

SITE Newsletter September 2017 Issue 94

In this months newsletter we have information on baking if you are blind, get your cash from accessible ATM's and the latest from Apple.

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Section 1: News Update

Baking Blind!

'You don't have to be blind to cook but it helps: extra sounds and smells, touch and tastes!'

That's the introduction on the website of penny melville-brown OBE, who was a WRNS officer before blindness ended her career.

Cooking is yet another daily task that many people take for granted. Having sight loss can make cooking incredibly difficult, but Penny wanted to show the world otherwise.

Baking Blind is her YouTube channel and online project, featuring videos of Penny preparing all manner of dishes, from curries to quails' eggs to Turkish delight.

[Read more.](#)

Talking ATMs launched at all branches of major UK bank Santander has announced talking ATMs for blind and visually impaired customers across all of its UK branches.

Many banks offer talking ATMs at some branches, but Santander's move makes it the first bank to offer the service at every one of its UK outlets – around 1,400. In May, HSBC launched 1,500 talking cash machines around...

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In Brief.....

- Scottish Government releases guidance on ophthalmic services
The guidance can be found [here.](#)

- 16 Year old invents 3D printed eye test for preventing blindness in diabetics

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Section 2: Tech Talk

Apple Officially Announces September 12 Event; Expect to see New iPhones, Apple Watch and Apple TV

Apple has sent out invitations to the press for an event to be held on 12 September at the Steve Jobs Theatre on its new Apple Park Campus in Cupertino.

In addition to unveiling 3 new models of the iPhone, there are strong rumors that Apple will also be introducing the next generations of the Apple Watch and Apple TV.

If these rumours are correct, the main new feature for the Apple Watch will be standalone LTE cellular functionality.

In addition the new iPhone 8 is coming too!

New Customer Services App To Help People With Disabilities

A new app-based system has been launched that aims to “shake up” the customer service industry across shops, banks and other venues. The Welcome app lets people with disabilities tell shops and venues of their arrival, so that staff can provide tailored assistance suited to their condition.

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Samsung Gear VR app

Samsung C-Lab has launched Relumino, a Gear VR app that uses augmented reality to compensate for vision problems. It can magnify the picture or adjust the contrast of what you're looking at if it's just a question of clarity, but it can also remap your field of view (to deal with blind spots or tunnel vision), outline objects and filter colours.

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SITE Apps Club

Interested in the latest accessible apps? Then why not join the Apps Club on Facebook.

To join the apps club you just have to search Facebook for SiteAppsClub all one word and then you can select it from the results and send a request to join.

The next meeting of the SITE Apps Club will take place at the Glasgow Virgin Money Lounge, 145 Queen Street, Glasgow G1 3BJ on Wednesday 27 September.

Section 3: Events and Training

September

14th - Kidz to Adultz, Edinburgh.

18th - 24th September - National Eye Health Week.

27th - SITE Apps Club

October

12th October World Sight Day

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