

## App of the week



### APP ON THE GO!

It's that time of the year again when taking a vacation means going through long and even tiring journeys. And some have to venture on the long road ahead to reach their dream destination. For the literature enthused, this can actually serve as a treat- thank goodness for Audio books! A bit like radio shows that you actually want to listen to, a bit like podcasts before all the funny people stopped doing them and a bit like books being read to you.

Amazon's Audible app is a gateway to its own audio book service, drawing you in with free tasters of some of its best sellers. Worth downloading even if it's only for those free nibbles.

## Gizmo of the week

### TRIBY GETS PERSONAL

It's high time we moved on from the traditional and cute-styled magnets to something



that acts as an added benefit to our usual and mundane tasks- it's the technological era after all. Welcome Triby- a fridge magnet of the 21st century. It comes with Bluetooth and WiFi and a noise-cancelling loudspeaker for phone chats. Invoxia is using the display to allow iOS and Android users to send doodles to the device, make calls to it, and even stream music to the speaker over Bluetooth. Invoxia is even promising a month's worth of battery life, with charging via a mini USB connector. Comes at a price of around BD75.

# NEW SMART TICKETING LAUNCHED

**B**ahrain Public Transport Company (BPTC) have introduced the GO Card, a pre-paid, re-usable smart card that facilitates flexible, convenient and faster travel for public transport users.

The GO Card is the first smart ticketing system to be introduced in Bahrain and one in a series of new products and services to be gradually added to the new bus network, in line with the Ministry of Transportation and Telecommunications' (MTT) efforts to upgrade and enhance Bahrain's public transport system.

According to BPTC Director, Mark Kipling, "Smart ticketing is a vital component of this project and crucial in elevating Bahrain's public transport system, and enhancing the passenger journey. GO Cards are a cheaper, user-friendly alternative to the paper tickets and we have made sure they are easily accessible to all passengers across all sectors".



### ADIEU TO PAPER TICKETS

GO Cards provide passengers with a re-usable top-up alternative to paper tickets and can be used on any route across the bus network. GO Cards are charged for the zones crossed in any complete one-way journey including connections between buses and offer a cheaper travel option to purchasing tickets for individual routes.

They are available as one-day passes or can store cash credit and can be used as per passenger needs and convenience. There is an initial fee of 500Fils when first purchasing a GO Card and it can then be reloaded with any amount of credit up to a maximum of BD50.

GO Cards are widely obtainable and can be purchased from the bus drivers or the Ticket Vending Machines at the main bus terminals in Manama, Isa Town and Muharraq.



# CANON BRINGS OUT THE BIG 3



**C**anon Middle East has launched three new large format printers – the Canon imagePROGRAF iPF830, iPF840 and iPF850 - to bring reliable, precise and productive printing to architecture, engineering and construction (AEC), reprography and Computer Aided Design (CAD) environments.

The new devices deliver best-in-class functionality and performance to the high-volume print market. The upgraded system architecture delivers fast and continuous printing with the

ability to replace ink tanks during print jobs and deliver speeds of up to 42 seconds for A0 plain paper in economy mode.

At the same time, the imagePROGRAF iPF850 improves efficiency and usability thanks to a high-capacity stacker that can hold up to 100 sheets of different sized paper (up to A0), making it quick and easy to collect documents by ensuring that they are not curled. The iPF840 and iPF850 support dual roll to easily handle different types and varying widths

of paper up to 44", at the same time. It enables automatic paper switching between rolls to suit print requirements, resulting in high production printing without any intervention by the operator for paper changing.

Businesses that require eye-catching prints, such as indoor poster and point of sale printing environments, will also appreciate the addition of the latest High Chroma magenta ink for enhanced colour reproduction and more vibrant results.



## HEARD OF THE AIRDROID?

**T**here's a big chance that you haven't. When there is a sea of useless apps out there, a person tends to miss out on the really good ones.

Well, AirDroid has been out for a while and even though it's being mostly used by technical users, it can actually can do wonders for the average joe too. AirDroid makes the multi-screen life easier and more focused, by helping you access and manage your phone from any computer, anywhere and anytime, without the need of a cable or connector. You just have to send an SMS, view app notifications, transfer files and fully control your phone on computer via the AirDroid.

It's a really handy tool for users who do want to carry a cable with at all times. Aside from all the useful phone management tools, AirDroid can also play your music on the pc without having to transfer the songs. Once you launch the app, it will run a tutorial for you on how to use it. AirDroid is available for free on the Google Play Store.



Didn't get Windows 10 on July 29? scan the code to find out if you have missed a step.