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On Tue, 05 Aug 2008 12:01:16 +0100, Dirk Bruere at NeoPax
<dirk.bruere@xxxxxxxx> wrote:

JosephKK wrote:

On Sun, 3 Aug 2008 19:41:44 -0400, krw <krw@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>
wrote:

In article
<48pb949b553rahdhtpu82kk535u8ljb13@xxxxxxxx>,
quiettechblue@xxxxxxxx says...

On Sun, 3 Aug 2008 10:09:22 -0400, krw
<krw@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

In article
<[48959a6e\\$0\\$56787\\$edfadb0f@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:48959a6e$0$56787$edfadb0f@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)>,
frithiof.jensen@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
says...

"krw"
<krw@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>
skrev i
meddelelsen
news:MPG.22fe1949a3fccd01989f4b@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

In
article
<[48942f36\\$1\\$56778\\$edfadb0f@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:48942f36$1$56778$edfadb0f@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)>,
frithiof.jensen@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
says...

"Martin
Brown"
<news@nezumi.demon.co.uk>
skrev

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+
1
Gig
RAM
-
But
this
time
on
a
Dual
core
1.8
GHz
Toshiba
A300
lapdog
with
3
GB
RAM!!

Not
too
surprising,
since
a
1.8GHz
processor
isn't
all
that
much
more
power
than
a
1.2GHz,
given
the
memory
bottleneck.
A
laptop
will
also
be
significantly
slower
than
a

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decent
desktop.

It's a dual
core should
be ~twice as
fast.

Did the tooth fairy visit you
last night?

There
is
a
lot
to
of
things
switch
off
but
especially:
The
service
"Superfetch"
which
sucks
away
all
the
RAM
and
"Readyboost"
which
I
will
never
use.
Since
it
is
a
lapdog
one
can
also
set
the
HDD
to

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use
maximum
buffering
because
we
have
backup
power.

HDD
buffering
has
nothing
to
do
with
performance.
It's
there
for
the
disk
drive,
not
the
computer.

Vista likes
to swap,
swap &
swap – so
we want the
disk to
appear fast!

Hard disk "cache" has
nothing to do with
swapping. It's there for
the drive's use (decoupling
the magnetics from the
interface), not
the OS'.

On
"Windows
Features"
I
killed
the
following:

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Remote
Differential
Compression*,
Removable
storage
management,
Services
for
NFS,
Print
Services,
Windows
Fax
&
Scan,
Windows
Meeting
Space,
Windows
DFS
Replication
Service,
Indexing
Service.

You
don't
use
removable
storage?
Printers?

Names are
misleading:
The
removable
storage
management
is for legacy
handling of
NT
backups, the
print
services are
for
web-printing;
No, i do
not use any
of those.

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Ah, and here I thought that
"removable storage
management" was used
to support storage devices
that were, well, removable.
...and
printing services for...

Anyways:

<http://www.howtogeek.com/howto/windows-vista/re>

*responsible
for
hour-loooong
drag
&
drop
Vista
Experience
via
Explorer!!!

Next
job
is
to
get
dual-boot
going!

I
tried
to
get
dual
boot
to
work
with
two
'doze
sessions
(bringing
up
a
new
drive)
but
one
kept

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stomping
all
over
the
other,
turning
both
to
mush.

It will work
with Linux.
Unfortunately
my WLAN
hardware is
not
recognised
when
test-booting
from a
Knoppix
CD so there
will be
work to be
done here.

I intend on trying that,
though I'm not too
optimistic that the
Linux will find enough of
my hardware to make it
useful. I've given
up (at least temporarily)
trying to get Linux to work
on my desktop,
and that should have been a
piece of cake.

Just for curiosity, what is the desktop
hardware configuration? (MOBO,
CPU, RAM size, optional stuff like video,
audio, etc.,)

Tyan K8W (S-2875S), Opteron, 3GB, Matrox G550 (all the
rest of the
stuff is integrated), two monitors (one DVI, one VGA). SuSE
refuses
to deal with the second monitor and a few other issues and
forget
Ubuntu. I can't get past the live CD. Installing is no help.

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I was running SuSE 9.0 on it for a year or so, but gave up on 10.0 and never went back.

How strange, but maybe not. Suse 10.0 and 10.1 were a bit flaky. Try 10.3, it is real nice IME. Handles my A64-X2 dual core nicely and is very clean. Radeon X2600 and 22 inch 19:10 flat panel as well. 10/100/1000 Ethernet, high d 7.2 sound on MOBO. Getting XP running was ten times the hassle, mostly over sound.

I tried Suse for a couple of months.
It was hellish.
If I ever give Linux another go it will probably be with Ubuntu.

Try it any time you wish. It has a very good reputation of just working for many people.