

# A.M.U.S.E. NEWS

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## Amiga News

From around the web

AmiWest 2011 is Oct. 21-23

The dates for AmiWest 2011 are October 21-23, 2011. Reserve these dates right now for this year's show.

We are already working with the Holiday Inn Express, which was our new venue as of last year, to provide booking for this year's rooms right now. Watch this blog for news on this important development for AmiWest 2011.

So be sure to make your plans to attend AmiWest 2011, the Amiga show on the West Coast of the United States of America! It's all happening at the new:

Holiday Inn Express  
2224 Auburn Blvd.  
Sacramento, CA 95821  
Telephone: 916-923-1100.

Come see the latest in Amiga hardware and



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software October 21-23, 2011. And watch this blog for breaking news of AmiWest 2011 as it happens! You don't want to miss it!

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SACC Presidents Blog

<http://amigaprez.wordpress.com/>

## AmigaOS 4.1 for Classics imminent

Taken from Hyperion Website

Brussels - May 7th, 2011.

Hyperion Entertainment CVBA is pleased to announce that all materials comprising the AmigaOS 4.1 distribution for Amiga 1200/3000/4000 equipped with the appropriate PowerPC based accelerator card (Cyberstorm PPC or BlizzardPPC) have now been completed.

AmigaOS 4.1 brings Amiga1200/3000/4000 the wealth of new functionality which was made available to other supported platforms in August of 2008 - up to and including - Update 2 released on April 30th, 2010.

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Hyperion Entertainment invites you to experience the most advanced version of AmigaOS to date and join the ranks of SAM 440/460, AmigaOne, and Pegasos II users!

AmigaOS 4.1 will be distributed world-wide by AmigaKit LLC <http://www.amigakit.com/> and will be available from your local dealer very soon. AmigaKit was also instrumental in funding the AmigaOS 4.1 update for the Classics. Great care was taken to support the largest range of Amiga Classic third party add-on hardware to date.

AmigaOS 4.1 Classic specific features include:

- Improved bootloader with large table MMU support
- Updated kernel offering increased stability in low memory conditions
- Support for virtual memory via harddisk paging
- ZororRAM <http://zorram.amigakit.com/> and DKB 3128 support as memory pagers
- Improved (future proof) Mediator support with Radeon 9200 and 9250 using up to 256MB of video memory (correct voltage graphics card required)
- Support for PCI sound card (ESS SOLO-1 based cards);
- Warp3D hardware acceleration support for Radeon, Voodoo 3/4/5 and Cybervision / Blizzardvision PPC (stable beta version for Permedia2-based cards)
- DDC automatic monitor detection for Radeon and Voodoo 3
- Hardware compositing engine (Radeon only) with software fall-back
- Native FastATA driver support.

Hyperion Entertainment also wishes to thank ACube Systems <http://www.acube-systems.biz/> for the superb job on the manual and packaging of AmigaOS 4.1 for the Amiga Classic.

Source:

[http://os4.hyperion-entertainment.biz/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=144:amigaos-41-for-classics-imminent&catid=36:amigaos-4x&Itemid=18](http://os4.hyperion-entertainment.biz/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=144:amigaos-41-for-classics-imminent&catid=36:amigaos-4x&Itemid=18)

### **Dave Haynie's Garage Sale**

Hi All-

I've literally cleaned out my garage, and I'm working on the cellar. Avoiding the dumpster, so far, I have a number of bits of old junk, er, "unique items from the history of Commodore" (you can see why I wasn't in Marketing at Commodore), that are now up on eBay. More to come.

I have no idea if anyone will find most of this stuff of any value or not, but I'm not much of a collector... I have some things in a box to eventually put on display somewhere, and the rest is going to hopefully find a home with someone more happy to have it.

