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Apple User Group seeks help!

Brisbane, July 5

Apple-Q, the Brisbane Apple Users Group is suffering from a lack of contributions for its magazine.

The situation has reached the stage where the Chairman, Peter Newland, said, "Perhaps a change in visual format will stimulate the latent journalistic talent within the Group."

He added that almost any type of written communication would be suitable for publication, program reviews, programming tricks, advertisements for user written software or even Letters to the Editor would be acceptable.

Over the last few years the Magazine had enjoyed some degree of success, but of late there had been a marked lack of contributions.

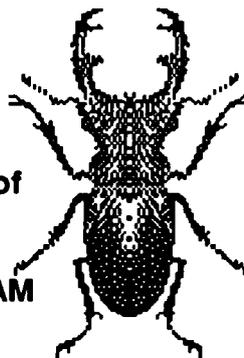
"Everyone is waiting for the 'other guy' to move first", Mr Newland said, "and consequently everyone is doing nothing and nothing is being done by all members at the same time leading to a serious communication drought."

The Group currently has nearly 200 members and the Magazine is the only contact that some of the country members have with the wider Apple community.

Mr Newland lamented that over the last few months the production of the Magazine had fallen to himself and Mr Graham Hannam placing a heavy burden on their supply of words, phrases and sentences.

Collectors
Corner

Beware of
the
dreaded
PROGRAM
BUG



Librarian lost on weekends

Chermside, June 19

The User Group's Librarian, Mr Robert Godbehere has had his work shifts changed resulting in his inability to attend Group Open Days.

This has led him to temporarily relinquish as User Group Software Librarian. The post will be filled by Jack Carroll until the next AGM.

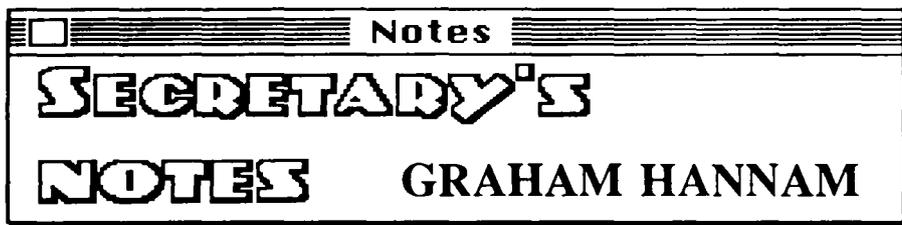
IBM CLONE AT APPLE MEETING

Chermside, 17 June

Concerned members thought Apple had released a new model without telling anyone except one member of the Group.

Fortunately this was not true, Bruce had just brought along his new portable COMPAQ for us to see.

Another example of the absolute freedom enjoyed by our members was the fact that he was allowed to stay.



Giant Book Display

Chermside, 17 June

At the June meeting we were presented with an excellent display of Apple Computer Books.

BCF Bookshop, Elizabeth St put considerable effort into providing the best book display seen at a Group meeting for a long time.

The Acting Secretary, Graham Hannam, spoke to Jamie Woodcock, from BCF, who presented this display, and he said he was delighted with the response by the members.

As a result he has been invited to visit the Group at three month intervals thereby giving members the opportunity to see what new publications of interest to Apple owners and users are available.

AGM ... soon

Brisbane, July 30

The Apple-Q User Group will hold its AGM in September this year.

The Acting Secretary, Mr Graham Hannam, said in an interview conducted late in the evening, the the Group had for the last few years held its AGM up to one month late.

Since the Group was formed in 1981 it has been managed by the same committee with only a few minor changes from year to year. The aims and objects of the Group have remained very much the same throughout this period and membership has been seen to steadily grow.

The basic philosophy of providing a venue for information sharing and fellowship along with the freedom of not being tied down to a tight meeting format seems to have worked. It is the Committees hope this format will continue in the future. I have enjoyed working on the Committee and I feel sure that the same can be said for each of the other members. However there comes a time when some of them feel that they will have to step down from their present positions thus making room for other members of the Group who may be chafing at the bit and keen to express their ideas on how to run a good User Group such as ours.

As our General Meeting is only

three months away now is the time to give serious consideration to just who you would like to nominate for the various positions on the Management Committee.

Open Day Phone Number

A method of contacting members while they are at the Open Day has been arranged.

Although somem members may not be aware there is a telephone connected to the Pre-school Annex (at the Hooper Education Centre where we hold our Open Day metings).

There has been need in the past for members to be contacted while at our meetings by family members etc.

