
My New Toy

Posted by TLJ - 2008/08/25 15:58

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Here am I on the train and on Scotsgait. Now I can while away the hours when I'm away from home and can't work for whatever reason (and I'm sure I'll find reasons easily enough :laugh:)

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Posted by Brenna1508 - 2008/08/25 17:36

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Posted by Brenna1508 - 2008/08/26 10:12

TLJ offered:You think ? We-e-e-ll! I was giving the benefit of the doubt. Of course, as you had no choice in the matter you had to be patient and as WWIII hadn't started in your area I presumed you'd managed to contain your impatience! :laugh:

You really missed your chance there though. Just think of the interest generated by a man using a shocking pink laptop while travelling on public transport. :whistle: :woohoo:

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Posted by DoricMan - 2008/08/26 10:58

I am awaiting my new toy TLJ, a wireless ADSL router because my old one is on the blink. Hope this reaches you before

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I think pearly white (I am sure it matches your teeth) will look good for a man if I knew what it is.

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Posted by TLJ - 2008/08/26 17:01

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It can't get simpler than this:

http://img.xataka.com/2008/06/Aspire%20one_white_03.jpg

(It's about 2lbs in weight and would fit in a medium sized handbag - if I had one :laugh:)

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Posted by LYDIA REID - 2008/08/26 17:06

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Posted by InfrequentAllele - 2008/08/28 14:24

Nice toy TLJ. If you don't want to carry a handbag then you should get yourself a manbag.

There's a new toy I want. It's called a slingbox and lets you view British telly on your computer anywhere in the world.
www.slingmedia.com

We've just lost our British telly because the company which rebroadcast British and Irish channels locally got closed down due to piracy and tax evasion. In this area you need a 2.4 metre satellite dish to pick up British and Irish channels, and we don't have the space for it. Spanish telly is utter utter mince.

I'll have to get it sorted before Dr Who comes back on...

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Posted by Brenna1508 - 2008/08/28 16:21

TLJ shared: (I've taken my wife's latest Mulberry bag. Hopefully, she'll not notice...) Good grief TLJ you should have said.....

I managed to find this one for you and I know it's a colour you like as you sounded disappointed at having to take the pearlised white one! :whistle:<http://tinyurl.com/5f9ata>

If you must insist on being all traditional though then you could try here.

http://www.laptopstuff.co.uk/c/Cases_and_Laptop_Bags.htm?gclid=CKGurKKYsJUCFQ5NQwodkiZlkg

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Posted by DoricMan - 2008/08/28 17:16

You may be interested to learn that other less power hungry PCs are on the way. Have a look at www.gdium.com and www.mandriva.com for the Gdium notebook. It has a 10 inch screen and all your data is stored on an USB key, allowing you to use it on any PC. It will be available September around EUR 400.
No more burnt Knees TLJ.

Re:My New Toy

Posted by DoricMan - 2008/08/30 11:28

Users of Linux systems may be interested in the following, at <http://blogs.zdnet.com/security/?p=1803&tag=nl.e540>
This will be patched and look for any security updates for your distro.

Re:My New Toy

Posted by DoricMan - 2008/09/01 14:44

My New Toy sends you all a warm welcome. Dazzling speeds, a couple of Kilobits more than old faithful. I will now give the old one a good home in the Local Authority's dead electrical skip.

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Posted by Levenax - 2008/09/01 22:12

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Posted by Clare - 2008/09/02 18:27

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I read a recent article that these "high powered types" are now sleeping less hours than a few years ago, just deserts perhaps?

Keep smiling Clare. ;)

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Gosh. You've caught me shopping !

My phone is a Nokia 81 which allows me to access e-mails. I was checking them when I was out at lunchtime.

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It's tough. I dropped from a seat in it Wick railway station today. No damage

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Hell, Lev has me on bluetooth in ASDA and now you have me making tinny noises on the train.:woohoo:

I'm one of those who will ask folk to turn their noise down in trains and I'm dreading when mobiles are allowed on planes.

I wanted something lightweight to allow me to access the web and e-mails when I'm away on business (I'm not allowed to use my work machine for personal purposes and, for security reasons, I can only use dial up if I need it for business reasons). This is the answer !

So, this geek is currently sitting in the bar, 200 miles away from home, contributing to Scotgait at no cost to the public purse....

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Posted by LYDIA REID - 2008/09/03 09:59

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Yes! The perfect geeky girl's toy for you Clare is a pair of Bose noise cancelling headphones. You can either just block out the loud phone calls and whining weans or plug them into your MP3 player and enjoy some soothing music as well. Not cheap but really brill.

Re:My New Toy

Posted by Clare - 2008/09/03 11:20

Lev, I'm kind of old fashioned that way. I miss the art of just making pleasant conversation with others or simply watching the world go by and I mourn the fact that these days so many wander around oblivious to anyone else because they are in a world of their own due to the earphones being worn.

I love to travel by train, especially the new Virgin trains as they are just fab! (My recent Kings Cross debacle was just awful by comparison!) I feel tho that the experience is now completely ruined due to all these contraptions people carry with them and I'm serious about putting them in specific carriages and banning the use of mobiles in other carriages. I travelled with my family to Belgium on Friday for a wedding in Leuven. Since it was just a two day trip really, Fri till Sun, I didn't get much of a chance to see a great deal but I liked Leuven very much. The architecture was just amazing. I will definitely go back but I'll just fly next time.

Even cyclists now wear ear phones, some even head phones, which I feel should actually not be permitted. I'm sure it was once illegal to wear such things when driving a car because one was then not fully aware of what was going on in traffic because hearing was seriously restricted. Cyclists are getting away with it.

