

Happy New Year!!!

FileMaker Pro 2.0

FileMaker Pro 2.0 has been released by Claris Corporation and will be the subject of a presentation and demo by Jim Foster at the upcoming membership meeting on Wednesday, January 27th, in Brooklin.

FileMaker has been around for many years but there are many Macintosh computer users who have not had the opportunity to become familiar with it. FileMaker belongs to a category of software applications called database applications or, more specifically, flat file databases. Many Macintosh users may think they have no need for a database application or may not know what a database application is. If so, you won't want to miss out on January's meeting.

Most of us have used a database at one time or another...you just may not have realized you were using one. A telephone directory is a database in printed format. Anything you have even seen in the form of a list could probably be said to be a database.

Sound kind of dry and uninteresting? Well, not with FileMaker! FileMaker's strong suit has always involved the ease and flexibility with which it allows the user to present the information contained in the database. It is an excellent 'forms generator' and is used in many large corporations to produce contractual documents.

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The latest version of FileMaker is called 'FileMaker Pro, vers. 2.0'. It is one of the best upgrades we have seen in a long time, in terms of incorporating some



really significant improvements without compromising any of its existing strengths.

In addition to participating in Jim's presentation, MaUsE members attending the January meeting will be able to walk away with a demonstration version of FileMaker Pro 2.0 for only the usual \$3.00 public domain disk charge. This demo version of FileMaker limits files to a maximum of 25 records and prints a banner in the background but is otherwise a virtually complete version of the actual program. Members can

then use this Demo copy on their own time to further evaluate FileMaker and to discover ways in which this program could be useful to them.

We look forward to seeing everyone out at the January meeting as MaUsE kicks off its biggest year ever!

President's Message

Double-Click Newsletter Editor, Hugh Anos, is still on an education sabbatical from his editorial duties, so this month's mailing is somewhat abbreviated. Just the Facts! Hopefully, Hugh will be able to return to Double-Click in the not-too-distant future.

In the meantime, this is perhaps a great opportunity to remind all members about the benefits of accessing our electronic bulletin board system (BBS) as an alternative way of keeping up to date on Macintosh news, getting your questions about Macintosh computers and software answered, and/or obtaining a wide variety of Macintosh public domain software.

Currently, over 50 MaUsE members and members of the public make use of the BBS and we have room for many more of you. All you require in order to access the BBS is a Macintosh computer, a modem, access to a telephone line for your modem, and the FirstClass™ software which is available from the club at no charge except for the \$3.00 disk cost. Phone calls to the BBS are a local call in the Oshawa area.

While we are proud of our Double-Click newsletter, the BBS allows you access to far more information in one week than we could ever put into a monthly newsletter. In addition, the BBS allows you to zero in on the specific information or materials that you need.

So, if Santa didn't come through with a modem for you at Christmas, there's no better time than the present for you to buy one and get online with everyone else. If you need any help at all in getting started on the BBS, please see Justin Derrick (ph: 728-1389; Oshawa) or myself (ph: 432-0921; Courtice) - we'd be happy to help.

New Membership Program Announced

All MaUsE members will find enclosed a personalized letter outlining details of our new membership renewal program and how it affects you.

We know this may be a little inconvenient for some of you, especially if you have just joined or renewed in the past several months. As we switch to a common timeframe for all membership renewals, however, we truly think that it will benefit everyone in the long run.

Under our old system where everyone's membership came due at different times, the Membership Coordinator and Secretary had a real job to do in constantly monitoring the membership records and mailing out reminders to people whose memberships were about to expire. Members also tended to forget when their renewals were due and needed these reminders. Under the new system, we should be able to wrap up the whole exercise every year in a 2 to 3 month period and then we can get on with enjoying the club instead of worrying all year about finances.

