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Gabriel Parrondo wrote:

El mar, 25-09-2007 a las 21:33 -0500, Mike McCarty escribiÃ³:  
[snip of something I can't help with]

She can't associate multiple queues with a single printer, but there is already another thread about that. There is currently no work around, but there is hope that using the CUPS I/F directly may work.

Let us know when you try this out. I have several instances of each printer created in cups each one with different configuration (grayscale, color, color high quality) and it works great. Using gnome.

Really? I worked on that repeatedly with no success. Works great on my machine (different distro, however). I wonder if we need to do a

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# apt-get update some-package
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or sth like that.

So far, she's unable to get her printer to full functionality. I kludged up a printer description which sorta works, but not fully. It's an HP, but I don't at present recall the exact model number. It is a combined Printer/FAX/Scanner. So far, it just prints either in greyscale or color, depending on how we've edited queue at the moment. We can't select different print quality, color/greyscale, or any other options except by editing the one queue associated with it. It is also supposed to be able to read and print camera memory sticks, but that only works in stand-alone mode, with no way to get the info from the printer to the computer. Supposedly, this works with THE OTHER OS, though that is unverified. Anyway, at present it's running with my kludgy edit of another printer description file, not one from Debian, and just as a simple

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printer, it can't even do a realign. None of the other functions are currently usable.

Does she have the hplip package installed?

I'm not sure that would help anyway given the way it's set up. There was (is?) no proper printer definition file for that printer. I kludged up another printer which is somewhat close just to make it work with HPJIS, and renamed the file. It may have HPLIP, but I doubt it.

It includes an app called hp-toolbox which let's you do all the tasks you would do with the hp-director in WS (i.e. the cartridge cleaning/realignment, see how loaded the cartridges are, etc)

This printer is pretty smart. It may not need so much. I dunno. If I replace a cartridge, it automatically runs some sort of alignment on itself.

But presently, we can't change the dpi etc. That's more the kind of thing needed. I need a proper printer def file. Is there an apt-get which can be done to check for additional printer defs? Making the scanner part and the FAX work is another issue. She really wants the scanner to work as well. I have no experience with SANE or any scanner drivers on Linux.

Another issue which has never been posted: She installed more memory. She had 512 MB RAM, and now has 1.5 Gig. Unfortunately, Debian seems only to recognize just under 1.0 Gig. I haven't looked on the web for a fix for that, so I haven't posted here. Part of the reason I haven't gone searching for a solution, is that her reaction to that was to purchase a copy of Windows XP.

apt-get install linux-image-686-bigmem

Aha! Thanks!

She's sorta impulsive, sometimes.

Partly, she also wants access to a disc which was formatted by Windows NT, and which she considers she has no access to

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at present. (Not quite true, but I try not to argue with her very much. It is true that she has some apps on there which won't run under Debian.)

ntfs-3g if it is ntfs.

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# apt-get ntfs-3g

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It is indeed NTFS.

I dunno how much progress will be made, even if I can make everything work by Saturday evening. She seems kinda to have made up her mind. I have, um, limited influence over her behavior. :-)

Well, the windows' been bought already...

Yeppers. But not opened. However F-PROT has been purchased, and I suspect its a "non-returnable" kinda thing. I've got one of those "funny feelings" that her mind is kinda made up.

Mike

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