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On Thu, 23 Aug 2007 17:56:01 -0700, Charlo <Charlo@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>  
wrote:

"Chuck [MVP]" wrote:

On Thu, 23 Aug 2007 06:14:37 -0700, Charlo  
<Charlo@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>  
wrote:

When I run a command like ipconfig /all at the command  
prompt, the info  
flashes up and quickly disappears. How do I get the window  
to stay open till  
I close it so I can read the info?

NetBIOS over TCP/IP is disabled on both PCs (I had enabled  
it on both)

The Windows firewall is off on boths PCs (using router  
firewall)

I only have an anti-virus program now

TCP/UDP port 445 open on router (had to open for incoming  
traffic). One of  
your links stated both TCP & UDP. The other said just TCP.  
Which is correct  
please?

Both PCs can now view the workgroup without the error I  
had before, but  
neither computer can see itself or the other PC

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OK, now that you know, Enable NetBT. For a small LAN, it's essential.

What router (make and model please) do you have? If it's a NAT router, there is no firewall. And NAT only protects the computers on the LAN from what's on the Internet, NOT from each other.

<<http://nitecruZR.blogspot.com/2005/05/what-is-nat-router.html>>  
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What AntiVirus program is it? Look for a bundled protection that acts like a firewall!

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What traffic do you have, that you had to open the router for? Remember again, that's only for traffic from the Internet to your LAN. There are no ports to open, on a typical NAT router, that affect Windows Networking.

I cannot access the shared resources. The file and printer shares I guess are setup from the wizard I had tried to use. I do not know how to modify things. I'm used to the old tab where you can assign users and rights. How do I get back to this please?

First, please resolve the NetBT issue. Are you logged in as an admin (hopefully not), or as a full user which has the right to optionally run as admin. You must run the Network Wizard as an administrator. UAC should prevent you from getting the old tab etc without running as admin. If you were able to disable Windows Firewall, you can Enable NetBT. Unless you Enable NetBT, you should expect this problem.

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Cheers,

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