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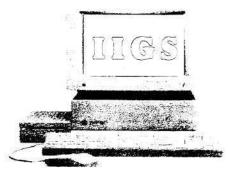
Enhancing Your Apple IIGS

by Alexander Sigfried, RNAUG

Remember when you bought your Apple IIGS? It came with one or two 3.5" disk drives. 1 Meg of RAM, and maybe also a 5.25" disk drive to maintain more compatibility with the Apple II line. All in all, a GS with that configuration is about the same as an old Apple IIe with more memory and twice the speed. But GS/OS v5.0 and later versions, and applications like AppleWorks GS or GraphicWriter 3.01 require more hardware to be able to work comfortably.

First of all: if you do not have a hard drive, GET ONE!!! A full-featured version of GS/OS v6.01 requires about two to five megabytes of disk space. You might want to enhance your GS/OS with some more fonts or sounds or NDAs, etc. I have a 40MB hard drive, which is enough for me. In general, a hard drive should have about twice the amount of space that you think you need.

GS/OS v6.01 not only needs a lot of disk space, it also needs a large amount of RAM. Two to four "Meg" are nice to work with. Apple-Works GS won't allow you to have a page layout docuand ment spreadsheet file opened simultaneously with only one megabyte.



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Macintosh Book Review Voodoo Mac

by Charles N. Onufer, RNAUG

Kay Yarborough Nelson's book, *Voodoo Mac*, attempts to bring out the magic of the computer as a creative media in our society, and specifically, the voodoo magic that one can experience with the Macintosh. She prides herself in making the book readable for all skill levels of Mac users. There are tips and tricks for the beginner as well as the advanced Mac user.

This book applies to all Mac users; those using System 6.X as well as 7.X. There are tips for both with comparative information. Some tips are described specifically for certain Mac models. There's a nice beginner section of how to modify the menu and other icons with Res-Edit...for the more spunky in the group. There is a small section on connectivity, modems and SCSI devices. Every section is capsulated and emphasizes leading points while not dragging you through pages of detailed information that may be above or below your level.

Even though the book is neatly divided into sections (finder, menu, desktop, disk and drive tricks, printing, connectivity, memory and installation tips), one has to read each section to determine if the information is applicable to their level or experience. My major criticism of the book is that Ms. Nelson doesn't include a summary of all her tips and tricks so one can rapidly go to a quick reference in order to utilize the information without wading through chapter by chapter trying to remember where she hid a specific great tip.

Below, I attempted to summarize some of her System 7.X tips and tricks so you could get a small impression of her book and at the same time have at your finger tips some valuable information that you can apply on the spot. After spending several hours developing the summary below, I quickly realized that it is not easy to summarize her entire book into a table, as many sections contain meaty explanations that cannot be reduced to a command key shortcut.

Aliases:

- Make an alias of the "Apple Menu Items" in the system folder. Place it on the desktop. In order to launch applications or files from the Apple Menu, make an alias of the application or file and place it in the desktop alias for Apple Menu Items.
 Then, you can avoid opening the system folder each time to dump an application or file alias into the Apple Menu Items folder.
- Find the original of an alias: press OPTION and double-click on an alias OR highlight the alias, choose Get Info, and click on the Find Original button in the bottom right corner of the Get Info box.

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Icon & File Tricks:

- Rename a icon: Click on the icon and press return: type in new name of icon; made a mistake, press 🖭 🗾 to undo the typing.
- Highlight several icons in a folder: draw a marquee around the icons; to add another icon to the marquee group, shift and click on the new icon OR to unhighlight an icon, shift and click on the undesired icon.
- Moving from one icon to another in a folder: highlight an icon and press TAB to go to the next icon in alphabetical order OR SHIFT TAB to go reverse.
- To eject a floppy: highlight the floppy icon and press 🖭 🗓 to eject.
- Drag and Drop to open a document: highlight and drag a document and drop it onto the application's icon to open it.
 Sometimes will work for documents created in other applications.
 - To close an open window: press 🕱 👿 .
- Getting to the desktop-and to another drive: press 🖫 🖸 while in a dialogue box.
 - To expand a folder: ③ OPTION →
 - To compress a folder: 🗵 OPTION 🖃

Menu Magic:

- To make the symbol: OPTION SHIFT K.
- To place seldom-used items under the Apple menu to the bottom: add the symbol before the name of the item; eg:
 Puzzle.
- To force frequently-used items under the Apple menu to the top: place a space before the name of the item OR add two spaces or three spaces to cluster items together at the top.
 - To make a ◊ symbol: OPTION SHIFT V
 - To make a bullet symbol (•): OPTION ■.
 To cluster items under the Apple menu: add the ◊ or •
- To cluster items under the Apple menu: add the 0 or symbols before the name of the item.
 - To open a file and close the active window: press

 → OPTION O.
- To delete a locked file: Press OPTION while you drag in to
- Unassigned Finder key combinations> Commands -B, -H, -J, -K, -L, -M, -Q, -R, -S, -T, and -U. These can be assigned to: Trash, Shut Down, Restart, Make Alias, etc. using Res-Edit v2.1. see pages 53-59.

