

# Re: wifi network

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On Tue, 17 May 2005 05:14:01 -0700, "Trouble"  
<Trouble@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

>I run a wireless network between DESKTOP & LAPTOP, no accesspoint/router. LAN  
>works well, and i have shared all stations on both computers. Desktop  
>consists of 4 useraccounts the Laptop only one. Via the Desktop I can access  
>the shared stations on my Laptop, only access to shared stations on the  
>desktop is denied, so i can't reach the Desktop via the Laptop. The message i  
>get is that i don't have rights or access to the Desktop. Please Help!!!

Are you running XP Home, XP Pro, a combination, other? All of this makes a big difference.

On any XP Pro computer, 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.

On XP Pro with SFS disabled, setup and use a common non-Guest account on all computers. Whatever account is used, give it an identical, non-blank password on all computers.

On XP Home, and on XP Pro with Simple File Sharing enabled, make sure that the Guest account is enabled, on each computer. Enable Guest, with Start – Run – "cmd", then type "net user guest /active:yes" in the command window. Ensure that the password for Guest is blank, with Start – Run – "control userpasswords2"; select Guest, click Reset Password, click OK without entering a new password.

Remember, with Simple File Sharing, you'll not be able to access "C:\Program Files", "C:\Windows", or any of the profile related folders such as "My Documents". All of those folders require individual user, or administrator access, and Guest access gives you neither.

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.

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If user authentication is not the problem, then the browser is a very good possibility.

<<http://nitecruZR.blogspot.com/2005/04/nt-browser-or-why-cant-i-always-see.html>>

The Microsoft Browstat program will show us what browsers (I'm not talking about Internet Explorer here) you have in your domain / workgroup, at any time.

<http://support.microsoft.com/?id=188305>

You can download Browstat from either:

<<http://www.dynawell.com/reskit/microsoft/win2000/browstat.zip>>

<<http://rescomp.stanford.edu/staff/manual/rcc/tools/browstat.zip>>

Browstat is very small (40K), and needs no install. Just unzip the downloaded file, copy browstat.exe to any folder in the Path, and run it from a command window, by "browstat status". Make sure all computers list the same master browser.

For more information about the browser subsystem (very intricate), see:

<http://support.microsoft.com/?id=188305>

<http://support.microsoft.com/?id=188001>

<http://support.microsoft.com/?id=231312>

<http://support.microsoft.com/kb/q102878/>

<<http://www.microsoft.com/technet/prodtechnol/winntas/deploy/prodspecks/ntbrowse.msp>>

<<http://www.microsoft.com/technet/archive/win95/w95brows.msp>>

If no help yet, provide ipconfig information for each computer, as a start.

- 1) Start – Run – "cmd".
- 2) Type "ipconfig /all >c:\ipconfig.txt" into the command window.
- 3) Open Notepad, make sure that Format – Word Wrap is NOT checked!.
- 4) Open file c:\ipconfig.txt from Notepad.
- 5) Copy and paste entire contents of the file into your next post.
- 6) Identify operating system (by name, version, and Service Pack level) with each ipconfig listing.
- 7) Please don't munge or omit any detail, as a case like yours will best be resolved with details.

Likewise provide browstat information for each computer.

- 1) Start – Run – "cmd".
- 2) Type "browstat status >c:\browstat.txt" into the command window.
- 3) Open Notepad, make sure that Format – Word Wrap is NOT checked!.
- 4) Open file c:\browstat.txt from Notepad.
- 5) Copy and paste entire contents of the file into your next post.

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Cheers,

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Paranoia is not necessarily a bad thing – it's a normal response from experience.

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