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JosephKK wrote:

Joerg notthisjoergsch@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx posted to sci.electronics.design:

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Joerg wrote:

Hello Folks,

After the umpteenth freeze where I can't get any email to the laptop I've had it with Thunderbird. Mozilla was good and a lot less buggy but it ain't now more, only the huge SeaMonkey version.

Eudora now says on the site that the no-nagware version (paid) is no longer being sold. Does this mean Eudora may be going away?

Ok guys, found it out. There was an older Norton version on there,

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hasn't been update since 2006 so it hasn't changed. Beats me how that could suddenly interfere. It had to actually be hosed off the harddrive in its entirety, then a reboot, before Thunderbird would work.

Good old norton – you can always rely on it to stuff up your machine.

AV programs are incredibly intrusive. I suppose they have to be.

They probably intercept every operation on a file or network packet.

What really irks me about them is that they are notoriously disobedient. When you turn a firewall function off I expect it to be OFF. It wasn't. McAfee on another PC is the same. It's going to be outta here one of these days but first I have to find something better. Tried out AVG but that has a rather huge footprint, slows things down too much. Anyone know about the AOL version? Or does MS provide something good enough?

Browsers have some similar "not so nice" traits. For example, all of the ones I've ever used (except Mosaic!) do not offer much authority over the STOP button. When that is pressed I expect a web transfer to terminate this instant. Nope, don't work. Often it has to be CTRL-ALT-DEL, works every single time. IMHO Mosaic was the best browser ever, to this day unsurpassed in robustness and user authority.

Personally, i prefer clam av / clamwin. It does not get in the way much, and the up to date properties is very good. If you don't mind doing a little manual scheduling, it can be very nice. It only scans what and when you tell it to. But the detect and cleanup rate is better than norton or macafee.

However, AFAIK it doesn't monitor inbound web traffic so you've got to keep a firewall in addition. I just learned from Dell that the Windows version may be useless in a network situation. Turn it on and you can't see any server or other PC. Oh man, it seems it can't even discern between a legitimately requested transfer \_by\_ the PC on which it resides versus an outside request.

Now I wish there was another browser of the quality level of Mosaic where a hanging or rogue transfer from a web site can be stopped using, duh!, the STOP button instead of CRTL-ALT-DEL.

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Regards, Joerg

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