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- *From:* krw <krw@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>
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In article <iqcn949fvm01o6qergntmhpr5socrdssqh@xxxxxxx>, quiettechblue@xxxxxxx says...

On Thu, 7 Aug 2008 06:16:40 -0400, krw <krw@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

In article <1ork941paslicds5too66i3vl6burivl3q@xxxxxxx>, quiettechblue@xxxxxxx says...

On Wed, 06 Aug 2008 23:17:19 +0100, Dirk Bruere at NeoPax <dirk.bruere@xxxxxxx> wrote:

krw wrote:

In article <6fqq7sFcq69aU5@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>, dirk.bruere@xxxxxxx says...

JosephKK wrote:

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

In article <48pb949b553rahfdhtpu82kk535u8ljb13@xxxxxxx>

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quiettechblue@xxxxxxxxx
says...

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

In
article
<48959a6e\$0\$56787\$edfadb0f@xxx
frithiof.jensen@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>
says...

"krw"
<krw@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>
skrev
i
meddelelsen
news:MPG.22fe1949a3fccd0

In
article
<48942f36\$1\$56778
frithiof.jensen@xxx
says...

"Martin
Brown"
<|||newspam
skrev
i
meddelelsen
news:e58eb\$

My
only
copy
of
Vist
cam
prein
and

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is
suffi
unsta
on
a
Tosh
laptc
that
I
wou
neve
reco
anyo
to
use
it.

I
actually
got
Vista
to
a
useable
state
–
meaning:
About
the
same
speed
as
the
old
1.2
GHz
Athlon
64
+
1
Gig
RAM
–
But
this
time
on
a
Dual
core
1.8

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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
decent
desktop.

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

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Did
the
tooth
fairy
vist
you
last
night?

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

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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.

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It's
there
for
the
drive's
use
(decoupling
the
magnetics
from
the
interface),
not
the
OS'.

On
"Windows
Features"
I
killed
the
following:

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

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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.

Ah,
and
here
I
thought
that
"removable
storage
management"
was
used
to
support
storage
devices

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that
were,
well,
removable.
...and
printing
services
for...

Anyways:
<http://www.l>

*responsible
for
hour-loooooon
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

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kept
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

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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

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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

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no
help.

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

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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.

As I indicated a while back,
I found Ubuntu to be totally

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unusable
(i/e uninstallable). The
display was unreadable
(~.001pt fonts).

Which release?

Since you mention it, which Suse release gave trouble and on
what
hardware?

Same hardware[*]; SuSE 10.0. SuSE 9.0 worked, sorta. At least I
could trick it into recognizing both displays (it really didn't want
to). It wasn't perfect and it seemed that the SuSE and Matrox folks
had a long running pissing contest going.

[*] I chose SuSE for its early 64bit support and "full package".

Understood. Since 7.0 most *.0 Suse releases are buggy. If it gets
up to *.2 or higher it is pretty stable. Select distribution and
version with care. Testing with the current Knoppix is a pretty good
way to detect potential problems. Also try maximizing the ram
available.

Wasn't bugs that bothered me. Stuff was missing from 10.0 that was
there in 9.0. I have 3GB in the system. That's almost enough for
Vista. Linux should be happy with it. ;—)

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Keith

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