

Re: CD Copying Disaster

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You probably should post this to a general XP forum rather than this one that specializes in Windows Media Center Edition, but as a thought< have you tried recovering them from the digicam media. If you search the net, you will find some programs that will *attempt* to recover pics and files from Memory Sticks, Compact Flash Card, etc. Again, if it has been that long, chances are the photos are overwritten. Next time dump them to your hard drive first, then to CD, then delete from the camera.

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James
Orlando (Goofy says "Hey!"), FL

"Howie" <Howie@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message news:CBACAA33-3181-454F-92A5-37C9CC44C807@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
> Hi There,I wonder if you can help me?
> I took a load of pictures of my nipper's school sports day on my digital
> camera and decided to burn them direct from the camera to a CD so she
> could
> subsequently show them to her friends on this and her friends computers. I
> duly plugged in the camera (which showed up as an external drive) and
> dragged and dropped the files to the CD drive icon using windows
> explorerer
> (I use Windows XP – Home Edition). The files were duly transfered to the
> CD
> in 'shadow format' and i clicked on the "write these files to CD" icon.
> All
> went well and as usual, i noticed that at the end of the burning process
> when
> prompted to press the 'finish' button on the Wizard all the shadow files
> automatically disappeared! (A friend has told me that they are
> automatically
> deleted by the Wizard and do not go via the Recycle Bin – Is that
> correct?)
> Well the CD was a peach and i therefore deleted all the files from the
> camera. NEXT?... Yes you guessed it, about a month later she lost the CD
> on
> the way to school!! So i have tried to find the files that were created on
> the computer during the burning process because the original camera files

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- > have gone (i use it extensively and on a daily basis for work) and I have
- > discovered that they were temporarily stored in a hidden file called "CD
- > burning". This folder is however empty. During the interim period I have
- > burned 3 or 4 further CDs with loads of data for my wife's MSc studies
- > using
- > the same technique and the computer has been re-booted every day since the
- > original sports day copying. Someone told me that once the files were
- > automatically deleted at the end of the burning process that the area they
- > had occupied was subsequently made available for new files and that
- > because
- > of the volume of work then undertaken the likelihood is that they have all
- > been overwritten and are therefore gone forever!!... What do you think?
- > Additionally as part of my routine system Maintenance i have de-fragged,
- > Optimized and deleted temporary files at least 3 times since the initial
- > copy.
- > My question is this?.... Do i have a hope in hell of
- > retrieving/rescuing/restoring these pictures? I would be prepared to pay
- > for
- > a specialist company to do some sort of professional retrieval if its
- > possible as my daughter is now very sad. Or do i wait till next years
- > sports
- > Day and save a copy just in case.....
- > Thank you for your time
- > regards Howard
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• **References:**

◆ **CD Copying Disaster**

◇ From: Howie

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