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Claire I was joking, but if you want to discuss this, my point is I would take a middle road.

I think many let their children run riot, and allowing a child to disappear on a train I certainly would not.

I know though it is very hard to keep children occupied on long journeys particularly babies. I find the very little ones get bored. The norm is playing on the floor or in a walking chair and we are asking them to sit still in a buggy or on our knee for possibly hours. With older children, it is possible to take games to keep them occupied, I do remember taking a pack of cards and we were all playing snap, and I got a complaint on a train. My point, the children were having fun a bit noisy and I participated fully in the game and made noise too but it was a harmless occupation, which kept many around us, occupied watching the children having fun.

If adults have respect for children, I find they return that respect. If any child in my charge annoyed an adult, my response would be to try to be a bit quieter but I don't believe children should be expected not to talk or laugh. We pay a fare for children on the train too.

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Re:My New Toy

Posted by Clare - 2008/09/04 10:41

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It is difficult I know on long journeys for children but trains are also dangerous environments when used as playgrounds because they just aren't playgrounds. I'm not sure what changes could be made to redesign carriages and make some of them more children friendly as I daresay the operators will want to stick with the same "just jam as many bodies in as possible" philosophy.

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Fess up TLJ

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Luggage is indeed a problem given that so little space is devoted to storing it properly on trains: nevertheless we can add that to the list of things that can make long distance journeys very hard work. "Room to play" isn't on my list of priorities unless it would be in an area designed with health and safety in mind for that specific purpose. Aisles don't meet the criteria.

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:laugh:

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Re:My New Toy

Posted by Brenna1508 - 2008/09/05 21:05

TLJ proposed: Say "hello" if you spot me from the pleb class ! I'm not sure about that! If you have one of those thingeys stuck in your lug you might intone, "We are Borg, you will be assimilated" and carry out your threat. :laugh: :silly:

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Posted by Meg - 2008/09/09 08:08

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I wonder why no adult had questioned why a 4 year old boy was wandering about a train on his own? I know that if he was walking down the aisle then there may have been adults also walking along the aisle so people might have assumed that he was with them but it is hard to believe that this was the case all the time that this boy was missing. I know that adults are worried these days that if they stop a child then it might be misunderstood however there is nothing to stop one adult from keeping an eye on this boy whilst another was going to try and find out with whom this boy was travelling. Are people so selfish these days that they won't even try to look out for a small child?

When my children were young, we used the trains fairly often. My son was one of those children who never stopped asking questions and on journeys between Kilmarnock and Glasgow, he often used to put me on the spot with some of the questions that he used to ask. One such question on the train out of Glasgow Central was what would happen if a train coming in to the Central did not stop. Of course as a small child his voice was loud with excitement and I could see the people in the carriage who had heard this were sitting still as they listened for my reply. I know he would have annoyed you Clare with his loud child's voice but in fact it started many a conversation on a train with fellow travellers.

Re:My New Toy

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I can remember one of mine on a train, in a very loud voice, asking if a nun was actually a penguin.

Believe me it was a very innocent question as he was only about three.

I will remember the snigger's forever. Every person within our hearing suddenly had a newspaper to read.

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I remember sitting in the waiting area with my friend whilst our daughters were finishing their dancing class. Our sons were about 8 years old and were firm friends. They were telling us about the game they had been playing in the school playground. It was a very complicated game of chasing that they had made up. My son's friend Gary then told us in a loud voice that the game was called 'Virgins'. You can imagine the stunned silence in the room. My friend then said 'and what do you think a virgin is?' to which my son replied 'someone who speaks German'. :laugh: Like your case Lydia, all the adults in the room found a reason to hide behind something to laugh. I have to say that I thought my friend was very brave to ask them what they thought a virgin was but she said she had faith that they wouldn't know.

Re:My New Toy

Posted by LYDIA REID - 2008/09/09 09:11

We should all write down these occasions Meg I bet there are so many we have forgotten our children are natural comedians.

That was very funny.

Re:My New Toy

Posted by InfrequentAllele - 2008/11/02 21:11

I just got a new toy too. After years of a diet of Spanish telly, we've now got a 2 metre diameter satellite dish installed on our roof. It's big enough to communicate with passing UFOs and gets us almost all the British free to air channels. Here in southern Spain we're right on the edge of the reception area for the satellite signal so we needed a big dish.

The best part is that for the first time in over 20 years I can get Scottish telly! All the Scottish ITV channels and BBC Alba come through sharp and clear, and I can pick up BBC1 and BBC2 Scotland after about 6pm. I'll be able to watch the

Glenrothes byelection result live.

And dear god... Newsnight Scotland is rubbish, isn't it.

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Re:My New Toy

Posted by TLJ - 2008/11/03 21:26

Well, I'm reading about your new toy on my not-so-new toy on the London - Manchester train.

Are you really missing British telly that badly ? (I hardly ever watch it these days)

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Re:My New Toy

Posted by InfrequentAllele - 2008/11/04 02:38

It's more for the other half's benefit. His Spanish isn't good enough to follow Spanish telly.

Here in Spain there's a lot of debate about political bias on TV. Sometimes I've been pretty shocked by the overt bias on some of the channels here. However this evening I watched the interview with the Labour candidate for Glenrothes on BBC Newsnight and was truly gobsmacked. "So tell me Mr. Roy, what's it like being so wonderful?"

At least I don't have to pay a licence fee to watch this mince.

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Re:My New Toy

Posted by TLJ - 2008/11/05 08:51

InfrequentAllele wrote:

It's more for the other half's benefit.

Aye, I've heard that one before ! My wife only watches X-Factor because the kids watch it. Strangely, she also watches it when they're not around :laugh:

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