calls with your AirPods, and much more. New tips are added regularly.

To start learning, go to the Tipps app tap a collection, then tap a tip. In the Tipps app, you can learn how to personalize your Lock Screen, how to schedule a text message to send later, how to mute calls with your AirPods, and much more. New tips are added regularly.

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Here Are The 8 New Emoji Apple Brought To Your iPhone With iOS 18.4

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- Face with bags under eyes.
- Fingerprint.
- Splatter.
- Root vegetable.
- Leafless tree.
- Harp.
- Shovel.
- Flag of Sark.



Visual Intelligence comes to the iPhone 15 Pro series

Visual intelligence is a type of artificial intelligence (AI) that enables devices, like iPhones, to understand and react to visual data, such as images and text, through the camera. It leverages advanced AI to analyze images, recognize objects and places, and provide information or perform actions based on the visual input.

Here's a more detailed breakdown of what visual intelligence can do:



1. Object and Place Recognition:

- Identify Objects and Places:
- Visual intelligence can identify objects, animals, plants, and places in real-time.
- Provide Information:
After identifying an object or place, it can provide information like opening a website, showing Google results, or describing the object/place.
- Facilitate Shopping:
It can help you find online stores to purchase an item you've photographed, or find similar items.

2. Text Recognition and Interaction:

- Read Aloud: It can read aloud text captured by the camera.
- Translate Text: It can translate text in real-time, making it easier to understand foreign languages.
- Interact with Contact Information:
It can identify phone numbers, email addresses, and websites in text and allow you to call, email, or visit the website.

3. Summarization and Understanding

Summarize Text: It can provide a short summary of a text you've captured with the camera.

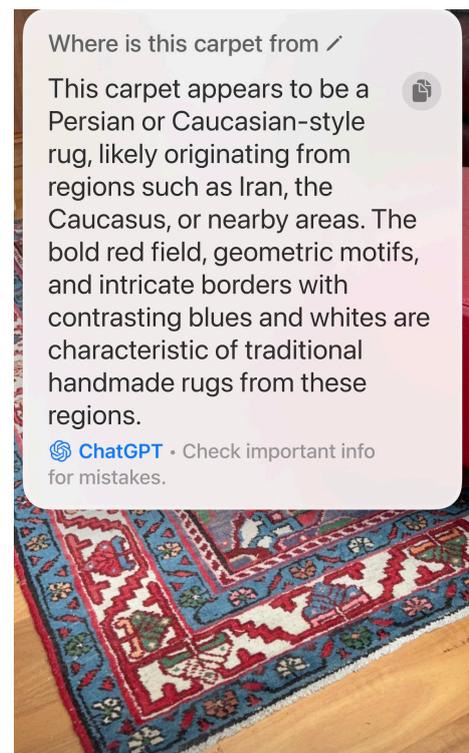
- Answer Questions: It can answer questions about the image or object you've captured by

leveraging AI like chat GPT.

4. Other Capabilities:

- Image Wand: A new tool in the Notes app that allows users to create images within notes using written or visual context.
- Genmoji: Creates custom emojis based on your notes.
- Image Playground: Allows users to generate images based on text prompts, using a new interface in the Notes app.

In essence, visual intelligence transforms your camera into a powerful tool for interacting with the world around you, allowing you to learn about objects and places, interact with text, and even create dynamic content



Visual intelligence information of my Persian rug, which is correct.



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