

Installing Debian BoF

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Slides and Notes

Slides at:

<https://cascadia.debian.net/~vagrant/dc17/>

Gobby:

apt install gobby

gobby.debian.org

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2001 or was it 2002?

I've actually used the debian installataion system "boot floppies" with the potato and woody releases

2004 Skolelinux and DebConf

Introduced to the debian-installer and Skolelinux/Debian-Edu and invited to DebConf4 in Brazil

2004-2005 simple-cdd

Wrote simple-cdd, a wrapper to create customized debian-installer images

2006 Debian-installer

2006 Debian installer released with "sarge"!

firefly: u-boot

#803166: u-boot: enable rockchip platforms

<https://bugs.debian.org/803166>

firefly: Linux kernel support

#809083: linux: armhf/armmp: Please enable support for Rockchip platforms

<https://bugs.debian.org/809083>

firefly: Kernel udeb

#815476: linux: [armhf] udeb: Add modules needed on Firefly-RK3288.
<https://bugs.debian.org/815476>

flash-kernel (3.53) unstable; urgency=medium
[Vagrant Cascadian]

- Add a machine db entry for Firefly-RK3288.
- Christian Perrier <bubulle@debian.org> Tue, 29 Dec 2015 09:30:38 +0100

firefly: debian-installer

debian-installer (20160516) unstable; urgency=low
... [Vagrant Cascadian]

- Add support for Firefly-RK3288.

build/boot/arm/u-boot-image-config | 3 + build/util/write-built-using | 2 -
~~debian/changelog~~ | 4 + 3 files changed, 8 insertions(+), 1 deletion(-)

Debian-Installer: An Operating System that installs Debian

- Specialized packages (.udebs)
- Initial installation system loaded in RAM
- /bin/sh sourced files all the way down (kinda)
- Supports many languages
- Debconf preseeding!
- graphical or console variants
- predates most modern configuration management

Debian-Live: Boots to a running debian system

- image based, built out of standard debian packages
- live-installer: Runs debian-installer in a chroot?
- graphical or console variants
- Able to run nearly any software available in Debian

And so much more!

debootstrap, vmdebootstrap, virtual machines and containers
oh my!

Now that I've distorted your perceptions

Let's discuss!

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