Ubuntu replaces Suse, but not very well

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I finally pulled the trigger and replaced Suse 10.2 on europa with Ubuntu 7.04. How I got to this point was long and involved. The results of the change were less than I anticipated. If you're curious about the long strange trip it's been then read on.

In The Beginning

Europa is my workhorse system. It's a DIY system I built in January 2003. All the parts were ordered from Newegg. Every part, with the notable exception of one hard disk, continues to function on the machine. The motherboard is a Chaintech 7NJS Zenith (Socket A, nVidia nForce 2 400 ATX). It should be noted that Chaintech is now Walton Chaintech and they don't make motherboards any more. When it was released the 7NJS was considered a high-end motherboard, and it came stocked with just about every feature you'd ever want or need on a Socket A system board. One item I paid dearly for at the time was an ATI 9700 Pro. I wanted a high-end graphics card, and the ATI seemed to be sweeping up the floor with nVidia, in contrast to nVidia's motherboard chips. Strange, that.

The first OS I installed on europa was Windows XP, followed immediately by service pack 2 (which just goes to show how old XP and SP2 really are). I'd dropped a pair of Western Digitial 120GB PATA drives on europa, and Windows only got installed on one of the drives. The second drive got SuSE Linux 8.2 Professional, purchased for $79.99 from Best Buy here in Orlando. I started using Suse as my primary Linux distribution starting with Professional 7.3. I might "stray" to other distributions (most notably Redhat up to version 9, before they dropped their desktop subscription service), but I always came back to Suse. In fact rhea's primary goal in life was (and still is) the sandbox for all those other distributions. And so Europa stayed a dual-boot Windows XP/Suse machine for over four years.

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