

Zenwalk Linux Newsletter

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Essential Links

Zenwalk Support
Zenwalk Wiki
Zenwalk Companion
Zenwalk Home
Zenwalk Support Doc Page
(Be sure to give us some feedback!)

ZenTip

Borromini

Have ever wondered how to disable that pain in the butt touch pad when you have a mouse connected? Here's this issue's code:

```
# Disable touchpad when a USB
mouse is present
ACTION=="add",
SUBSYSTEM=="input",
ID_CLASS="mouse",
RUN+="/usr/bin/synclient
TouchpadOff=1"
ACTION=="remove",
SUBSYSTEM=="input",
ID_CLASS="mouse",
RUN+="/usr/bin/synclient
TouchpadOff=0"
```

Drop that in one of your udev rules.

ZenWalk Newsletter Team

**C>Lemon, tsuren, Zwopper,
HERO_01, Shador, littleredplanet,
and everyone at ZW Support.**

Forum News

C>Lemon

Recently at Zenwalk Support, there's been a lot of talk about the next version, 5.4. The official releases goes up by increments of .2, so, new people, you haven't missed one! gapan and some of the others deny it'll be out this month, but the word is that we'll be seeing it towards the end of December or possibly at the very beginning of the new year. It seems that it'll be another good edition of everyone's favourite distribution, though (I'm allowed to say that here, aren't I?). We'll have XFCE 4.6, and maybe even X.org 7.3! (XFCE is the reason we might have to wait longer, but I'm told by snapshot users that it'll be well worth it.) Hopefully it'll continue the high standard set by every other version so far. I personally don't doubt

Recommended Packages

Best Newbie Package:

PCManFM - A cool but lightweight file manager that solves many problems we have with Thunar.

Best Ordinary User Package:

Fluxbox - A lightweight WM that still manages to look cool. Use if XFCE is too heavy.

Best Other Package:

Wormux - An excellent clone of Worms. Now with apparently-working network play!

*You can browse all packages @
<http://packages.zenwalk.org>*

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ZenScript

Shador

Usage: You can use this script to switch your background image with XFCE. Just pass two images as arguments and it will set your background to the first image and when you call it another time with the same arguments you'll get the other image as background. I'm using it for example together with xbindkeys to switch between my timetable and background image by just pressing "Ctrl + F12".

Installation Instructions:

Copy the script content from the following link to a file and make it executable, e.g, for the name "switchbg" you make it executable with "chmod +x switchbg".

Link: <http://paste2.org/p/101873>

Usage Example:

```
$ switchbg  
/home/pics/background1.png  
/home/pics/timetable.png'
```

Postscript From The Editor

C>Lemon

It's been a crazy five weeks since No.2. I had a lot to do so the newsletter was delayed by a week. Hopefully I won't have to do that again! Anyway, couple of changes this time around:

-Crappy application screenshots are out, until I can get a good way of reducing them. They looked terrible.

-The team and I pretty much picked everything ourselves this month. HINT! The newsletter is only as good as the feedback you give us. Drop into the Zenwalk Documentation forum, that'd be more than enough. Thanks.

-We have an Image Consultant now. Who knows what post-production madness littleredplanet will inflict on this delicate newsletter. If anything outside this little box contradicts what I'm saying, believe your eyes and not me. :D

