

**Minutes of "MacTalk Hunter" General Meeting:
Wednesday 7th September 2011**

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<http://tech.groups.yahoo.com/group/MacTalk/>

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General Meeting:

Apologies:

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Business Arising & Other:

AUSOM raffle tickets \$5.00 see David. 3 iPads as prize.

Courses \$1.99 at the Apple store 34 tutorial items about Lion alone.

Lion can take a while to get set up properly ... especially the mouse.

If you have a problem with a new Mac complain in the first month and you may get a new machine.

Packing up a computer. .. Remember to bring all cords, Keyboard etc. Travel the machine In the original box

or standing up on car seat with the safety belt holding it firmly in place. Be careful it can't fall or slip sideways as well.

Main Talk: Audiobooks and E-Books

Rosemary:

Audiobooks, "read" when you can't hold a book, eg. Driving, Cleaning, Exercising, Painting etc.

Listen using iTunes on the computer, iPod, iPhone, MP3 Player, GPS. These use Audio files.

Audiobooks are available from Public libraries as CD or Cassette. It is possible to "rip" them to iTunes.

Manage iTunes files...

... once ripped from CD you may need to change the information in iTunes for each file.

File - Get Info will bring up the area where you can make changes to the songs information. ...

[Fixing Incorrect Song or Album Listings in iTunes http://support.apple.com/kb/ta24677?viewlocale=en_us](http://support.apple.com/kb/ta24677?viewlocale=en_us)

In the Info box you can change the media type as well as have the track remember the last position

it got up to by going to the "Options" tab and changing Media Kind: to Audiobook.

You can also tick the "Remember playback position" checkbox.

Smart Albums: File - New Smart Playlist. allows you to have an auto updating playlist, try it.

E-Books: E-Books [E-book - Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/E-Book](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/E-Book)

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Next Meeting .. Sharing BYO ... Computer that is :-)

Meeting Close 7:30

Next meeting Wed 5th October

"Waratah's Rugby Club" ...- Station St. Waratah

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<http://www.waratahrugby.com.au/>

5:30pm with sharing session starting at 5.00pm