

# **GAMUG meeting - December 9, 2025**

## **Quick recap**

The group discussed technical issues with Zoom and shared personal experiences about dealing with leaves and maintaining humidity levels for guitars. They played a trivia game about Apple products and discussed various Apple-related topics, with Glen taking first place in the competition. The conversation ended with discussions about future meeting plans, including a potential joint meeting with CapMac, and various personal topics such as holiday wishes and technical advice for iPad charging issues.

## **Next steps**

- [John: send all PDFs of trivia questions and answers to Ron to post on the website](#)
- [Ron: send email to all members about January meeting requirements - sharing new tech gifts, gadgets, software with extra tickets for participation](#)
- [Glen: design a flyer for Mac HQ store describing who the group is and what they do](#)
- [John: print copies of the flyer Glen creates using color laser printer and take to Mac HQ store](#)
- [Allen: send out gift cards to drawing winners sometime this weekend](#)
- [Glen: make appointment at Apple store after first of year to diagnose iPad Pro charging issues](#)
- [Charles: make presentation about Mac HQ computer leasing experience at future meeting once setup is complete](#)

## **Summary**

### **Dealing with Leaves and Humidity**

The group discussed technical issues with Zoom blocking out audio, including Glen's guitar playing, and shared experiences about dealing with leaves in their yards. Glen explained his frustration with neighbors' leaves blowing into his yard and his efforts to maintain the right humidity level for his acoustic guitars. John mentioned losing trees and having fewer leaves to deal with, while Ronald shared his experience with a dehumidifier in the basement. The conversation concluded with John describing a new furnace that effectively humidifies the air.

### **Music and Meeting Format Discussion**

The group discussed the upcoming meeting format, with Lyman requesting to be paired with two others due to his limited experience. They also talked about technical issues with Zoom not picking up guitar sound and Glen's experience playing guitar for 45 years. The conversation shifted to personal anecdotes about music lessons and instruments, with Glen sharing that his son plays the viola and he occasionally teaches piano. The meeting had only 6 attendees so far, leading to a lighthearted discussion about potentially giving everyone a prize if attendance remains low.

### **Future Meeting Plans and Updates**

The group discussed plans for future meetings, including a trivia event in December and an announcement about January's meeting. They also talked about various personal topics, such as John's new haircut, Steve's upcoming trash collection, and Allen's new cat. The conversation included lighthearted banter about Christmas trees and pets, as well as a brief mention of Steve's new computer.

## **MacBook Discussion and Trivia Game**

The group discussed Steve's new MacBook Air purchase and its performance compared to his old MacBook Pro. They then decided to proceed with a trivia game despite low attendance, with John sharing trivia questions via chat for participants to answer individually. The group agreed to write down their answers and compare notes after each question, with John planning to reveal the correct answers afterward.

## **Apple Products and OS Trivia**

The group discussed and answered questions about Apple products and operating systems. John provided answers to questions about podcast names, OS version numbers, macOS names, and cat names. Ronald, Allen, Glen, and Lyman participated in the discussion, with Glen and Lyman acknowledging they were ready for answers. The group scored points based on their correct answers, with John explaining the sources of the information provided. They briefly discussed the translucent look in OS 26 operating systems, which was identified as "liquid glass."

## **Helping Steve Access Trivia Questions**

The group helped Steve access and view trivia questions in a Zoom meeting, with Glen and others guiding him through opening the chat window and finding the PDF documents containing the questions. Steve eventually found the correct window and was able to view the trivia questions, though he expressed frustration with the technical difficulties.

## **Helping Steve Access Trivia Questions**

The group helped Steve navigate accessing and viewing trivia questions shared during the meeting. Glen demonstrated how to view the questions by sharing his screen and explaining how to use the chat window and screen icons. John suggested resizing the meeting view to make it easier for Steve to see the questions. The team worked to troubleshoot Steve's screen sharing issues, with Glen offering to take a screenshot to show Steve exactly where to find the questions in the future.

## **Apple Product Trivia Game**

The group played a trivia game about Apple products, with John leading the discussion of answers for Round 2. They covered topics including Apple TV+ naming changes, computer model names, and Apple Pencil compatibility. For Round 3, Glen offered to share his screen with Steve to help him see the questions better. The group discussed various Apple product trivia questions, including model numbers and historical facts about Mac computers.

## **Apple Product Trivia Session**

The group discussed various Apple product trivia questions, including details about the iPhone pocket sock, Mac models, disk capacities, and MagSafe technology. John led the discussion, providing answers and explanations for each question. Participants scored their answers, with Glen leading the group with 20 points, including bonuses. Charles joined the meeting briefly after being delayed. The session concluded with an informal review of scores and some discussion about the origins of MagSafe technology.

## **Apple Trivia and Book Discussion**

The group played a trivia game about Apple history, with Glen taking first place. They discussed David Pogue's upcoming book, which will be a collection of his past Apple-related articles. The group agreed to give away \$8 and \$10 gift cards to all participants, as many members had canceled, leaving only 6 attendees. John will send the trivia answer PDFs to Ronald to post on the website.

## **Mac Studio Leasing and Monitors**

The group discussed John's creation of challenging trivia questions for a potential joint meeting with CapMac, which he designed to be difficult enough for experienced members while still accessible to others. Charles shared his experience with a new Mac Studio leasing program through Mac HQ, which offers a new computer every two years for a security deposit and monthly fee, though he noted the high cost of the Apple Studio Display monitor. The conversation concluded with a discussion about monitor options, where John and others recommended more affordable 4K monitors from brands like BenQ and LG compared to the Apple Studio Display, with John suggesting checking MacMost.com for monitor compatibility recommendations.

## **iPad Charging Issues Discussion**

Glen discussed his inconsistent charging experience with his iPad Pro, which sometimes charges quickly and other times slowly, despite using different cables and outlets. Charles suggested that the iPad might be performing a slow charge to condition the battery, while John recommended that Glen have the device checked at an Apple store to determine if the issue is related to the battery, a hardware connection, or software. John also advised Glen to consider upgrading to a 13-inch iPad Air, which offers similar display quality to the Pro and might be a more cost-effective option, especially if he looks into third-party screen protectors for writing and note-taking.

## **Club Activities and Promotions Discussion**

The group played a virtual Wheel of Fortune game where Lyman, Thomas, Francis, and John won prizes. Ronald agreed to send out an email to club members requesting ideas for January's meeting, including new tech gadgets and extra participation tickets. Glen offered to design a flyer to promote the club at Mac HQ, which Charles suggested could include information about their user group. Allen shared concerns about a suspicious car dealership promotion he received in the mail, which Glen explained was likely a legitimate marketing tactic by Kia. The conversation ended with holiday wishes from all participants.