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On Fri, 12 Oct 2007 22:19:09 -0700, JosephKK
<joseph_barrett@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

Joerg notthisjoersch@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx posted to
sci.electronics.design:

David Brown wrote:

Joerg wrote:

Ecnerwal wrote:

In article
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Joerg
<notthisjoersch@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>
wrote:

AFAIK no
spam filter
and that's
really
important
these days.

Your mail service provider
might provide some – Mine
used to
provide a great mode where

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they would flag stuff they thought was spam, and send it all downstream where I could filter it. Now it's either no filtering, or filtering on their system – they dumbed it down. Still, I find that a bunch of positive filters (pull off mail from real people you commonly email) and negative filters (the various popular spam words/misspellings) does a pretty good job on spam. I've used Eudora for decades, and never got into the paid version with spam filter (nor the ad version until after they stopped running ads, though it still brings up an annoying gray square).

Can't do that, I get mail from several servers into one.

You can use a local spam filter pop3 proxy – popfile is, I believe, one of the most popular. I used it before I started using spamassasin on our server.

<http://popfile.sourceforge.net/>

If you have a Linux box available, I'd recommend setting up a proper mail server – dovecot is easy, and you can use fetchmail to collect email from a variety of pop3 boxes. That way you have your email

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on a secure system, available from any email client you want
on any
PC (via
IMAP). When your client OS goes bonkers, or you find a
new email
program you like, or want to access the same email from a
different
machine, you have no problem.

Release (if it ever happens)
of the open source
equivalent seems
to be glacial.

Won't do much good if it then just sits there
or gets folded into
Thunderbird.

I doubt if Eudora will get merged with Thunderbird, but I
also
doubt
that it will see much progress as open source. You can't
expect a
development community to form around a product just by
posting a
link to the code on your website – Qualcomm are going to
have to
work much
harder if they want to get some developer momentum behind
it. At
the moment, most people interested in working with open
source
email programs are looking at Thunderbird, Evolution, or
KMail –
developers will need a good reason to start working with
Eudora.

What I've seen of spam
filters on other people's
systems, and
when exploring other

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mailers and not liking them
enough to change
has not been impressive.

Mozilla (the old integrated suite) works very well with its spam filters. But they've discontinued that a long time ago and like with any good software I keep hanging on. I've changed software when it wasn't absolutely needed just brought extra fluff and grief. Just like with this Thunderbird.

Thunderbird works fine for most people – I don't know what's causing your problems, but clearly it's not a common issue (since you found nothing in your searches).

I did find a lot but only people having the very same problem, no solutions that worked. After I uninstalled Norton it now works. Sort of, still sluggish.

Norton is a virus/trojan. It does not uninstall cleanly let alone completely either. You need a registry cleaner. Check www.mvps.org and dts-l.org for worthwhile ones.

There is a Symantec-specific uninstaller for corrupt installations. If you're having problems go to their website to get it.

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