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April 2008 - Could your PlayStation 3 help find a cure for cancer?

I recently visited a friend who was bemoaning the fact that her teenage son was becoming a virtual hermit, spending most of his waking hours and several hours when he should have been sleeping, playing Grand Theft Auto on his PlayStation 3.

March 2008 - Beauty Becomes a Beast

The iPhone, is it really just a very sexy mobile phone, a real eye catching 'beauty'? Or...., is it in reality about to become a true 'beast' of a mobile business device?

February 2008 - Having an Input

The usefulness of any computer system is largely dependent on the effectiveness of its 'user interface' – the means by which you operate the system, glean information from it, and work out whether your actions have had the desired effect. Of all the aspects of the design of a system, the extent to which the interface is responsive, intuitive, consistent and ergonomic dictates not only how efficiently we can work with the system, but also whether the work gets done at all before anything is bashed, stamped-on or thrown out of the nearest window. 'Getting on' with a user interface is a prerequisite to a long-term, happy relationship with the system.

January 2008 - Here today, Gone tomorrow

At this time of year (early December, 9 hours to the copy deadline and counting...) I often find myself writing about the current must have Christmas gadgets, or trying to make more or less serious predictions about developments in technology over the next couple of years. And this year is no exception, I have left this article to the last minute again – due mainly to too many hours spent on ebay trying to get hold of that Wii games console I rashly promised the kids (only 50 quid more than list price direct from Bulgaria but don't tell them) - and now I'd better follow a tried and tested formula.