

## Re: Using a novell shared printer from debian.

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On (27/07/05 22:26), Kent West wrote:

> [ilham.firdaus@id.pwc.com](mailto:ilham.firdaus@id.pwc.com) wrote:

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>> *I don't have any problem to use the resource of windows environment*

>> *but for the resources of novell shared yes.*

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>> *for example I can not print any document from my debian box onto a*

>> *shared printer. This printer is shared by a novell server. the ip of*

>> *the server is 192.168.23.1 and the name of printer is Q8111.*

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>> *So I downloaded ncpfs and try a simple printer with this way:*

>> *nprint -S 192.168.23.1 -U firdaus -P pinter -q Q8111 ./testing.txt*

>> *It printed properly.*

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>> *But I don't understand how to make a default printer set up in my KDE.*

>> *I use the printer setup menu of the Control Center but I don't know*

>> *which option I should choose in making my debian can print onto a*

>> *netware shared printer.*

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> *I think printing is still pretty much a nightmare in Linux.*

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> *What I do, is to install cups (aptitude install cupsys - I always have*

> *to install printer drivers also, but I never can remember (the name of*

> *the package is non-intuitive, something like foomatic-db-gimp-print -*

> *why is "gimp" in there?!?!).*

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> *Then point your web browser to "<http://localhost:631/admin>" and you*

> *should be able to figure it out from there.*

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> *(Why is there no man page for cups or cupsys?!?! Why is it so hard to*

> *find the :631 reference?!?! Why is the documentation wrong when it does*

> *mention 631?!?! (Recently you've had to add the /admin portion, which is*

> *not referenced in /usr/share/doc/Readme.txt.gz Otherwise you get*

> *nothing?!?! Okay, I'm finished with my rant, except to say that printing*

> *still sucks on Linux!!)*

Wow! You really are p\*ssed ;)

Debian-User: Re: Using a novell shared printer from debian.

Yep. I found trying to do anything IPP (via KDE) a nightmare and as for xprint .....

The one document that seems to get me up and running painlessly (using cups) is this one:

<http://www.faqs.org/docs/Linux-mini/Debian-and-Windows-Shared-Printing.html>

.... not given me a headache yet.

In my experience, printing can be a pain in any operating system when it goes wrong. I recall hours of fun with Mac OS8/9.

Regards

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