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Our next SAAUC (Zoom) meeting is…

Thursday 5th June, 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:

Thursday 4th June: Safari - The Apple browser competes with other browsers but there are probably recent new features not known of in Safari. -

WWDC 9th - 13th June- Apple's annual World Wide Developers Conference where the latest in software is on display and the next upgrades to all OSs are presented.

> Monthly meetings have changed to the first Thursday of each month commencing June 5th 2025

A word from our President...

Finally some rain in South Australia. No matter how smart we think we are with the advantages of a sophisticated high tech society, we're no match for mother nature.

Like many companies around the world, Apple will be challenged by the tariffs the Trump Government is putting on goods entering the USA. It remains to be seen how we might be affected in Australia - what increase to prices will we see here in September when the next iPhone 17 is released. Other challenges to Apple are other companies, such as Google's, development of AI. It will be interesting to see what Apple can produce at the World Wide Developers' Conference (WWDC) on 9th June. They have struggled to deliver so far, so there is an expectation that next iterations of OS will deliver something special. Apple usually puts on a good show for WWDC which we will be able to see in Adelaide from the morning of 10th June.

Regards

Marie Good

Apple
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.

Markup Tool

Apple's **Markup tool** is a built-in feature on iOS, iPadOS, and macOS that allows you to annotate images, screenshots, PDFs, and more. Here's how to use it depending on the device you're on:

📱 **On iPhone or iPad**

1. Accessing Markup

You can open Markup in several ways:

- **Photos app:** Open a photo → Tap **Edit** → Tap the **Markup** button (a pen tip inside a circle).

- **Screenshots:** Right after taking a screenshot, tap the thumbnail → You'll be in Markup.

- **Files app (PDFs):** Open a PDF → Tap the **Markup** icon.

- **Mail:** While composing an email, insert an image or PDF → Tap it → Tap the **Markup** option.

2. Using Markup Tools

Once inside Markup, you'll see a toolbar at the bottom:

- ✏️ **Pen**: Draw solid lines.

- 🖊️ **Marker**: Draw thicker, semi-transparent lines.

- 🖍️ **Pencil**: Draw soft, shaded lines.

- ✂️ **Lasso Tool**: Select and move your drawings.

- 🌈 **Color Picker**: Choose your line color.

- ➕ **Add Button**: Insert text, shapes, or signatures.

3. Shapes and Text

Tap the **+ (plus) button** to:

- Add **Text**

- Insert **Shapes** like rectangles, circles, arrows, or speech bubbles.

- Add a **Signature** (drawn with your finger or Apple Pencil)

4. Saving or Sharing

Tap **Done**:

- In **Photos**, this will save your edits to the image.

- In **Mail**, your markup will be included in the message.

- In **Files**, the PDF will be saved with annotations.

💻 On Mac (macOS)

1. Open Markup

- **Quick Look:** Select a file (like a PDF or image) → Press spacebar → Click the **Markup** icon (a pen tip).

- **Preview app:** Open your file in Preview → Click the **Markup Toolbar** button.

2. Tools Available

You'll get similar tools:

- Draw, highlight, add shapes and text

- Add comments, sign documents, and crop images.

Tips

- On iPad, using **Apple Pencil** gives you more precision.

- You can undo actions with a two-finger tap or the undo button.

- Signatures added in Markup are saved for reuse later.

Ⓐ Markup Tools explained

Markup Color Palette

The **Markup Color Palette** gives you complete control over the look and feel of your annotations and drawings. You can select, change, and customize colors to fit your needs and preferences.

Scribble Tool
The Scribble tool lets you handwrite text directly on your iPad and it magically converts your handwriting into typed text.
*can be turned off in Apple Pencil settings

Eraser Tool
The Eraser tool removes markings you've made. You can remove entire objects with a tap (Object Eraser) or precisely erase portions of markings (Pixel Eraser).