Startup Key Combinations:

- Disable INITs: press SHIFT .
- Bypass any disk in an internal floppy drive: press Mouse button.
- Bypass the internal hard disk and start from the first SCSI device: press 🕱 OPTION SHIFT DEL.
 - Bypass the internal hard disk (ADB keyboard):
 - SHIFT BACKSPACE .
 - Clear the PRAM: # OPTION P R.
 - Rebuild the desktop: * OPTION.
 - Rebuild the desktop without restarting: at the Finder with

no applications running, press - OPTION - ESC (or the tilde key if no ESC), click on Force Quit button, then hold down - OPTION.

FKEY Magic:

- F SHFT Ejects a floppy disk from the external drive if you have two internal drives. If you don't have this setup, it works just like SHFT 1.
- 🔀 SHIFT 🔟 Ejects a floppy disk from the internal drive, leaving the graved disk image like 🗷 🗉 does.
- 😿 SHIFT 2 Ejects a floppy disk from the second external drive.
- ③ SHIFT 3 Takes a snapshot of the screen...saved as a PICT file and named Picture 1, Picture 2, etc.

Miscellaneous Voodoo Tricks:

- To install desk accessories in applications: use Font/DA mover (yes, even in System 7).
- Resetting HyperCard to higher levels (comes as level 2, ie: typing): start HyperCard and go to the last card. Press

 M for Message. In the Message box at the bottom of the screen, type "magic" and press RETURN. Then click level 5, Scripting, and you'll have access to all five levels. Magic!
 - · Secret Chicago (TrueType Font) symbols:

Control-S - solid diamond (♦)

Control-P – open Apple logo (♂)

Control-R - check mark (✓)

Control-T – solid Apple logo (€)

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Option-hyphen	En dash	_
Option-Shift-hyphen	Em dash	
Option-[Opening double quote	X+CI
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Option-]	Opening single quote	
Option-Shift-]	Closing single quote	1.
Option-w	Summation	Σ
Option-z	Omega	Ω
Option-Shift-1	Fraction bar	1
Option-Shift-8	Degree sign	0
Option-e	Acute accent	á
Option-~	Grave accent	à
Option-u	Umlaut	ä
Option-i	Caret	â
Option-n	Tilde	ñ

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Option-Shift-5

Option-Shift-6

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of MacUser and MacWorld magazines. Computer Pros of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, sold Harvey a PowerBook 165c with 12MB of RAM and a 120MB harddrive for \$2685.00.

Member Nick Shestople provided the Macintosh Disk of the Month with a selection of games and utilities from the extensive Public Domain Library of the BMUG (Berkeley Macintosh User Group). (By the way, if Nick's name is familiar to anyone who's been in USAREUR for over five years or so, he used to write a regular column for the Stars & Stripes on stamp collecting) Jim reminded all that with all our Disks of the Month, members are strongly encouraged to honor the shareware fees asked by the program authors if you find their program worth keeping. It also remains the strict policy of RNAUG to discourage the pirating (illegal copying) of software.

To the surprise of many in the meeting, we sadly learned from member Charles Onufer that long time member and Mac Special Interest Group Chairperson, Mike Vargo, was evacuated to the University Hospital at Ann Arbor, Michigan, seriously ill. Charles then circulated a get well card to be sent to Mike for all the members to sign. All our best wishes for your speedy recovery go out to you, Mike.

Cliff Sayer took the floor with his usual eclectic, if sometimes eccentric, observations on the world of Apple and computers in general.

Starting off Cliff displayed a Gary Larson-esque cartoon showing the souls going to heaven being issued Macintoshes, and those going to the other place getting IBM PCs.

In a factoid not related to the preceding cartoon (or is it?), Bill Gates, the (virtual) owner and (real) founder of Microsoft, is now worth \$6-7 BILLION!

The *Mac Home Journal* and *MacWorld*'s issue on the Performa line garnered recommended reading honors.

A flyer for the software version of the Standard American Dictionary was a case of mail-merge overkill. Cliff's name appeared 5-6 times—just on the envelope!

A question from the floor asked if the Apple StyleWriter inkjet printer worked with the IIGS. Yes it does, but you must be using GS/OS 6.0 or higher and one of the newer software packages for the IIGS — it doesn't work with text based applications like AppleWorks.

Several members pointed out that the harddrive retailer, LaCie, was having a big sale. Most notably, the speedy, low profile Quantum 170MB drives were selling for \$199.00 as internal drives and \$249.00 as external zero foot print drives (ZFP-it fits under a compact Mac or under a monitor). The drives come already formatted with LaCie's excellent universal harddrive management program, SilverLining, full sets of both System 6.0.8 and System 7.0.1, and a slew of utilities, demo programs, and other shareware/public domain programs.

