Subject: DOWNTIME
Posted by Crimson on Sat, 29 Jan 2011 22:32:59 GMT
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In order to save me some big bucks, I am shutting down my dedicated server that hosts this website and moving everything on that box to a new server that's a lot cheaper. I'm also hoping that since I'll have upgraded applications and cleaned up stuff, that the new server will more stable and reliable. (I've had this old one for like 4-5 years)

As a result, there will be some downtime for RenForums and other sites and services hosted on this box. I will keep everything to a minimum but for these forums, I am going to run some maintenance to clean up search indexes and make sure our data integrity is up-to-date. I also hope to upgrade to the latest FUDForum (and no, I am not considering moving to a different software at this time - I only have a couple of days to move everything before the old box is shut down, so don't even ask.)

Other sites that may be affected are:
TT/BHS Ladder
APathBeyond website
RenegadeCommunity.com
RenegadeWiki.com

Thanks for your patience.

Subject: Re: DOWNTIME
Posted by [NE]Fobby[GEN] on Sat, 29 Jan 2011 23:24:56 GMT
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Any estimates on when the downtime will start and finish?

Subject: Re: DOWNTIME
Posted by Altzan on Sun, 30 Jan 2011 00:47:22 GMT
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Thanks for the heads-up.

Subject: Re: DOWNTIME
Posted by Crimson on Sun, 30 Jan 2011 00:59:21 GMT
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I don't know how long it's going to take. I moved APB over to the new server without too much headache. I'm copying the site over as it stands now and fixing any errors, then I'll have a better idea of when.

Subject: Re: DOWNTIME
Posted by Tupolev TU-95 Bear on Sun, 30 Jan 2011 01:42:18 GMT
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Thanks for the info.

Subject: Re: DOWNTIME
Posted by Crimson on Sun, 30 Jan 2011 08:40:12 GMT
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Downtime completed. If you are seeing this post, you are on the new server. The new server seems faster... I hope it's not just placebo effect.

Subject: Re: DOWNTIME
Posted by Goztow on Sun, 30 Jan 2011 12:08:48 GMT
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It is noticeably faster. Like it should be .

Subject: Re: DOWNTIME
Posted by EvilWhiteDragon on Sun, 30 Jan 2011 13:49:41 GMT
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Crimson wrote on Sun, 30 January 2011 09:40Downtime completed. If you are seeing this post, you are on the new server. The new server seems faster... I hope it's not just placebo effect.
What are the old & new specs?

Subject: Re: DOWNTIME
Posted by Omar007 on Sun, 30 Jan 2011 21:06:07 GMT
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Goztow wrote on Sun, 30 January 2011 13:08It is noticeably faster. Like it should be .
Indeed

Subject: Re: DOWNTIME
Posted by Crimson on Sun, 30 Jan 2011 21:34:32 GMT
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The old server was one I've been renting for 6 years. It's a P4-2.4 with a gig of RAM but since I've had it up for 6 years continuously, running lots of various stuff over the years, and lots of out-of-date software, I think starting off fresh and new is what it really needed. Now I'm renting a

VDS with a gig of RAM, burstable to 2 gigs. I don't know what processor it tells the OS I have, but I do get 3 processors instead of 1.

Subject: Re: DOWNTIME
Posted by Generalcamo on Sun, 30 Jan 2011 22:52:46 GMT
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When are you upgrading to FUDforum 3.x?

Subject: Re: DOWNTIME
Posted by Crimson on Sun, 30 Jan 2011 23:12:38 GMT
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I have to finish migrating everything over to the new box before the old one gets turned off before I can concentrate on that... but the old box was running an old version of PHP (which was incompatible with FUD 3.0) and I was afraid I'd break everything if I tried to upgrade it. Now that I'm using a new version on this server, I can install 3.0.

Subject: Re: DOWNTIME
Posted by Rocko on Mon, 31 Jan 2011 00:03:54 GMT
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yo dis new server is hot

Subject: Re: DOWNTIME
Posted by Speedy059 on Mon, 31 Jan 2011 03:57:50 GMT
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Oohhh yaa this is much faster. Good choice of server specs.

Subject: Re: DOWNTIME
Posted by EvilWhiteDragon on Mon, 31 Jan 2011 12:52:27 GMT
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Speedy059 wrote on Mon, 31 January 2011 04:57Oohhh yaa this is much faster. Good choice of server specs.
No wonder, as you're upgrading from a P4....
Though, why haven't you done so before? I mean, here dedicated servers have been getting a lot cheaper for a lot more performance for the last 6 years, I presume the USA isn't any different?
I think it could've saved you some money, wouldn't it?

Subject: Re: DOWNTIME
Posted by Crimson on Mon, 31 Jan 2011 21:33:05 GMT
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There's 6 years of stuff running on that server. It's taken me 3 days to migrate everything over. I just like to avoid pain.

Subject: Re: DOWNTIME
Posted by slosha on Tue, 01 Feb 2011 22:02:59 GMT
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Wow, very nice. Loads instantly!

Also, really nice favicon!

Subject: Re: DOWNTIME
Posted by Creed3020 on Tue, 01 Feb 2011 22:36:50 GMT
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I too just noticed the site finally has a favicon. GJ Crimson

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Subject: Re: DOWNTIME
Posted by Crimson on Tue, 01 Feb 2011 23:30:09 GMT
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I stole it from RenegadeCommunity.com... I'm not sure who made it, but I was watching the error log file while working on the server to make sure everything was working well, and I noticed a lot of requests for the favicon so I put one in.

Subject: Re: DOWNTIME
Posted by Dave Anderson on Wed, 02 Feb 2011 07:04:51 GMT
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 http://www.renegadeforums.com/index.php?t=msg&goto=327635&rid=3922#msg_3 27635

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File Attachments
1) Ren-Vista.png, downloaded 669 times
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Subject: Re: DOWNTIME
Posted by Crimson on Wed, 02 Feb 2011 11:24:31 GMT
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Ah... thanks, Dave!

Subject: Re: DOWNTIME
Posted by Dover on Wed, 02 Feb 2011 23:11:14 GMT
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Yes, yes. But what are we doing about Nikki being banned? >:[

Subject: Re: DOWNTIME
Posted by Goztow on Thu, 03 Feb 2011 07:34:06 GMT
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His ban should have run out by now.

Subject: Re: DOWNTIME
Posted by Crimson on Sat, 05 Feb 2011 10:12:09 GMT
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I forgot to turn on the mail sender on the box so you may get some emails from this forum now that are late. This shouldn't be a problem anymore.