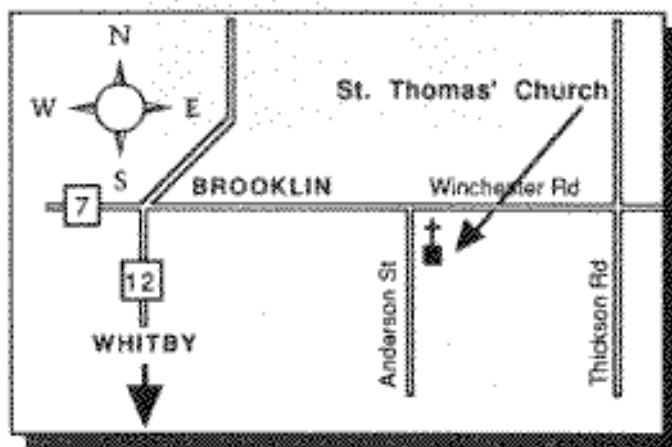
Also new with this change is our new membership database and renewal form. We think that we are requesting much more relevant data from each of you and that, once all the forms are returned and the information is keyed into our database, we will be able to print out a very interesting profile of the current MaUsE membership. This will help your Executive to guide the club in directions which will be of most benefit to the overall membership.

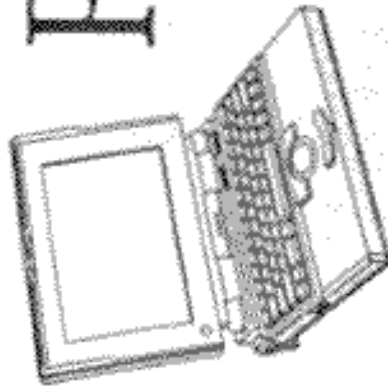
We hope that all of our existing members will want to renew their memberships. We feel that we have gotten much more professional during 1992 and that 1993 will be an even better year for everyone. In addition, by renewing promptly, you will continue to pay the existing rate of just \$35 per year. It is possible that, later in 1992, it may be necessary to raise our annual membership fees for new members and paying now guarantees you the existing rate through to March 31, 1994.

For only about \$3.00 per month, MaUsE members get:

- the Double-Click newsletter;
- monthly meetings on a wide variety of subjects;
- access to the MaUsE Public Domain software library;
- Technical support from the Executive & other members; and
- free access to the BEST Macintosh electronic BBS in the area





















We hope you will agree that this is the best investment you can make after purchasing your Macintosh computer!





