

Site news - keepin' ya posted

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If you've noticed the lack of reviews and slower than usual performance of tuxmachines, there is a good reason. I'm working on an off-site hosting vps in hopes of moving tuxmachines to a faster server and/or larger pipe.

Not that I've entirely neglected my reviewing interests, as Sunday I did test 3 distros. I afraid I didn't have much luck. Two of them were from Distrowatch's waiting list and didn't complete the boot (or into gui) process and the other was DSL 2.4.

DSL 2.4 was released and I wanted to write an article on it, except after booting I found all improvements were under the hood. I just couldn't get a full length article out of it. So, I ended up scraping that idea.

But back to the new server. I've rented a vps from tektonic and started with a debian 3.1 install. It was a fairly easy dist-upgrade to etch and moving my site was a no-brainer as well.

I had tried a vps out of Europe last month, I forget the name right now, but ssh response time was agonizing slow and whenever I tried to import drupal's database - mysql would disconnect. They didn't answer my email about it, so I'm test driving tektonic right now.

So far tektonic seems fine except it's slow for me. I've had a few friends from around the world test it and I am getting some positive feedback. So hopefully, it'll just be slow for me. 🌐

I've been uploading my site which consists of about 1.5 gigs of data. This has been eating up some of my already limited bandwidth making tuxmachines even slower than normal. But hopefully most of the uploading will be finished in a few hours and I will only need to get a newer snapshot of the database when the time comes for further testing.

I will be soliciting testers and opinions in a few days on the speed of the new site. We might experience a bit of bumpy road if we decide to move there permanently with dns and such, but hopefully it will end up providing a more pleasant experience for my regulars and be able to handle more traffic if needed.

Thanks.

Oh, ps.: A monthly printed Linux publication asked for permission to re-print my [SUSE](#) [2] article in their magazine with a link to the site, so hopefully that'll bring in some new visitors as well. I hope we complete the move before it's published! 🌐

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