

Re: Fedora-9 + KDE minor issue #5

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On Wed, 2008-05-21 at 15:58 +0100, Anne Wilson wrote:

On Wednesday 21 May 2008 15:49, Timothy Murphy wrote:

Anne Wilson wrote:

[Incidentally, has the Control Center disappeared in Fedora-9, or is F=>Applications=>Settings=>System Settings a replacement for it?]

Yes it is. I don't know whether other things will be added to it, though.

While I like the Windows-like layout, the individual settings, eg Desktop, seem much feebler than before.

Actually, I find a lot of the settings in KDE-4 very strange. It is as though a completely new set of people developed KDE-4 without ever looking at KDE-3. Many of the options that used to be offered seem to have disappeared, for no apparent reason.

For your settings, have you looked at the various files in `.kde/share/config/` ?

Thanks for the suggestion, but I didn't find anything relevant to my (minor) problem, that while some choices, eg Konsole in Desktop 2, persist through re-boots, others, eg Konsole in Desktop 1, do not.

It's hard to work out whether it's our ineptitude with the new system or just

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that the thing we are looking for hasn't arrived yet :-)

there are a number of features that are simply missing on KDE-4...I suppose it was the price of progress. The biggest thing that bothers me is the Desktop itself...

- you can't delete files directly from the desktop, you have to use Dolphin
- you can't jump to files on the desktop by pressing the first letter on the keyboard.
- desktop icon alignment options are weak.

Another thing and I'm not certain that it's KDE-4 but I think it is...is that starting applications from the taskbar isn't reliable and neither is switching between applications by clicking on their icons in the taskbar. I have had a few moments of seemingly hanging when switching applications via the taskbar. At those moments, X and Plasma seem to be using excessive cycles and have even had to force an X quit several times since installing Fedora 9.

Yes, there are some minor annoyances...as Tim points out, I don't get the multiple tabbed Konsole restored but only 1 instance with 1 tab when re-entering my Desktop.

To Tim...it's not that things are feebler or have disappeared for any reason...there actually is a reason and that the benefits of the re-write of KDE aren't apparent yet and so if you expected to see progress at this point, you will be disappointed. I am however, keeping the faith.

Craig

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