
Apple Back in the Black!

At last week's Macworld Expo in San Francisco Steve Jobs announced that in the most recent fiscal quarter, "Apple had revenues of \$ 1.575 billion, and Apple Computer last quarter made a \$ 45 Million profit....I think I can tell you for sure that Apple is coming back."

Mac OS 8.1 Announced!

Mac OS 8.1 will be available in the U.S. and Canada in February, and Mac OS 8 customers may download the Mac OS 8.1 update free of charge from Apple's website or get a full install CD of Mac OS 8.1 for \$19.95 U.S. In addition to the usual raft of bug fixes and feature enhancements, Mac OS 8.1 will include the new HFS Plus disk format which will allow users of large hard drives to get the most out of their equipment. It will also boast Microsoft Internet Explorer as its default browser. DVD discs' Universal Data Format (UDF) will also be supported. Of course, Precursor Systems will let you know where to download in a future edition of our PDFNews.

Upgrade Cards to Make Old Macs Sing!

The recent Macworld Expo offered up a kaboodle of new Processor Upgrade cards for Macs. Newer Technologies and Sonnet Technologies both offer G3 upgrades for the Mac 73,75,76,85,86,95,9600 series. Sonnet also has a set of more reasonably priced 604e processors for these computers. And, in February, Newer will provide G3 cards for the PowerMac 61,71,8100 series as well as G3 Upgrades coming for the PowerBook 14,3400 series later in the year. (A 7100 never looked so good!).

Newer Technologies is at: <http://www.newertech.com>

Sonnet Technologies is at: <http://www.sonnettech.com>

Microsoft Office 98 to Debut on Mac!

What rivalry? Microsoft's new Office 98 will actually appear on Mac before the PC version is unveiled. According to Microsoft, "Office 98 also introduces revolutionary new technologies never before seen in desktop applications." It also has a true Mac-like look and feel as opposed to its Windows 95 down your throat predecessor. More importantly, according to reviewers, it has a new version of Word that is actually worth booting up! More info is available at:

<http://www.microsoft.com/macoffice/>