On Wed, 16 Feb 2005, David Fanning wrote:
> Which flavor is the easiest to install for the, uh, less
> technically astute members of our esteemed organization? :-)
I've used RedHat, Gentoo, Debian, and Knoppix.

Knoppix is the easiest and best at hardware detection in my
experience. It is simply amazing what a Live CD can do. But I never
did a full install, I just booted off the Live CD. I think there is
a simple point-and-click option to move from a CD boot to a
hard-disk boot.

A fun trick is to take your Knoppix CD to a friends house and reboot
their computer to Linux when they are not looking. Then, say
"Oops... Did you need that othe OS?".

Of the other 3 I have done numerous full installs, and I vote for
Debian.

> P.S. I'll probably put it on an old DELL laptop I have around here
> and have been using as a doorstop.
Thats what I use. No, not a Dell, a doorstop. It has been so beat up
that it doesn't even have a screen anymore:

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