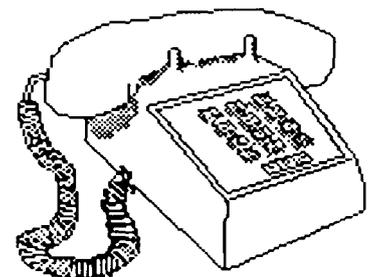
The Acting Secretary, Graham Hannam, spoke with the Administrator of the Hooper Centre last week and obtained permission to publish the number in this issue of the Newsletter.

The number is

(07) 350 2955

Please note that this is for the Pre-School Annex only and NOT the Hooper Centre itself.

Note also that the phone is key locked and outgoing calls cannot



Trading hours: 11.30 am - 3.30 pm.



NEW JOYSTICKS NOT AVAILABLE YET

Brisbane, 30 June

Mr Graham Black, Trading Table Convener said in a telephone interview today, that the popular joystick for the Apple][had been a great success over the last few meetings.

For those who missed out a new shipment of joysticks for the Apple][has ben obtained and they will be on sale at the next Open Day.

There had been a number of enquiries, however, for a model which would connect to the Apple //e. Mr Black said that this required a DB9 connector for those people who did not wish to take the top off their Apple.

Strenuous efforts are being made and it is hoped to have some of this later type available real soon now.

MEMBERS MAKE TRADING TABLE A SUCCESS

The Trading Table set up each Open Day has been one of our most successful ventures.

Originally started as a means of members selling second hand equipment to each other it has blossomed into quite a complex business venture offering a diverse range of items which

are not generally available from the usual Apple Dealers.

The Trading Table is in no way attempting to be a serious competitive threat to established Apple Dealers.

Some items, such as disks are certainly available a a bulk buying discount but we also offer items such as ribbons for odd brand printers and perspex keyboard covers.

APPLE TALK

Unfounded rumours and other ramblings from doubtful sources.

Apple to announce new machines in August/September

This one has been current in numerous overseas magazines for the last few months.

Colour Mac due shortly.

An old standby ever since the Mac was introduced various pundits have promised a colour version... we are certainly not taking bets.

New Apple //e (or whatever it is called) will have a separate keyboard.

Probably fairly accurate if the European market is to be addressed. Many countries there demand separate keyboards.

Internal 3.5inch drive for the Apple //c

Why not? it would certainly make sense and there seems to be enough room in there.

16 bit chips and higher-res screens for the //e

The 16 bit chip has been runoured for at least 3 years and would give the //e a whole new lease of life - the higher-res screen (with 'proper' white text) is overdue.

LaserWriter support for the Apple //e and //c

Probably would not be too hard and has been mentioned once or twice in overseas literature.

UNCLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

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Apple-Q User Group Newsletter Advertising Rates

Members advertising personally owned items for private sale to other members

NOTHING

Advertisements may be handed to the Trading Table for publication in the next months Newsletter

WHAT'S WHEN

Sunday 20 JULY 1986
Open day at the Hooper Centre

Monday 21 JULY 1986
Committee meeting

Sunday 17 AUGUST 1986
Open day at the Hooper Centre

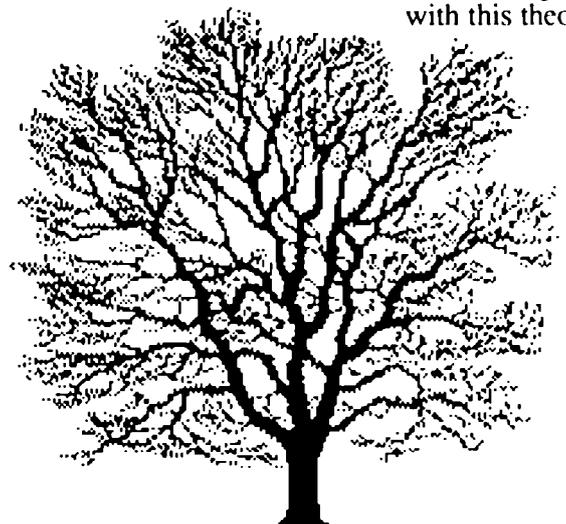
Monday 18 AUGUST 1986
Committee meeting

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Apple][, //e, //c & Mac –
the reason for it all!
(and Apple /// & Lisa!)

A rare photograph
believed to be
Pascal B-Tree
structure, although
some skeptics
have disagreed
with this theory.



Credits

Editor: Peter Pegg (away)
Assistant Editor: Graham Hannam (doing it!)
Chairman: Peter Newland

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