



# The Paper Modem

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## Compacting = “the real delete”

When you delete email, it doesn't get zapped immediately. Instead, it is first shunted to the Deleted Items or Trash folder from which you can retrieve it if need be. Once you empty the Trash or Deleted Items folder the emails are gone for good.

Or so it seems.

But although the deleted emails are now out of your reach, your email program doesn't reclaim the space used by those emails until you **compact** your mail folders. When you compact your folders, not only do you regain wasted hard disk space, you'll often find it makes your email program run faster and may reduce the risk of your mail folders becoming damaged.

Here's how to reclaim that lost space:

### **[Outlook Express]**

Click File Menu -> Folder -> Compact All Folders.

### **[Outlook]**

Right-click the topmost Personal Folders folder (the one which displays Outlook Today) and select Properties from the pop-up menu.

Click the Advanced button.

Click Compact Now.

### **[Netscape]**

Click Edit Menu -> Preferences -> Offline & Disk Space.

Check the Compact Folders When It Will Save Over option and type in a value or accept the default of 100 kilobytes. Then click OK.

### **[Mozilla]**

Click Edit Menu -> Preferences -> Mail & News-groups -> Offline & Disk Space.

Check the Compact Folders When It Will Save

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**Exabyte - A unit of storage equal to 1,024 x 1,024 x 1,024 x Gigabytes = just over 1 billion Gigabytes.**

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Over option and type in a value or accept the default of 100 kilobytes. Then click OK.

**[Eudora]**

Click Special Menu -> Compact Mailboxes.

**[Pegasus]**

Right-click a folder and choose Recover Deleted Space from the pop-up menu.

If it's been a long time since you compacted your folders and you receive a lot of email, the process may take quite a few minutes, so be prepared to wait.

**A MUST HAVE ITEM!**

**PEN DRIVES—THE HOTTEST THING IN PORTABLE STORAGE DEVICES**



Now you can transfer data faster and easier than ever before. Pen drives are faster than downloading data via e-mail and infinitely easier than using boxes of floppies.

USB Pen Drives provide dependable data, music and video transfers and storage with plug and play ease. With no driver software to install, a Pen Drive can be put to use immediately. Plus it is portable—attach it to your key-chain, belt or wear it around your

neck. Never before has reading, writing and copying to or from a disk drive been as simple.

With no batteries, no software and no cables, a Pen Drive is totally portable. Just plug it into a USB port and your computer automatically recognizes the Pen Drive as a removable drive.

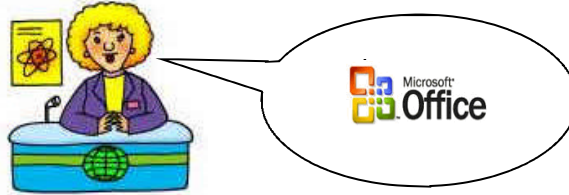
Pen Drive advantages include:

- ?? **Portable**
- ?? **Lightweight**
- ?? **Compact**
- ?? **Plug-and-Play Ready USB Interface**
- ?? **Storage Capacity from 16MB to 1GB**
- ?? **Super-Fast Transfer Speed**
- ?? **PC and Mac Compatible**

*Submitted by: Y. Bulger*

**LOOK AT PAGE NINE FOR AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE !**





## MICROSOFT PRESENTATION

It was good to see so many of our members out together with an excellent group of the general public on Tuesday, October 21st. The topic of OFFICE 2003 was obviously of interest to the folk who attended and credit must go to Ben Poudrier for his effort in publishing the event. The presenter, Theresa Calvert, certainly “knew her stuff” as she ran thorough many of the features in the new applications. Many of the new items were refinements of previous versions, but there was enough of “new” stuff to keep one’s interest. Gary Koran gave her welcome and she confided to us that this really impressed her – she’d never been greeted by a real live mayor before!! One for us!!

There were quite a number of great prizes drawn – a Microsoft X-Box, an MP-3 player and instruction manuals of the OFFICE 2003 Suite. Also T-shirts, and very nice quality pens. Altogether, many of the attendees walked away with a souvenir of the evening.

When we found out that Theresa had traveled from Phoenix, Arizona that day and was due in Chicago the following day, we realized we’d been lucky to have her services here in Nanaimo. It’s an event that we as a Club believe to be a public service, as it gives us a chance to promote our activities to a larger audience.

*Submitted by: Allan Forrest*

For detailed information on Microsoft’s new Office 2003 got to:

<http://office.microsoft.com/home/default.aspx>

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Microsoft Recommends 3 steps to secure your PC

<http://www.microsoft.com/security/protect/default.asp>

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**Petabyte—A unit of storage equal to 1,024 Terabytes, or just over a million Gigabytes**



Mayor Gary Korpen welcomes Theresa Calvert and the return of Microsoft to Nanaimo.



Gloria Saunders (President of the Nanaimo Computer Club) Introduced Therese Calvert and thanked Mayor Korpen for his opening remarks.



Theresa Calvert



**WORM - An acronym for Write Once Read Many times, a class of optical recording systems that allow recording and adding data but not altering recorded data**



## Gates gambles on Longhorn

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By **Mike Ricciti**  
Staff Writer, CNET News.com

**Even after all his triumphs, Bill Gates is still a gambling man.**

In some of the most difficult economic periods in high technology's history, the chairman and chief software architect of Microsoft appears undeterred in doing what he has done best: selling Windows.

