

Re: I'm a Bastard Operator... From Hell.

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To: Debian-User <debian-user@lists.debian.org>

On -5446-Tue, Jul 29, 2003 at 12:41:20AM -0500, Ron Johnson <ron.l.johnson@cox.net> spake thus,

> *On Tue, 2003-07-29 at 00:29, Aaron wrote:*

> > *Hey ladies and gents-*

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> > *I had someone SSHed into my box the other day (my laptop) while at*

> > *work and I wanted to screw with him by booting him off. I obviously*

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> *What's more important is, "How the heck did this person get a*

> *valid password for that machine?"*

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> *That's what *I* would be concerned about...*

Unfortunately I find it impossible to trust all people. Although the security and preventative measures available to Linux (handed down from Unices of lore) are strong, I can't imagine that any system might be idiot-proof. What if someone is messing with bash scripting and accidentally creates an endless loop spawning mozilla processes? It is quite possible that that user might be unaware of 'killall' and completely unable to rectify his or her own accident.

I don't assert that it is likely a sysadmin might have to boot a valid user from a system, but since *someone* wrote 'slay' I'm assuming there was a need.

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