Search for "haynie's garage" or follow this link:

[http://shop.ebay.com/?\\_from=R40&\\_trk...All-Categories](http://shop.ebay.com/?_from=R40&_trk...All-Categories)

[http://shop.ebay.com/?\\_from=R40&\\_trksid=p5197.m570.l1313&\\_nkw=haynie%27s+garage&\\_sacat=See-All-Categories](http://shop.ebay.com/?_from=R40&_trksid=p5197.m570.l1313&_nkw=haynie%27s+garage&_sacat=See-All-Categories)

### **New Uboot for Sam460**

Bassano del Grappa, Italy - 15, Apr 2011

*To submit an article for this newsletter, please contact Kevin Orme ([amigau@oz.net](mailto:amigau@oz.net)) or Wendell Watanabe ([wendell@eskimo.com](mailto:wendell@eskimo.com)) The deadline for articles and items for sale is by the second Friday of each month.*

ACube Systems is pleased to announce a new release of the U-Boot firmware for its line of motherboards Sam460ex.

What's new in this version:

- improved Radeon X1550, X1650, X1950 setup
- fixed a bug in the PCI-E setup which cures a crash when both a gfx card and an USB3 card were used
- DDR2 boost setup is now disabled by default, to enable it, set ddr2\_boost to 1 from the U-Boot prompt
- removed a debug output from ext2fs.c

The updated installation guide describes in detail the usual installation method (ISO image) and alternative methods (TFTP). Inside the archive you will find both the ISO image and the TFTP updater

You can download installation archives from:  
<http://www.acube-systems.biz/index.php?page=hardware&pid=5>

### **Amiga Future looks for copyright holders**

As you all probably know we release full versions of commercial and shareware titles on the Amiga Future homepage and the cover CD. The type of software doesn't matter, i.e. games, applications, drivers or CDs. We want to preserve all commercial titles.

To do this in a legal way we need the permission of the individual copyright holders. The biggest problem is to find the copyright holders. That's why we ask you



to help.

Do you stay in contact with copyright holders of shareware or commercial software?  
Do you know someone in person or did you have contact with someone a short time ago?

Then please drop us an email at:  
[redaktion@amigafuture.de](mailto:redaktion@amigafuture.de)

### **Parthenope 0.93 e Linux Kernel 2.6.38.2 for Sam460ex**

Bassano del Grappa, 29 Apr, 2011

ACube Systems is pleased to announce the availability of Parthenope boot loader 0.93 and the Linux kernel 2.6.38.2 with added support for Sam460ex.

Inside the kernel archive is included an installation guide that will describe how to boot Linux with this kernel.

You can find the archives in the download section at the following address:  
<http://www.acube-systems.biz/index.php?page=hardware&pid=5>

### **AmigaOS wants you!**

Hyperion Entertainment Blog  
posted by zerohero on 27-Apr-2011

Are you are software development professional?

Are you passionate about software development?

Do you want to contribute to AmigaOS by working directly on its source code?  
The AmigaOS software development team could use your help.

If you are serious about helping with AmigaOS software development then

please contact me today:  
<http://www.solie.ca/contact/contact.php>

I look forward to discussing how you may be able to contribute.

Steven Solie  
AmigaOS Development Team Lead

## **Packard Bell and Amiga Enter Android Tablet Fray**

April 7, 2011

Two prominent names from the 1990's PC era have entered the Android tablet game, hoping to grab a piece of the pie. Amiga is rolling out a pair of Android 2.2 tablets in 7-inch and 10-inch variants, both of which can be purchased immediately. According to the email we received, the 7-inch Xpedio 7 MT model will be nearly identical to the Galaxy Tab with a 1GHz processor, 512MB RAM, and 16GB storage. At \$299 it will be a tough sell against the likes of Samsung, especially with its 800 x 480 resolution screen and 1.3-megapixel camera. The 10-inch version (Xpedio 10 MT) looks to fetch \$449 and should have the same internals save for its larger screen. The picture you see above is said to be a stack of their tablets rolling off the assembly line. Amiga promises that these tablets will see Honeycomb once Google releases the code to all.

Currently, Amiga is donating at least \$25 of each purchased tablet to relief efforts in Japan and Haiti. Down the road, addition initiatives and schools will benefit from the Amiga cause. All one has to do is enter Japan or Haiti in the promotional code section when checking out with their purchase.

