
Subject: 3 Cards?

Posted by [cujo](#) on Wed, 13 Dec 2006 14:56:43 GMT

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>it. Then I forgot to save the presets, but hey, that's the way it goes.

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>TCBWhere's the fuel? You mean you finally noticed that Apple has gone to Intel for hardware designs, and onboard graphics on the low end models?

This is pretty old news. When Apple announced the Intel switch more than a year ago, this was one of the reasons given. The Macbook is their low end laptop, and probably the biggest cost reduction was using the

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Posted by [Phil Aiken](#) on Wed, 13 Dec 2006 15:03:46 GMT

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onboard graphics instead of something snazzier. The Macbook Pro has the snazzier stuff, but it's still off the shelf with OSX drivers. Apple doesn't and hasn't ever AFAIK developed their own graphics chipsets.

Well heck, they don't develop their own CPUs either, although I imagine they give input to those companies. Up until last year Apple chose different CPU models than were blessed by Microsoft, and tried to gain an advantage from the differences. Now they are using the same CPUs that Microsoft likes, so any advantage is going to be from design and software.

I like Apple's desktop case design. Really easy to get into and change memory, drives, etc.; quiet and cool running airflow. The laptop designs have varied at accessibility, sometimes compromising for thinness. For example my PowerBook is easy to access for memory upgrades but not for HD upgrades. That may have changed in the new ones.

Mac laptop sales are rising, other manufacturers are copying their form factor, but if you ever buy one (other than overpaying for a Macbook for someone else, and then complaining about it) I'll be amazed. Sorry you had to subject yourself to working on a Mac today, but even sorrier you had to infect it with XP. ;^)

Cheers,

-Jamie

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Subject: Re: 3 Cards?

Posted by [cujo](#) on Wed, 13 Dec 2006 15:18:01 GMT

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wrote:

> So, I had to set up XP on a Mac Book today. The child of an important person
> on my office had one and, surprise, most of the games a 12 year old likes
> to play don't have Mac versions.

>

> So, once and for all I can put to rest the notion that Apple hardware is
> somehow 'super special' and thus justifies the higher price. Intel chipset,
> Intel integrated graphics, Atheros wireless, Marvell NIC, generic firewire
> controller. The CD/DVD burner was the slot loading kind, so that's slightly
> cool (unless you want to pop out the CD before the machine boots when it's
> nice to have a physical switch), but that's about the only thing unusual
> about the hardware. If you were to show me the XP device list for a Mac Book
> and the same list from a Dell 640m (two of which I've also set up recently)
> I would have given a _slight_ preference to the Dell, mostly because it uses
> an Intel wireless chipset that does b/g/n and bluetooth on one chip, and
> I've had very good luck with those wireless cards. A 640m also has a larger
> screen and costs around \$750.

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> In better news, I wound up on modular synth dreamland for about five hours
> last night, wiring up my John Bowen Pro Wave into modular patches and using
> it to feed vocoders and all of the things that make computer recording worth
> it. Then I forgot to save the presets, but hey, that's the way it goes.

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> TCB"Tony Benson" <tony@standinghampton.com> wrote:

>James,

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>I made a promise

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Posted by [Sound Dog](#) on Wed, 13 Dec 2006 15:37:28 GMT

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because of Windows compatibility and software.

>> I said check it out, because you don't know until you check it out

>> completely.

>> it is windows compatible. I stated the features, design and user interface

>> are superior. It's not as big and bulky as its competitors. It's a

>> smaller

>> sleeker design with a 3.5 LCD. The UI is obviously more advanced, they

>> can

>> create new user interfaces in software in to the future to add more

>> features

>> and software. It has better features like rich HTML web pages with zoom

>> in, web pages look like web pages, landscape viewing, text to voice etc.

>> It's best to go get an education on it and watch the video before you

rip

>> on it just because it's an Apple product.

