

Re: Beagle crap !

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After serious contemplation, on or about Tuesday 20 March 2007 12:53 pm
Paul J Gans perhaps from gans@xxxxxxxx wrote:

Darrell Stec <darrell_stec@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

In the meantime I am busy trying to install openSuse 10.2 on an older PIII 500MHz computer with 384MB of ram via a online installation. It is quite a learning system and I'm on my 8th attempt. Primarily things started going downhill at the very beginning when the kernel did not recognize my internet adapter. (It is on the list but not listed in the network adapter modules). Getting past that the installation did not like my partitioning. I think I got passed that and it is downloading files. Fun, Fun, fun and I should be updating the data in kMyMoney so I can get on with my taxes.

I have 10.0 installed on a venerable Pentium machine running at 350 Mhz with 256 MB of memory. Runs just fine. In fact, I'm using it right now to post this.

I tried 10.2 on it but it gave me troubles. I didn't try too hard though.

After about 24 hours of straight work (mostly waiting for downloads to do its thing) I finally got openSuse 10.2 up and running. And it is surprisingly fast, in fact faster than the Win98SE installation. But it was a struggle. One thing that caused problems with SAX2 working was that there was a bad RAM stick (and Win98SE didn't seem to notice although some things acted a little quirky). The installation kept hanging at various points (and I mean hours at a time) and had to be restarted. When it finally finished it never asked for a root password nor a user and password plus I had to run the program to fix the files and journal. Using Rescue mode I entered the information necessary (thank goodness I have this main computer to look up things on the

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Internet [most of it came from alt.os.linux.suse]) and when I rebooted it started the installation process all over again, but this time in Graphics mode. After that, everything worked great and continues to do so.

One strange thing was that in text mode none of the keyboards I used worked properly. [Repairing computers, I have many of them available.) Sometimes a k