The internet really is a series of tubes



Hundreds of cables. Hundreds of thousands of miles. The internet runs, in vastly more ways than we realize or think about, through a series of garden-hose size tubes on the ocean floor. Without those tubes, the modern world sort of collapses. And the folks responsible for keeping them functioning have bigger, harder, stranger jobs than you might think.

Then, we chat with *The Verge*'s Tom Warren and Joanna Nelius about the new generation of PCs that Microsoft and others seem to think are going to be huge improvements over anything we've seen before. Can Qualcomm finally make the PC chip we've been waiting for? Is this really, actually, finally the year of Windows on Arm? What the heck is an AI PC? We cover all of that and more.

Lastly, Alex Cranz joins to help us answer a hotline question about e-readers. Because it's always interesting times in e-readers.

If you want to know more about everything we discuss in this episode, here are a few links to get you started, beginning with Josh’s story on undersea cables:

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