>>

>> Yes, the video is a sales pitch! It's also a demo of the products. It's

>> always a good thing to know what your talking about first hand, especially

>> when your going to bash something.

>>

>> James

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>> "Martin Harrington" <lendan@bigpond.net.au> wrote:

>>>Hmmm, A "Zealot" calling the kettle black.

>>>I hope you re-read some of your recent posts in a week or two and discover

>>

>>>what we all see.

>>>--

>>>Martin Harrington

>>>www.lendanear-sound.com

>>>

>>>"James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote in message

>>>news:45a5ca84\$1@linux...

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>>>> "LaMont" <jjdpro@ameritech.net> wrote:

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>>>>>The Treo 700wx does all those things: With a touch screen to boot.

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>>>>>And while the Iphone syncs perfectly with itunes, the Tr

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Posted by [Carl Amburn](#) on Wed, 13 Dec 2006 16:24:13 GMT
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ut Windows Media Player, is that they have

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>>>> copied

>>>> the itunes interface, Aqua theme/look, even the Itunes logo with the

>>>> aqua

>>>> musical note and the CD. It's all hard to not notice MS's blatant rip

>> off

>>>>>> proposition. Sometimes engineers earn their fans.
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>>>>>> In this case, it looks like Apple's engineers have done something
>>>>>> different from other options, with some unique interactive features
>>> and
>>>>>>
>>>>>> UI implem

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surprising. But somebody pointing to a new
>>>product
>>>>>>from a computer co and getting sarcasm, disgust, resentment and
>>>>>>mockery just makes no sense.
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>>>>>>Ted
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>>>>>>"James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:
>>>>>>
>>>>>>>Well Martin, you can call me a Mac zealot, but it's not exactly true.
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>>>>>Unlike
>>>>>>>you, I use and own both PCs and Macs. I actually use my PCs on a
regular
>>>>>>>basis. I've used PCs longer than I've used Macs, by about ten years.
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>>>>>I've
>>>>>>>been a licensed and authorized computer dealer. I've bought, sold,
>>and
>>>>>>built
>>>>>>>many PCs
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>>>>>>>I think windows XP is a great improvement over MS's past operating
>systems.
>>>>>>> I wish there was a feature or two in Mac OSX that Windows XP has,
>but
>>>>>>>that's
>>>>>>>where it ends. I prefer Mac OSX to Windows because Windows machines
>>>are
>>>>>>>a major PITA to deal with.
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>>>>>>>There are many other reasons why I don't like MS, one of which is
all
>>>>the

>>>>>>stuff they have ripped off from Apple. It's funny when people say
>MS/PC
>>>>>>stuff is great and anything Apple sucks, when MS stole it from Apple.
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>>>>>Some
>>>>>>recent examples are, Media player, Vista, and Zune. MS just announced
>>>>>at
>>>>>>CES, that they are going to come out with set top boxes that are like
>>>>the
>>>>>>Apple TV box. MS/Sony's will be round instead of square, but what
>color?
>>>>>> Gloss white like the apple products! It's the same thing. Hey,
may
>>>>be
>>>>>>MS's branded products will be shit brown like the LG products. LOL!
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>>>>>>I mention new products to give people here a heads up here. I have
>>mention
>>>>>>all kinds of products including PC only products. It's the Mac bashing!
>>>>>> You can't mention any thing Mac or Apple without some bashing here.
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>>>>It's
>>>>>>always the same guys. You have stated in the past that Mac OSX crashes.
>>>>>> That the guys you work with have told you and you've see it. I've
>>been
>>>>>>using Mac OSX every day for over five years now with out a crash.

>I
>>>think
>>>>>>the other Mac guys here would tell you pretty much the same thing.
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>>I
>>>>don't
>>>>>>know why they would have so much problems, but OSX is for the most
>part
>>>>>>problem
>>>>>>free for most users. To state other wise is not correct generally
>speaking,
>>>>>>and sounds like typical mac bashing.
>>>>>>
>>>>>>>I've never had a virus on a