Pencil Tool
The Pencil tool aims to replicate the feel of a traditional graphite pencil. It creates a thin, textured line with subtle shading variations for sketching.

Pen Tool
The Pen tool creates a thin, precise line that's perfect for detailed drawings, writing, or adding annotations to an image or document.
Think of it as your "Virtual Flair Pen"! ✒

Lasso Tool
The Lasso tool lets you precisely select and move, cut, or copy specific parts of a drawing or annotation.
Think of this as your "Virtual Exacto" knife! ✎

Crayon Tool
The Crayon tool gives you that classic, waxy look and feel of a real crayon! It creates a textured, slightly grainy line with a rich, vibrant color.

Fine Tip Pen Tool
The Fine Tip Pen tool provides a very thin, consistent line weight, ideal for detailed work, precise annotations, or small handwriting.
Think of it as your "Virtual Sharpie"! ✎

Image Wand
The Image Wand, introduced in iOS 18.2, is a powerful tool that uses AI to generate images. It brings your sketches to life or creates images based on the context of your notes.
*Click on image to learn more about Image Wand. Available on Apple Intelligence supported devices.

Calligraphy Tool
The Calligraphy tool brings the elegance of handwritten calligraphy to your digital creations. It produces beautiful, flowing lines with varying thickness that mimic the strokes of a calligraphy pen.

Highlighter Tool
The Highlighter tool is for highlighting text, it can also be used as a broader marker for coloring in areas or creating a more washed-out, translucent effect in drawings.

Ruler Tool
The Ruler tool helps you draw perfectly straight lines and position elements with precision.

Watercolor Tool
The Watercolor tool creates a soft, translucent brush stroke with a slightly feathered edge, just like a real watercolor brush. Add washes of color, create gradients, and blend hues together for a painterly look.

Apple Car Play Ultra

Apple has officially launched CarPlay Ultra, the next generation of its in-car infotainment system, debuting with new Aston Martin vehicles in the US and Canada. The system will also be rolled out to existing compatible models in the coming weeks. Additional manufacturers like Hyundai, Kia, and Genesis are preparing to integrate CarPlay Ultra, though other previously committed brands such as Porsche have not yet announced availability.

Key Features of CarPlay Ultra

1. Full Dashboard Integration
CarPlay Ultra extends beyond the center infotainment screen to encompass the entire dashboard, including the instrument cluster. This integration allows for the display of vehicle data such as speed, gear, RPM, and tire pressure alongside navigation and media controls.

2. Deep Vehicle Integration
The system offers control over various car functions, including climate settings, radio, and performance features, directly through the CarPlay interface. This deep integration provides a seamless experience between the iPhone and the vehicle's systems.

3. Customizable Interface
CarPlay Ultra allows for extensive customization, enabling drivers to personalize the layout and appearance of the interface. Automakers can also tailor the system to reflect their brand's unique look and feel.

4. Enhanced Siri Functionality
Siri remains a core feature, offering voice control over various functions such as navigation, media playback, and climate adjustments, enhancing hands-free operation and safety.

5. Widget Support
The new system supports widgets that provide glanceable information, including navigation directions, media playback, and vehicle statistics like fuel level and tire pressure, enhancing the driver's access to essential information.

6. Third-Party App Integration
With iOS 18.5, CarPlay now supports third-party navigation apps such as Google Maps and Waze, offering users more flexibility in choosing their preferred navigation tools.

Availability and Compatibility

CarPlay Ultra requires an iPhone 12 or later running iOS 18.5 or newer. It is currently available in new Aston Martin models, including the DBX SUV, Vantage, DB12, and Vanquish, in the US and Canada. Existing compatible models will receive the update in the coming weeks.

Other automakers such as Hyundai, Kia, and Genesis are expected to adopt CarPlay Ultra in the near future, expanding its availability to a broader range of vehicles.

