

## Re: peculiar problem: ping works, but cannot browse. Need help of network gurus.

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/dev/rob0 wrote:

> *In article <3F218CDF.713E7AEF@yahoo.com>, HS wrote:*

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>>*I tied making it "yes", but in this case I couldn't even ping, and ppp0 was never*

>>*established successfully :(*

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> *Without ppp0 of course you won't get anywhere. pppd has a "debug" option*

> *which might help you figure out why the connection is failing. Where the*

> *debug output goes varies by distro, depending on settings in*

> */etc/syslog.conf.*

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>>*So, it seems like PEERDNS=yes just causes more problems. With "no" optoin, I can*

>>*browse the web by using IP address, but not domain names.*

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> *You can manually edit your /etc/resolv.conf, too, if you know you have*

> *good nameservers to put in it. But it's pointless if the PPP fails.*

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>>*Thanks for your hints though. You probably have no idea how I am feeling having to*

>>*depend on Windows to solve this problem :-)*

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> *Ah, not true. Not at all. I went through it in 1999; later for almost a*

> *year I was stuck behind a Windows proxy. I know what pain is. :)*

Hi Rob,

It is working !!!!!!!!!!!!!

Just for the record, for others too who may be having this problem now or in future, I was able to ping IP addresses but was not able to browse the net using domain names. The problem was that /etc/resolv.conf was

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not readable by others and groups. I changed it's permissions and pinged  
www.google.com successfully. And then I tried browsing with Mozilla, and  
felt the sweet taste of success when the page loaded, not to mention the  
sudden receding of the feeling that I might go c