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**Pocket PC** - VS - **Palm OS**



**What is the best operating system for you?**



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## Discussion Outline

- Overview of our personal PDA experience
- Basic feature comparison
- Additional considerations
- Applications
- Demos
- PDA Fair

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## Overview

- Our experience
- Comparison
  - Palm OS – Palm Desktop
  - Pocket PC – MS Outlook
  - Mirroring Software allows configuration of Sync
  - Third party alternatives
- Demo Desktop software

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## Pocket PC and Palm OS Comparable Features

- Address Book
- Calendar
- Note Pad
- Email
- Task List
- Calculator
- Handwriting Recognition
- Works with PCs
- 16 bit Color support
- Password Protection

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## Applications

- Installing and converting
- MS Word/Excel vs Data/Vis Documents to Go
- Drug Formularies
- Internet Explorer vs Palm Web Apps (Avant Go)
- Presentation Software
- Video and Audio Applications
- Acrobat Viewer
- E-book readers

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## Additional Considerations

- Cost
- Memory
- Screen Resolution
- Wireless – Mobile Internet
- Processor
- Software Support
- Program Execution – 1 vs many
- Battery Life
- Size and Weight
- Microsoft Integration
- File Management
- Security

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## Useful Web Sites

- Pdabuyersguide  
<http://www.pdabuyersguide.com/>
- Mobile & Wireless Solutions  
<http://www.mobile-and-wireless.com>
- Cnet – Handhelds  
<http://www.cnet.com/>
- ZDNet – Go Mobile  
<http://www.zdnet.com/>

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## PDA Fair

- Eccles Health Sciences Library
- Main Level
- 1:00 – 3:00 PM

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