AIR TAGS

Word is that a second version of Air Tags are about to be released which will have a wider tracking distance range. They can be very useful to locate otherwise lost items e.g. keys, cars, luggage, handbags, pets, children? 😳

🔍 What Are AirTags?

- **Size:** About the size of a coin (1.26 inches in diameter)

- **Battery:** Replaceable CR2032 coin battery (lasts ~1 year)

- **Connectivity:** Uses Bluetooth and **Ultra-Wideband (UWB)** (on iPhone 11 and newer)

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- **Water Resistance:** IP67 rated (splash and water resistant)

🧭 How Do AirTags Work?

- They connect to your iPhone via **Bluetooth**.

- If you lose an item, the AirTag sends a secure Bluetooth signal that can be detected by nearby **Apple devices** in the Find My network.

- Location info is encrypted and anonymous.

- You can **see the item's location** in the **Find My** app.

📲 How to Set Up an AirTag

1. **Pull the tab** to activate the battery.

2. Hold it near your iPhone.

3. A popup will appear—tap **Connect**.

4. Choose a name (like "Keys") or create a custom one.

5. Link it to your Apple ID.

Note: You need iOS 14.5 or later to use AirTags.

🗺️ Key Features

1. Precision Finding (iPhone 11 and newer)

- Uses Ultra-Wideband to show you direction and distance.

- Get on-screen arrows and haptics to guide you to the AirTag.

2. Play Sound

- Make the AirTag play a sound to help locate it.

3. Lost Mode

- Mark your AirTag as lost.

- If found, someone can tap it with their NFC-enabled phone to see a message you set.

4. Separation Alerts

- Get notified if you leave something behind (like your keys).

🔒 Privacy & Security

- Location data is end-to-end encrypted.

- Only you can see where your AirTag is.

- Anti-stalking features: if an unknown AirTag is moving with you, your iPhone will alert you.

🛍️ Accessories

AirTags don't have a keyring hole, so Apple sells accessories like:

- Keyrings

- Loops

- Luggage tags

- Third-party cases

🔧 Replace Battery

1. Press down on the stainless steel back and twist counterclockwise.

2. Replace the CR2032 battery (watch for batteries with child-resistant coatings—they may not work).

3. Twist the back on clockwise.

FIND MY

The Find My app can do more than locate an Air Tag.

🧭 **What Can You Do with Find My?**

🔍 **Locate Devices**

Find the location of:

- iPhones, iPads, Macs, Apple Watches, AirPods, and AirTags

- Items using **Find My network** (like supported third-party accessories)

You can:

- See a device's real-time location on a map

- Make it **play a sound**

- **Mark it as lost**

- **Erase it remotely**

👥 **Find Friends & Family**

With **Find My Friends** integrated:

- Share your location with people you trust

- See the live location of friends/ family who share with you

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- Get **notifications** (e.g., when someone leaves or arrives somewhere)

Works great for keeping tabs on kids, coordinating meetups, or checking in on elderly relatives.

📦 **Find Items (AirTags + Accessories)**

Track items with:

- **AirTags**

- **Find My-enabled third-party accessories** (like wallets, bikes, headphones)

You can:

- View last known location

- Use **Precision Finding** (on supported iPhones)

- Get **Separation Alerts** if you leave an item behind

📱 **How to Use It**

On iPhone or iPad:

1. Open the **Find My** app.

2. Tabs at the bottom:

- **People**: View/share location with contacts

- **Devices**: See all your Apple devices

- **Items**: See AirTags and other tracked items

- **Me**: Control location sharing settings

On Mac:

- Open **Find My** from Applications or via Spotlight.

On Web:

- Go to iCloud.com/find

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✅ **How to Enable Find My**

For Devices:

- **Settings** → [your name] → **Find My**

  - Turn on **Find My iPhone/iPad/Mac**

  - Also enable **Find My network** and **Send Last Location**

  For Sharing Location:

  - **Settings** → [your name] → **Find My** → **Share My Location**

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