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Hello

Exactly !! BUT "HOW TO flip the Directory attribute bit back"
Would you be so kind as to precise what is this "bit" how to put it back.

Thanks emmensly

Serge

"cquirke (MVP Windows shell/user)" <cquirkenews@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>
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On Fri, 23 Mar 2007 11:39:02 +0300, "serge_moscou"
<serge_mtu@xxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

there is a scandisk programme which checks FS on windowsxp startup.

I wish it were a Scandisk, but it's only AutoCk that "fixes"
automatically, with no Undo.

This program may have found a fs error or sth else and... converted folder
to a file.

There were 120G of valuable data .
What can I do now?

and if nobody knows where could write for the solution?

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I've seen this when a HD > 137G was used with a version of XP older than SP1; a bunch of directories became "files", thanks to some dumb-assed "fixing" logic.

I went in with Norton DiskEdit from a DOS mode boot, found the relevant directory entries, and flipped the Directory attribute bit back on. Got everything back.

That's relatively easy if FATxx; if NTFS, all bets are off. If you can find the equivalent file system data, the same fix may work.

I know this info is a bit "geeky" for end users to apply directly, so:

- don't do ANYTHING with the system
- especially, DO NOT BOOT WINDOWS
- find a tech with an interest and skills in file system repair
- show him/her this message

Hello DOS mode my old friend
I've come to hack with you again
