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On 2007-11-05, Send <[Send@xxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:Send@xxxxxxxxxxxxx)> wrote:

Rikishi 42 wrote:

On 2007-11-03, Send <[Send@xxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:Send@xxxxxxxxxxxxx)> wrote:

Rikishi 42 wrote:

This is the situation: a friend and I both use a broadband router with a few machines behind them, at our respective homes. We each picked a name for our 'domain'. His is fictional. Mine also exists on the net, but with only the www and ftp of rikishi42.net defined in the DNS, not my home machines.

stealing – Using some one elses domain name is unethical.  
Bottom line  
"IT'S NOT YOURS"

Yes it is. Read the headers...

Are You trolling Read Youyr own post You said & I Quote  
"Mine also exists on the net"

Exactly. So where is the stealing? It's \*mine\*.

192.168.xxx.xxx addresses are private network addresses and usually not forwarded upstream by a router. Can you imagine what would happen if everyone using the same addresses allowed all their network traffic to

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reach the www. They would be mass collisions Not to mention that your private network is no longer "private".

Be forewarned of the security implications

Are you on medication? Or did you just miss the original post?

What You have trouble reading ... The original is Quoted DUA

We are not putting the 192.168.x.x addresses in any DNS, nor using trough the Internet.

I use it, between my machines.

He uses it between his machines.

He's added 2 of my machines into his laptop's /etc/hosts, so he can use it when he's visiting me, and connects to my LAN. From my home, in my home.

Never is that non-routable range used on the Net, for \$DEITY's sake.

My guess is that, upon finding that rikishi42.net exists, there is an attempt to get the address from the DNS, skipping hosts all together.

But do I presume correctly, or is there more to it?

Why bother with all this ? Do it right. Just use the name & IP address that has been assigned to you by your ISP. If you are assigned a dynamic (IP address changes from time to time) which they normally are then use a FREE service like DynDns and have your own "REAL" domain ...

And just how many IP's do you get from your ISP? I get 2, and that just not enough. Hence the used of a broadband router.

they have several domain you can pick from other than dyndns.org. There are programs you can run that will update the Dyndns listing automatically when your ISP changes your IP address.

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Since they aren't used on the Net, there is no point in DynDNS.

Dns lookup Work ... Other friends anyware can reach your  
machine and you  
will NOT be blocked by upstream routers.

You *\*are\** stoned out of your mind, aren't you. :-)

Please, please read the original post, and grep it.

You asked for the help

Yep, and I appreciate all help I've gotten. I'll be examining my friends  
nsswitch config, first.

You had misunderstood the question so much, it amased not only me, but  
other's as well. If you want to understand, please read the original post,  
and \_all\_ the answers people posted. But I allready suggested that, and you  
didn't bother, did you? :-)

.. Go play with your dolls somewhere OFF Usenet  
INTERNET

Usenet INTERNET ? Weird.

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There is an art, it says, or rather, a knack to flying.  
The knack lies in learning how to throw yourself at the ground and miss.  
Douglas Adams

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