

Re: Browsers browsers

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: Roland Hall wrote:

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: you arent taking into account the countless people who download and
: distribute via non-mozilla server means (as in CDs or rehosting)
: and btw about crashing... IE -for me- has crashed more than firefox and
: ive been using firefox for about the same amount of time as i have IE
: [on this machine] crashing one IE window takes them all down, just like
: firefox, IE however manages to take explorer.exe with it [due to OS
: intergration]

I agree that IE can crash other windows but only if they're spawned from the same window. When I open them separately, the others stay open. Don't get me wrong. I'm not completely happy with MSFT or IE. I would actually like MSFT to remove IE from the OS integration and just let us use Windows Explorer that way, but they're all tied together or appear to be.

: also, with all the FUD coming from various MS sources you fail to see
: why pheonix was changed to firebird then was changed to firefox...
: another products named those names were out there, hence name change so
: as to not breach copyrights etc.

That was just a jab thrown in there. I admit a lot of my whine is not critical but then I never agree with marketing attempts by anyone where they insult their competitors. All software comparisons done by companies against their competitors is biased.

"Our browser will kiss your ass while surf" may be a nice feature but not required for basic browser functionality.

: mozilla has never claimed their software is perfect, as no software can
: be perfect... BUGS WILL BE DISCOVERED, except the difference between
: open and closed source projects is that open source projects can be
: fixed a lot lot easier as thousands of developers or the public can
: download and edit the source code, patching it and sending to mozilla
: the patches or code changes that fix the bugs.

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No, they said it was better than IE, in every way and not a security risk to the OS because they're not tied to it, they don't support VBScript nor ActiveX. I know that's BS because I can compromise a Novell Netware box or Solaris or HP/UX without running any of them or their applications, languages. It's marketing. Just look at their main page today.

"Security, cool features of FireFox Web Browser beat Microsoft's IE". For someone trying to distance themselves from IE, they sure speak of them quite often, although all negative.

: The many months waiting for MS to release a patch for IE is due to the
: OS intergration as you said, but that inherently makes it less secure.

No it doesn't. That's not how security works. I don't expect my browser to be a security device/app. I don't like IE being tied to the OS but security is not the reason and never has been.

: This is due to the fact that as i said before when my IE went down,
: Windows went down and this was just a crash, not even a hacking attempt...

And when FF crashes, it may lose all your bookmarks. Of course the Mozilla damage control machine is now pointing to MSFT as the cause. Mozilla Motto: Never accept blame when you can blame MSFT.

: when firefox goes down [if it does as on some systems it doesnt or
: rarely after years] it is just the application, there is no way into the
: inner core of the OS

Ya', I know. The OS is safe in all regards. *yawn*

: also, firefox has never "begged" people to put links up, the people who
: do it do it of their own accord, because they care for the product which
: is, as most open-source based projects are, community-based.

Never say never.

http://kalsey.com/blog/2004/09/why_i_dont_recommend_firefox/index.html

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Roland Hall

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