

Re: Login Difficulty with net time

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On Mon, 03 Jan 2005 15:35:01 GMT, "W. Watson" <wolf_tracks@invalid.inv> wrote:

>(I've resubmitted this with perhaps a more fitting title than "Time Synch with net
>time--Cannot Access".)

>W. Watson wrote:

>I have two computers on my local network: astropc-W2000 and
>solarblast-XP pro with SP2. They can ping each other. I can execute from
>the cmd line on solarblast: net time \\astropc. It returns the time. If
>from astropc I try net time solarblast, I get "cannot access".
>solarblast has SP2 and the security features are off. If I go to
>astropc, and try to access solarblast via Network Places, it wants to
>know a user account ID and password. I enter: Administrator and wxyz,
>where wxyz is the password. I sign on to the machine when I boot up. It
>rejects the ID/password. What's going on?

W.,

Please clarify "I sign on to the machine when I boot up. It rejects the ID/password.". What machine are you signing on to? What error message do you get (please be precise)?

Read about file sharing, between all different versions of Windows:

<http://www.microsoft.com/downloads/details.aspx?FamilyID=87c0a6db-aef8-4bef-925e-7ac9be791028&DisplayL>

On solarblast, check to see if Simple File Sharing (Control Panel – Folder Options – View – Advanced settings) is enabled or disabled. With XP Pro, you need to have SFS properly set on each computer. If you want to run "net time \\solarblast", you have to have administrative authority from astropc, which means disabling Simple File Sharing on solarblast.

On solarblast with SFS disabled, check the Local Security Policies (Control Panel – Administrative Tools). Under Local Policies – Security Options, look at "Network access: Sharing and security model", and ensure it's set to "Classic – local users authenticate as themselves".

On solarblast with SFS disabled, setup and use a common non-Guest account on both computers, with an identical, non-blank password.

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On XP Pro, if you're going to use Guest authentication, check your Local Security Policy (Control Panel – Administrative Tools) – User Rights Assignment, on the XP Pro computer, and look at "Deny access to this computer from the network". Make sure Guest is not in the list. Look at "Access this computer from the network", and make sure that Everyone is in this list.

Do any of the computers have a software firewall (ICF / WF, or third party)? If so, you need to configure them for file sharing. Firewall configurations are a very common cause of (network) browser, and file sharing, problems.

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Cheers,
Chuck

Paranoia comes from experience - and is not necessarily a bad thing.