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Posted by Aaron Allen on Tue, 04 Mar 2008 02:51:43 GMT

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Thanks guys! Aaron

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Posted by Tom Bruhl on Tue, 04 Mar 2008 03:37:10 GMT
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Posted by excelar on Tue, 04 Mar 2008 04:45:44 GMT
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Posted by Dedric Terry on Tue, 04 Mar 2008 05:19:44 GMT
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Dedric

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Posted by TCB on Tue, 04 Mar 2008 05:54:00 GMT
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Hey Aaron,

I've always had very good luck with Newegg to be honest, but maybe that's been just luck. I've picked up thousands of dollars worth of gear from them over the past few years.

Other options. Best Buy isn't awful as long as you get their web pricing on gear you can pick up locally. For displays there's the added advantage of seeing it in the store. I own four or five Dell displays and have always found them to be good to excellent bargains. You can watch for specials on your own or check out

http://www.techbargains.com/cheaplcdmonitor.cfm

which is a great resource.

Contrary to what someone else here said, I wouldn't buy from Tigerdirect using your credit card. They're shady gray marketers of the worst kind.

Lastly, every now and the Staples or Office Depot will wind up with some absurd deal on some odd component, which might be a display. Certainly worth a look on their web sites on Thursday to see what the weekend bargain bin will be holding.

Good luck, and you really can't go wrong with Dell displays, we have 70+ of them where I work and a bunch 'round the house. Never had a problem and that's statistically a pretty solid sample.

TCB

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Posted by Aaron Allen on Tue, 04 Mar 2008 06:20:34 GMT

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Yeah, I may have to do that in the name of 'git er done' unfortunately. The stores here, not so plentiful/great I'm afraid. CompUSA was the biggest parts house for PC stuff, and you have a few dabble-in-it companies like Best Buy, staples and Wal Mart, then the Ma and Pa shops that hit you pretty hard because they just can't compete with volume, then end up out of business 6 months later anyway. I am soooo bummed Newegg pulled up so lame to the water trough man. My experience has been pretty ixnay on the Tiger`ay, but I stopped with them probably 5 years back so things might be different now? I may have to renew the ole' Sams card, but no Costco in Oklahoma that I'm aware of.

Options, good good thing D. Thanks man!

btw.. did you guys get snow up there today? Freak weather here, sunny and motorcycle weather yesterday, today frozen toes, ice and snow. I'm ignoring Bill L's post :)

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Posted by Jamie K on Tue, 04 Mar 2008 06:58:42 GMT

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Posted by excelar on Tue, 04 Mar 2008 08:30:20 GMT

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http://www.microcenter.com/specials/catalogs/index.html

http://frys.com/

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20" SOYO for \$169.99, front page

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Posted by Aaron Allen on Tue, 04 Mar 2008 13:55:38 GMT
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I've been wondering about those man, they seem awfully low priced in comparison and seem to be everywhere now. I can't see anything short of the warranty (1 year) that seems to be off base on them.

Anyone using the HannsG units?

You guys rock!

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Posted by Neil on Tue, 04 Mar 2008 15:20:31 GMT
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>btw.. did you guys get snow up there today? Freak weather >here, sunny and motorcycle weather yesterday, today frozen >toes, ice and snow.

Here in west TX: weekend = Sunny & in the high 70's/low 80's Sunday night = started clouding over, temp dropped, snow flurries. Monday (& Tuesday so far) = cold & breezy, low's in the 30's.

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yeah, me too. lol

Neil

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Posted by Bill L on Tue, 04 Mar 2008 21:01:58 GMT
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Subject: Re: OT: New computer vendors: LCD - 2 down, 1 to go Posted by Aaron Allen on Wed, 05 Mar 2008 04:41:11 GMT

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HannsG HW216DPB

Maximum Resolution 1680 x 1050 Image Contrast Ratio 1000:1

Image Brightness 300 cd/m2
Input Signal Analog Input: (1) D-Sub 15 Pin (VGA) HDMI w/HDCP
Speakers 1W x 2 Channel Built-In Stereo Speakers
Compatibility PC/MAC
Dimensions (H x W x D in.) 20.5"W x 9"D x 16.2"H
Weight 12.2lbs

http://www.staples.com/webapp/wcs/stores/servlet/StaplesProductDisplay?storeId=10001&jspStoreDir=Staples&product Id=207132&cmSearchKeyword=725240+&fromUrl=home&cmArea=SEARCH&catalogId=10051&langId=-1

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Interesting side note.. the HannsG site says this model has a 4 port USB on it, and staples doesn't list that at all. Not that I care that much, but it might be a nice little bonus. It also conflicts with Staples listing of a whopping 1w speaker input, and says a monsterous 3w (LOL) x 2, and again 18.5 lbs/HG vs 12.2/Staples. - will keep y'all posted. Probalby just a revision change and Staples is blowing out the 'old' model.

I continue to be pleased at the help and knowledge all you dudes have. Many thanks!

AA

Subject: Re: OT: New computer vendors: LCD - 2 down, 1 to go Posted by Aaron Allen on Fri, 07 Mar 2008 02:36:28 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Got 'em in today... all I can say is absolute love. Only thing that kinda cheesed was the lack of a HDMI to DVI-D cable/adaptor. Luckily, the computer shop across town was open 'til 8 and had one for \$20. Just connected them, and the res on my vid card was capable of the native 1680 x 1050 it hadn't shown before, even w/o a reboot. Color tone is fantastic on 'em, and readability superb.

Gosh I love the tech available these days.

I picked up the 3rd monitor I needed while in the shop, and I'm sure it's all good - bought the floor model, got a bit of a discount for it and I could see that there were no dead/stuck pixels so we're good to go on time

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> Interesting side note.. the HannsG site says this model has a 4 port USB
> on it, and staples doesn't list that at all. Not that I care that much,
> but it might be a nice little bonus. It also conflicts with Staples
> listing of a whopping 1w speaker input, and says a monsterous 3w (LOL) x
> 2, and again 18.5 lbs/HG vs 12.2/Staples. - will keep y'all posted.
> Probalby just a revision change and Staples is blowing out the 'old'
> model.
>
> I continue to be pleased at the help and knowledge all you dudes have.
> Many thanks!
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> AA
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Posted by AlexPlasko on Fri, 07 Mar 2008 14:57:15 GMT

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- > Thanks guys!
- > Aaron

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Posted by Aaron Allen on Sat, 08 Mar 2008 01:33:31 GMT

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to be honest man, I was not aware Chris did parts.... I am so ashamed for not touching home base first :(

AA

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