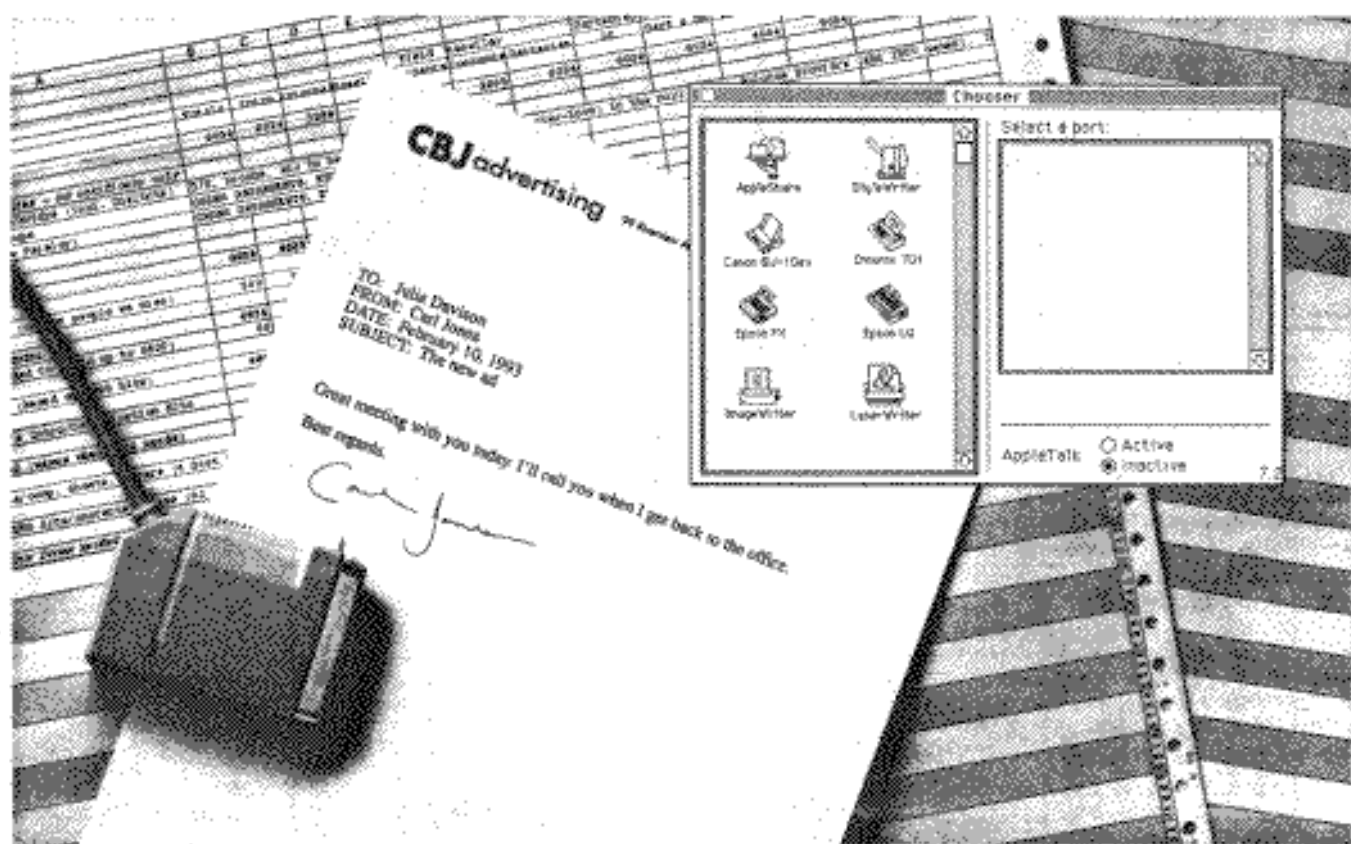
PowerBook 160 and 180

20 ways the PowerBook has been enhanced.

