Subject: Pentium Vs. Athlon

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Quote:sorry this is off topic but i saw a 2.4 Ghz laptop very nice with built in dvd/cdrw burner for 1500\$\$

is that a good deal

Depends. What's the memory? Graphics card? Hard Drive? Etc......

Quote:Neither. AMD has a new chip coming out next month, and so does Intel in Oct. At least wait to see what happens. Even if they are priced out of your price range, which the lower end won't be, but the higher end will, it will drive P4C and AXP prices so low it will be worth the wait.

Yes! I just read that it PC World! I guess I'll just wait until then!

Quote:1:

- o Pentium 4 Has hyperthreading that helps speed up things a little.
- o Costs a bomb for a P4 3.06 Ghz
- o Athlon does more work per clock cycle than the P4 meaning it can run at a lower Mhz but offer a similar performance.
- o Lacks the oomph at the 3200 speed compared to a P4 running at an equivilent speed (3200Mhz) #. This is most noticible in CPU intensive applications such as video and audio converting/editing (VIS Generation?).
- o Cheaper than a P4

2:

o Athlon because it's cheaper and I've had no problems with them before.

3:

o Athlon XP 2000+ It performs the same as my sisters P4 2.0 Ghz in terms of games with an identical graphics card. Never noticed much difference between them.

I don't have a AMD XP 3200+ so I can't comment on that specific chip.

Wow! Thanks for all the great info!