

Re: Switch computer back to Eastern time

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Tim:

If that's the same as the system-config-date, then the "local time source" is for when you're connected to something like a radio clock, GPS, or other source of reference time that's not completely remote from you (like servers on the internet).

Claude Jones:

I looked that up, and I see that's correct. I've actually never touched that particular setting, so I'm assuming it's a default setting, which seems a little strange. I'm not even sure how I would connect my computer to a radio-controlled clock. In any event, those settings work well for me across multiple machines. I happen to have a radio controlled clock/barometer right next to this machine, so I'm able to see whether my computer time is correct, since my radio clock is getting its time from the atomic clock in Colorado, USA. They're always completely in sync.

Now I'm jealous, we don't have anything to keep a radio clock working, as far as I can tell, in Australia. The government killed VNG years ago (a shortwave radio time station), much to the distress of various ignored voices, and I seem to recall that radio clocks use a different scheme than the old shortwave transmitters. We'd only have satellites to take advantage of (e.g. expensive GPS). With all the things that have clocks in them, these days, it's a right pain to have to manually reset them when there's a power outage or the time changes due to daylight savings. I have to admit that I'd love to build a nixie tube clock, and connect it to my LAN. ;-)

I'm curious, does your barometer actually work? We've an old analog one that rarely moves its pointer. I suspect it's a cheapy.

Like you, I though the default of enabling the "local source" option to be a bit odd. I'm sure it's a rarity that someone actually has one. And considering the different ways that one could be connected (audio link, serial, USB), it'd surely need custom configuration to be useable.

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2.6.22.1-33.fc7 i686 i386

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