<p>1. Performance</p>  <p>A 33 MHz 68030 powers the PowerBook 160 about 35% faster than the PowerBook 170. The PowerBook 160 is about 35% faster than the PowerBook 180.</p>	<p>2. Video out</p>  <p>The PowerBook 160 and 180 both support a wide range of external monitors - Apple 12" RGB, 15" RGB, 14" RGB, 16" RGB, 15" Pentaz, VGA and SVGA.</p>	<p>3. 256 colors</p>  <p>With 512K of VRAM, each of the external displays is supported at 8 bits per pixel or 256 colors.</p>	<p>4. Dual Display and Video Mirroring</p> <p>The PowerBooks let you use both the internal display and external monitor as separate work areas. Or they can act to show the same image on both screens.</p> 	<p>5. Brighter whites, darker blacks</p>  <p>The displays are brighter than before. And a shadow mask has been added to the active matrix display to greatly increase the saturation of black pixels on the PowerBook 160.</p>
<p>6. Grayscale displays</p> <p>16 beautiful shades of gray can be displayed on your PowerBook.</p> 	<p>7. Increased RAM expansion</p> <p>The PowerBook 160 and 180 can be expanded up to 14 MB.</p>  <p>PowerBook 160</p> <p>Total Memory: 14,336K</p>	<p>8. 4 MB standard</p> <p>4 MB of RAM is standard on the model shown. This leaves the RAM expansion slot open to increase your memory.</p>	<p>9. Larger hard drives</p> <p>You can have up to 120 MB of hard disk storage.</p>  <p>PowerBook 180 120 MB 160 60 MB 40 MB 80 MB</p>	<p>10. Security port</p> <p>With the Modem cable, you can secure your PowerBook to a stationary object.</p> 
<p>11. Built-in microphone</p> <p>Use your sound enabled applications with the convenience of an integrated microphone.</p> 	<p>12. SCSI Disk mode</p> <p>Turn your PowerBook into an external hard disk with a simple adapter.</p>  <p>SCSI Disk Mode</p>	<p>13. AutoRemounter</p> <p>Automatically reconnects your PowerBook to servers when you return to the network.</p>  <p>Remount Servers Auto Time Auto Date Auto</p>	<p>14. Simplified power management</p> <p>A simple slider to select between maximum performance or maximum power conservation.</p>  <p>Max Performance Max Power Conservation</p>	<p>15. Automatic screen dimming</p> <p>After a period of inactivity, the system automatically turns off the backlighting to save battery power.</p>  <p>Screen Dimming</p>
<p>16. High speed data modem</p>  <p>The PowerBook bypass modem operation at 14,400 baud (up to 57.6 kbps with compression) and is up to 24 times the transmission speed of a standard 2400 baud modem. AppleTalk Remote Access really flies with this modem.</p>	<p>17. Fax receive</p>   <p>With the PowerBook Express modem you can now receive, as well as send, faxes at 9600 baud anywhere you are with your PowerBook.</p>	<p>18. System 7.1</p> <p>Managing files has never been easier and your PowerBook is Windows compatible.</p>  <p>System Software 7.1 © Apple Computer, Inc. 1988-1992</p>	<p>19. Turn off boot sound</p> <p>Resist your machine without the boot sound.</p>  <p>Speaker Volume 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0</p>	<p>20. More affordable</p> <p>Even with all these new features, the PowerBook 160 and 180 are more affordable than ever before.</p> 



Macintosh Print Pack



When you want to print on wide-carriage or portable printers, the Apple Macintosh Print Pack utility may be all you need. It allows you to print from any Macintosh personal computer on wide-carriage (132-column) printers, and it gives you direct access to a wide range of portable ink-jet and thermal printers.

Regardless of the Macintosh model you use, you can produce large spreadsheets on computer fanfold paper with point-and-click simplicity. And if you work with a Macintosh PowerBook personal computer, you'll especially appreciate how easily you can work with a variety of portable ink-jet and thermal printers when you travel.

Each Macintosh Print Pack utility comes with the hardware and software necessary to connect your Macintosh to hundreds of models of

wide-carriage and portable printers that are popular in the MS-DOS/Windows environment. And you'll find that switching between printers is as effortless as attaching a cable and clicking the mouse.

When you print from your Macintosh application, you can expect the finest-possible resolution the printer offers. And in addition to using the printer's font selection, you have the advantage of printing in any style the computer supports, and in any size—from tiny footnotes to bold display headlines.

For added versatility, Macintosh Print Pack software allows you to reduce or enlarge a document when it's printed; adjust the spacing between words on a printed page; and select colors for printing on color-capable DOS printers.

Product Features

Compatibility

- ▶ Popular wide-carriage dot matrix printers that are compatible with Epson FX and Epson LQ standards
- ▶ Portable ink-jet and thermal printers that are compatible with Canon BJ-10ex and Kodak Diconix 701 standards
- ▶ All Macintosh font formats, including bitmap, TrueType, and Adobe Type 1
- ▶ Most Macintosh graphics formats, including bitmap, PICT, and TIFF

Print quality

- ▶ The highest resolution available on the printer, up to 360 dots per inch (dpi) for text and graphics

Versatility

- ▶ Printing on US letter, US legal, A4, and B5 paper; envelopes; and computer fan-fold paper
- ▶ Landscape and portrait formats
- ▶ Reduction or enlargements (20% to 400%) in 1% increments
- ▶ Color selection for printing on color-capable printers

Ease of use

- ▶ Fast, easy installation
- ▶ Convenient switching between printers
- ▶ High-speed (57.6-kilobyte-per-second) printer connectivity