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**IT factsheet - June 15****Computex Taipei 2006**

This annual event held in Taipei is the world's second largest IT trade show, and Asia's largest IT trade show. Held over five days from June 6-10, this event is flooded with international buyers and exhibitors from across the IT industry. The event covers the spectrum from peripherals and software to multimedia systems, and wireless products.

Held at the Taipei World Trade Centre, the number of visitors reached approximately 130,000, with 1288 exhibitors and 2853 booths, which covered a space of over 60,000 square metres. For this week's IT segment, Charlie went to this event to see for himself some of the latest and greatest devices to come out of the information technology sector. During Charlie's time at Computex he found two new products that caught his eye. Namely, the NU Wireless TV and the SmarThumb my.eraser.

More information on Computex can be found at <http://www.computextaipei.com.tw>

NU Wireless TV

This new product, to be released in Australia in July, 2006, is useful for around the home wherever you want to watch TV. It's great for those of you who would like good portability of your TV viewing, that is wireless. Water resistant and dust resistant, you can watch TV in the comfort of your bathroom, kitchen, or backyard. It can be exposed to high humidity, can get splashed with water or even rained on, so you can enjoy watching your favourite programs by the pool or even near the kitchen sink. Other features are an LCD panel for clear images, a 15.4" screen and an embedded battery that allows for up to 2.5 hours' continuous viewing. The NU Wireless TV allows for watching of TV and you can also plug in a DVD player to watch home movies.

Website: www.nu-australia.com

RRP: \$1699

Retail outlets: not yet available for sale. Contact the Australian distributor, Blue Chip, for more information. Ph.: (02) 8745 8400).

SmarThumb my.eraser This product is portable software and designed to be stored on any USB flash memory device. It allows you to permanently erase all traces of your PC usage including online and offline activities. So the next time you check Hotmail on a work or a friend's computer and you want to ensure there is no trace of your activity, use the my.eraser.

my.eraser is one of nine modules available from SmarThumb and can be trialled by going to its website and downloading a trial version.

Website: www.smarthumb.com

RRP: US\$9.90

Retail outlets: available for purchase online from Friday, June 16 (see website for details)

How to keep your brain healthy

A new video game title from Nintendo, *Brain Training*, has been released today for

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CD of the week: Diesel-Coathanger antennae



DVD of the week - North Country

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the Nintendo DS. This game can help to counteract the onset or impact of diseases such as Alzheimer's in the elderly through some simple exercises to keep the brain young and healthy. This game has been produced in conjunction with Dr Ryuta Kawashima, who, through his research into Alzheimer's, has formulated exercises to help activate the largest regions of the brain and keep our brain healthy.

Brain Training includes word games, arithmetic tests and sudoku puzzles. The idea is that by keeping elderly brains busy and active through the use of computer games, we can ward off diseases such as Alzheimer's. For every copy of *Brain Training* purchased between June 15-July 30, A\$1 will go to Alzheimer's Australia.

Website: <http://games.nintendo.com.au/> and <http://www.braintraining.com.au/>
RRP: \$49.95 (Nintendo DS Lite RRP is \$199.95)



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