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Neil Gerace wrote:

Western Australia went from UTC+8 to UTC+9 last Sunday. So in my case it's because my computer at work hasn't been updated with the daylight saving patch which will enable it to show the correct time. And it's not like the IT crowd hasn't had 12 months to do it. This summer is the second year of a 3-year trial, after which comes a referendum. The three daylight saving referenda WA has had in the last 30 years have all failed by very narrow margins.

Things were going fine in in America until our congress decide it could control time itself, and changed the dates of going into daylight saving time and out of it was not what was written into the law...or more importantly, the Windows computer programs.

So, it's complete chaos now that the Windows time update isn't working right and anyone that didn't flip it off is looking at a hour off their correct time on their computer.

I think this is great...it's like that cheap Czechoslovakian alarm clock I bought out at WalMart after the fall of the Soviet Union, that could gain or lose three or four hours a day.

'If it's 3 PM, how come it's dark out...is it really 3 AM...Christ...I drank what...is this Saturday or Sunday...night...or...morning'

There's a wonderful Zen aspect to all that – reconsider all preconceived notions– the Czech alarm clock was like a Zen master asking 'in what time zone did you first stop thinking about the white horse.'...there'd by a question mark there, but the keyboard is still on the fritz, and the computer whiz kids I've consulted have explained the error that caused the problem in the cybernetic analytical language of the new computer age – 'The keyboard is fucked'. ;–)

Pat

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