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RL wrote:

wackedondrugs wrote:

I am new to BSD and thought that I had completed my first install but upon the final reboot the system boots to a text display instead of the Gnome desktop that I thought that I had chosen during the install. Can anyone point me in the right direction to fix this?

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If

you're looking for a GUI on boot, then I believe you need to set up XDM or similar...

Some people consider this to be the joy of working with BSD as they have total 100% control over their systems. The cruft kept to a minimum.

install OS, compile applications, install applications, configure applications, run applications then repeat for window manager, office suite, web browser, mail client etc etc

Others not used to this consider it a royal PITA. There is a project that is running that has done alot of the hard work for you. DesktopBSD, have a look, might be more what you are looking for. It has freebsd under the hood but benefits from an easy installer and KDE and GUI tools installed by default for a usable desktop environment.

Steve P

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