Harddrive termination and the importance of having good SCSI cables was discussed by several members, most notably Ingo Richards who described his efforts to build his own SCSI terminator.

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Jim Clark announced that the annual RNAUG Flea Market would be held at the November meeting. This is for members desiring to buy sell or trade their pre-owned software and hardware. All software being sold must be on original disks. Treasurer Paul Kostelnik covered the items available from RNAUG, including disks and ribbons. He made mention that the Heidelberg Stars & Stripes store now has books on the Macintosh PowerBook. (Several Macintosh titles such as Mac for Dummies and the Macintosh Bible have also been seen in the Mannheim store.—Ed)

Ned Lang shared his impressions of the recent MacWorld Expo held in Frankfurt. The software exhibits primarily involved programs that enjoy greater popularity in Europe than in the U.S. The entire show was very heavy on desktop publishing and pre-press work. There were several demonstrations of direct digitalizing of images and QuickTime movies. Notable by their absence, however, were both Microsoft and Claris. Apple had a good display featuring the newly introduced Newton, but the crowds were such you couldn't get to one.

Jim gave some insight on the recent meteoric rise in SIMM memory prices. It seems that the production of SIMMs requires the use of a special epoxy made by only two factories in the world. One of them burned down. Doesn't look like memory prices will drop anytime soon.

Before breaking into Special Interest Groups, a motion was made to have RNAUG order 10 copies of *Mac Internet Tour Guide* to take advantage of the special bulk price rather than each member ordering on their own. Total cost would be \$140. Eight members indicated that they would be interested in purchasing the book, minimizing any risk to RNAUG of having unwanted books. The motion was seconded and carried by a majority show of hands.



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Finally, if you still have some money left, buy an accelerator. It adds the speed that is missing to make your work really convienent. There are two companies producing accelerator cards for the GS. Applied Engineering and Zip, Inc. Although the AE Transwarp card is advertised at running at 7MHz, it has just about the same speed as Zip's ZipChipGSX 9MHz board. The AE Transwarp takes a lot of energy from the power unit though, while the ZipChipGSX actually replaces your 65C816 CPU. The manual says that you can install the card anywhere from slot 2 to 4, but I had to plug mine into slot 3 because the cable that leads to the CPU connector is much too short to put the card anywhere else.

Apple IIGS News

New GS/OS Extras for the IIGS

by Alexander Siegfried, RNAUG FixFontMGR6.01

This INIT file will fix a bug in the GS/OS v6.01 Font Manager. When selecting a tont size in the "Choose Font..." dialog box that is not available, the computer will crash. Users of the font management program Pointless have often come across that problem. Simply copy the FixFontMGR6.01 Init file into your System. Setup folder. The program is freeware.

AutoMenus

This new CDEV will automatically open pull-down-menus for you. After installed and activated, moving the mouse on a menu title will open the menu. There is no need to hold down the mouse button any more. AutoMenus is shareware and costs only \$5.00.

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Under the Rug

...is a PIF (Permanent Init file) that will remove the trash can from your desktop so that children can't accidentally delete files. Under the Rug is \$3 shareware.

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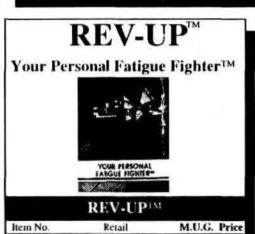
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Minutes of October Meeting

MacWorld Frankfurt Highlights

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President Jim Clark opened the October meeting by reviewing just of few of the newest handouts available for free to members at each meeting. Among them was another offer from Ventana Press for the *Mac Internet Tour Guide*, and an intriguing one from a firm named ADIA looking for Apple Performa representatives.

Jim reminded all that the next meeting is still on for 11 November, the U.S. Veterans Day holiday notwithstanding. RNAUG still needs volunteers to help with various User Group duties. Volunteering is a good training ground for future UG officers, and elections are coming up soon.

Jim then yielded the floor to member Harvey Brown who put in a pitch for the local Trinity Christian School: Harvey is a chaplain in Mannheim and is looking for someone to donate an old but usable external SCSI harddrive for use with a Mac Plus currently owned by the school. The school is willing to provide a receipt for tax deduction purposes.

Harvey then went on to describe his good fortune with one of those relatively unknown mail order firms that advertise Apple systems at low prices in those very small ads in the back

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Apology to the Membership Ooops! Late Issue Blues

I want to apologize to the RNAUG membership for the late issue. Believe me when I say that I have been through Purgatory over the last few weeks. Without going into too much detail, I began by falling victim to a conflict of extensions (I was experimenting with some new ones), my main hard drive got trashed by a bad SCSI cable which corrupted the driver, and my 44MB Syquest Cartridge Drive, which I use for all my backups, went belly up.

My thanks go to Harvey Brown, who lent me his IIsi, which I used to swap hard drives around in my efforts to recover my files; to Alexander Siegfried and Charles Onufer for their articles so I could get something of a newsletter out; and to the members of RNAUG for their patience.

-Hank Lavagnini, RNAUG Secretary