Read the full article:

<http://www.androidguys.com/2011/04/07/packard-bell-amiga-enter-android-tablet-fray/>

## **Quick Links**

Gathered by Moxee

Snapshoter updated to v1.4  
posted by xabierpayet on 9-Apr-2011

Snapshoter is updated to v1.4, added support for Italian and Turkish languages, solved some bugs, screen is dragable now or fixed in desktop (mirror mode, iconify, disable smooth picture scale for slow processors, and added some more new features.  
<http://www.xabierpayet.com>

New Masonicons  
posted by Mason on 11-Apr-2011

Two new icon sets in the AmigaOS 4.1 Update 1 design are available on the Masonicons website.  
Link: <http://www.masonicons.info/>

AmigaONE X1000 spotted on 2 German IT-News sites  
Posted by fungus on 14-Apr-2011

If you can read German you will be interested in these two articles about the AmigaOne X1000. Even if you can't, the photos are nice.

<http://www.golem.de/1104/82802.html>  
<http://www.heise.de/newsticker/meldung/Lebenszeichen-vom-AmigaOne-X1000-1227663.html>

NetSurf v2.7 released  
posted by Chris\_Y on 16-Apr-2011

NetSurf is a CSS capable web browser for AmigaOS 4 and other platforms.

The NetSurf developers are happy to announce the immediate availability of NetSurf v2.7. This release contains many bug fixes and improvements.  
<http://www.netsurf-browser.org/>

SabreMSN v0.76 released  
posted by tomazkid on 21-Apr-2011

A small OS4 update for my Windows Live Messenger clone.  
<http://www.os4depot.net>  
<http://wookiechat.amigarevolution.com>

C=USA on CNET 's BUZZ OUT LOUD  
5 April 2011

April 5th, 2011 episode of CNET's Buzz Out Loud covered C=USA's announcement of the return of the Commodore 64 (first with glee, then with skepticism because of the proximity to April's Fools Day).

You can grab it from:  
[http://chkpt.zdnet.com/chkpt/1pcast.bole/http://podcast-files.cnet.com/podcast/cnet\\_buzzoutloud\\_040511.mp3](http://chkpt.zdnet.com/chkpt/1pcast.bole/http://podcast-files.cnet.com/podcast/cnet_buzzoutloud_040511.mp3)

iBatch V 1.2 Trailer and Screenshots online  
posted by gerograph on 23-Apr-2011

As promised, find screenshots of new iBatch Version 1.2 and new iBatch plug-ins on:  
iBatch Homepage -> Screenshot section:  
<http://www.geobiz.de/ibatch.html>

Update of Gimp 2.4.7 for AmiCygrix released  
posted by CygnusEd on 13-May-2011

An update for the AmiCygrix version of Gimp is now available on OS4-depot. Gimp is a freely distributed program for such tasks as photo retouching, image composition, and image authoring.

Please read the documentation (README) for more information!  
<http://os4depot.net/index.php?function=showfile&file=graphics/edit/gimp-update.lha>

Next Icaros/AmiBridge new video available  
posted by paolone on 15-May-2011

It is time for a new video about the features of the incoming, next version of Icaros Desktop. It's now time to talk about M68K integration. People using them on AROS will be happy to see this!  
<http://vmwaros.blogspot.com/2011/05/incoming-amibrige-video.html>

Blu Manager v0.6 released  
posted by Antique on 12-May-2011

Blu Manager v0.6 has been uploaded to the depot. You can find it here:  
[http://os4depot.net/?function=showfile&file=office/database/blu\\_manager.lha](http://os4depot.net/?function=showfile&file=office/database/blu_manager.lha)

AROS Broadway 0.0.4 aka „Murphy's law“  
posted by phoenixkonsole on 28-Apr-2011

Done!  
Full iso is available since one hour....  
<http://www.aros-broadway.de/>

DisplayFiles (DF) updated to v0.7  
posted by marko on 10-Apr-2011

DF (DisplayFiles) is yet another dir command (written in C). It displays a sorted and text-formatted list of files in a dir, including any other dirs, soft/hard-links and their additional information such as size, date, possible comment, executable header type, protection-bits, etc, etc.  
<http://os4depot.net/index.php?function=showfile&file=utility/shell/df.lha>

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