

Re: Computer won't boot after removing wireless card

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"Aronovitz" <Aronovitz@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message <news:788D1B4D-A688-43BD-ACB0-ECC301C33984@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

I've been playing with my system quite a bit and I believe it is possible that my network boot files are corrupt. No matter what I do, the system still hangs on startup (except in SAFE MODE WITHOUT NETWORKING). Is there a way to just reinstall these files? Or can I reinstall Windows without overwriting all of my data files?

In Control Panel, Network Connections, delete all the connections. In Device Manager, delete the network cards. REstart the machine and all of this will be re-detected and rebuilt.

HTH
-pk

"Patrick Keenan" wrote:

"Aronovitz" <Aronovitz@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message <news:7242A951-CEE8-419A-9AB1-EEE71A2A33CD@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

I am trying to upgrade my wireless network, but have encountered a problem, as follows:

I had a Netgear 802.11g PCI wireless adapter (WG311) installed on my PC, but I wasn't getting very good signal, so I removed the card. (I

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plan to
upgrade.) Now whenever I start up my PC it hangs during
boot. (I
didn't
remove the WG311 drivers before I removed and returned
the card. Now I
cannot get the computer to boot to remove them.)

If I reset and start in SAFE mode it will boot all the way, no
problem.

If
I reset and start in SAFE MODE WITH NETWORKING, it
hangs. It hangs
right
after displaying that it is loading the AGP440 driver. (I tried
to
disable
this driver, but that didn't have any effect.)

I called Netgear and they were no help: they said this is an
OS
problem
(since the adapter isn't installed.)

Please help, I am desperate because my computer is now
dead in the
water.

From Safe Mode, uninstall the drivers. If that doesn't work, use
msconfig
to locate the drivers and disable or remove them. Also, locate the
services and set them to Disabled. Once you can restart in regular
mode,
you can delete these files and references.

HTH
-pk