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Sorry, this is an XP system, 5.1 build 2600.xpsp\_sp2\_gdr.070227-2254. A restore point may indeed have been an option, but I have let this problem go for a long time. It is not so much an issue for me, but for one of the other users of this system. At this point who knows what mayhem the restore itself would cause, if I could even go back that far. The problem has been hanging around for months, I really doubt that I have a valid restore point prior to the point in time that this all started, I seem to remember 3 weeks to a month is about it for restore points, if I am not mistaken. So any options or suggestions I would be greatly thankful for.

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Later Larry

"Bob J" wrote:

This is combined XP & Vista Forum which OS?  
Of the cuff, have you tried a restore point prior to when it all started playing up!!!!

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Regards  
Bob J

If advise given from anyone, solves problem or not, or if solved from another source, post back & let us know.  
Then we all benefit.

"Larry" wrote:

- I have a number of problems with Media Center.
1. Can't play any recorded TV programs in Media Center, but I can play them in Windows Media Player 11. Seem to start when I viewed a TV recording using Media Player.
  2. I can't setup a recording, I get schedular errors, it says to close Media Center and restart, does no good. I can't even tell it to record a program I

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am watching, scheduler errors, close and restart ect. I can watch live TV no problem. Windows scheduler works for all the other house keeping I have setup

- to run at various hours of the middle of the night on various days, just fine.
3. There are I don't know how many recordings 30 or 40 give or take, in the recorded TV folder around 175 Gbytes worth of one series that I setup before the thing went running off into the bushes, but Media center says that there are no recordings, yet history shows almost 600 recorded programs, many of which have been deleted.
  4. It faithfully records this one program series, no problems.
  5. I can't make any changes in setup that actually take effect. I change things and save when I come back there the way they were before I made changes.
  6. Media Guide seems to work and be up to date and correct, clicking on a program does take me to live TV but that is it.

I have downloaded all the recommended updates, rollups, bug fixes and who knows what all else associated with Media Center, my Vid card and sound card, windows is up to date. It still don't work as advertized, Media Center, and has not in a long while.

Is there a simple way to remove all the components related to Media Center and reinstall it all fresh, simply.

The computer is in all other respects really very stable and all my other programing works very well.

Oh Its a Dell Dimension 9100 Pentium D Dual processor 3.0 Ghrtz, 4 Gigs RAM, 320 Gbytes C: drive as a Raid 0 Array (two 160 GB drives) 320 Gbytes G:  
Raid 0, Radeon x600 vid card driving a dell 17" LCD and a Dell 20" wide screen. Sound card is a Sigma Tel. Two Epson Stylus Pro 4000 printes, a Epson  
200 printer and Epson 4990 scanner, a small Zip drive. A whole host of software that works well and cooperates. I-Tunes, Dragion Naturally Speaking,  
Adobe CS2, Microsoft Works, Adobe Reader 8, two or three different CD and DVD  
authoring programs. Who knows what all else, it all was there before the Media Center started messing up and it all still works.

Thoughts anyone?