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S6E19: "A Remote Chance"

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In this episode, we talk about remote management viewing tools you may not be aware of.

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Just the Tip

- Paden talks about direnv, a tool that will apply environment variables conditionally based on which directory your PWD is.
 - Paden and I generally find it an unnecessary overcomplication.

Notes

Starts at **26m29s**.

I was drinking a "Black Christmas" (black spiced rum and apple cider). Paden was drinking water. Jthan was drinking Hogback High Wheat bourbon.

- Remote management tools
 - Apache Guacamole
 - HTML5-based VNC, RDP, and SSH client.
 - Chrome Remote Desktop is pretty cool for supporting non-technical family members, etc.
 - Gnome-terminal (and a slew of other terminal emulators) have tab support, which is handy for SSH...
 - But if you're looking for something with a couple more features (and some cool stuff like mirroring text input/mouse actions/etc. across multiple machines **at once**), check out Vinagre.
 - Remmina is, I think, the best remote management viewer tool I've used. Hands-down.
 - It's **very** similar to RDCMan, if you're on Windows (which is quite serviceable, and probably the best Windows option for RDP viewing).
 - Slightly related is byobu, which is some **fantastic** sugar over GNU screen or tmux.
 - Some people swear by MobaXTerm but it's kind of trash. At that point just use something like MTPuTTY.
 - X2Go is your answer for Terminal Services/Remote Desktop Services functionality on Linux targets.
 - GDM can be used remotely via XDMCP.
 - Stuff like Citrix can safely be considered entirely obsolete. They are (should be) no longer relevant in the industry.

15 Clams

In this segment, Jthan shares with you a little slice of life. The title is a reference to this video. (2m16s in)

Starts at **51m40s**.

Jthan wants to use minikube now since Docker Desktop changed licensing and shit.

Errata

- It was indeed “almost November” when we recorded the episode. :)
- Some dude’s wife really left him mid-review of whiskey.
- Passing env vars to a parent process in Linux is literally impossible, Jthan. It’s not doing what you think it’s doing.
- NoMachine is actually still owned and developed by NoMachine (the company).
 - FreeNX is a viewer client only. There doesn’t seem to be a F/OSS NoMachine daemon option.

Music

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