This week, Microsoft **launched** a developer version of Longhorn, its next operating system. Gates says Longhorn, which is expected to be released in 2006, will spawn an array of new applications not possible with previous generations of Windows while making entire infrastructures work better.

However, Longhorn also offers a radically new programming and storage model along with the promise of extensive training for developers and managers. Will that message appeal to big companies that are struggling with security, tight budgets and minimization of risk? And will its benefits outweigh the cost to changes in systems at a time when companies remain leery about spending more money on technology?



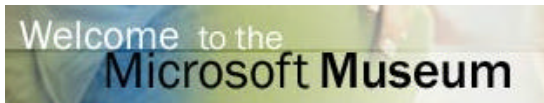
*Submitted By: Y. Bulger*



**OK, so what's the speed of dark?**

## \$\$\$The Computer Age and it's Amazing Success Stories\$\$\$

### You know are Successful when your Company has it's Own Museum!



It all started with the dream of "a computer on every desk and in every home." In just 28 years, Microsoft turned this revolutionary idea into a reality, creating a new industry and transforming how we work, live, learn and play.

Today, Microsoft is empowering people everywhere to realize their potential through great software anytime, anyplace and on any device.

At the Microsoft Museum, you can explore the vision, products, culture and history of Microsoft. The exhibits showcase everything from the very first personal computer to some of today's most exciting technologies including WindowsXP, Xbox and the Tablet PC.

The Museum is open to all employees and visitors to the Microsoft campus for you to explore some of our latest products and meet some of the people whose ideas and creativity make Microsoft a world leader in computer and software technology.

The Microsoft Museum is located at 4420 148th AVE NE, Building 127, just adjacent to the main campus of our corporate headquarters in Redmond, Washington. If you need special accommodations, you can contact the Museum in advance of your visit.

**Hours:** Monday - Friday, 9:00am - 7:00pm

When most people hear the word "museum," they think of paintings on a wall and artifacts under glass cases. At the Microsoft Museum, you'll find something completely different. Our museum tells the story of the ideas, dreams, and accomplishments of the people who make up Microsoft. Through interactive exhibits and engaging storytelling, visitors can explore how people are realizing their potential through the magic of software.

**New Products** - Try out the latest and greatest products from Microsoft including Tablet PC, WindowsXP, OfficeXP, MSN and new holiday Xbox titles.

**Making History** - Artifacts from Microsoft's 28-year history include Bill Gates's first business card, the world's first per-

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How do you tell when you're out of invisible ink?



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sonal computer and more. Much more including kids products, PC Games, employee pranks, digital postcards, a WindowsXP piano and more!

The company that made Redmond, Washington a household name was actually founded in another city, in 1975, by two young men from Seattle, one of whom was a college dropout. From this inauspicious beginning came an equally improbable vision: A personal computer on every desk and in every home. Twenty-eight years

later, it seems so obvious. But at the time, when only a handful of people knew what a personal computer was, it was a great leap of faith and daring.

This revolutionary idea not only made technology a powerful tool for all of us, it also created a new industry that changed our world. Today, we continue to expand the possibilities of personal computing by developing new ways to empower our customers anytime, anywhere, and on any device.

*Submitted by: Y. Bulger – Information taken from*



**"A little inaccuracy sometimes saves a ton of explanation."**

## Interesting Web Sites

Online shopping for Gadgets with a difference!

<http://www.thegadgetstore.com/>

[http://vault2.secured-url.com/big-boys-toys/acatalog/Digital\\_Cameras.html#a709](http://vault2.secured-url.com/big-boys-toys/acatalog/Digital_Cameras.html#a709)

<http://www.paramountzone.com/Tech.htm>

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## What's coming up in November 2003



**Volunteer! Serve on  
the Executive**

**November 12th - Staples Presentation & Annual General Meeting**

**November 18th - Presentation by Imation/3M—New Products and a Care & handling seminar on Media, presented by Frank Mack and Gerry Oleksiuk**



**"It is dangerous to be sincere unless you are also stupid."**

**- George Bernard Shaw (1856-1950)**

## REPORT ON FIRST OCTOBER 2003 MEETING

On **October 8th** we had two events, first Ben and Pres. Gloria did an interview with Shaw Cable, see picture page in the Club site, covering the Club's activities and the upcoming Microsoft meeting.



This event was followed by Richard Benoit, ably assisted by Suzanne, doing his

usual excellent demo work, this time his subject was Spam and Spyware.

The subject prompted a great many questions from the members and provided a lot of useful information with regard to these aggravating aspects of Computer use... Our thanks, as usual, to Richard and to Suzanne for their continued contributions to the Nanaimo Computer Club.

Web site for Signature Services:  
<http://www.sigserv.bc.ca/>

*Submitted by: Gordon Hussey*



**As you know our year starts September 1st. And in November at our Annual General Meeting, we will be looking for folk to step forward to help keep the Club running, perhaps one of you would like to have a go at doing the Paper Modem, apart from being a lot of fun it is also a learning exercise... Give it some thought...**



**The End.**