
Subject: Re: Has Ed Dell redeemed himself?
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I can't say that I picked up on the hobby of speakerbuilding from the net. My first contact with new speaker designs not found in kits was from audioXpress-- or Speakerbuilder mag back in those days. But I've maintained the interest through groups like this and Full Range Driver Forum and AudioDIY (much less so with that one.) From the early days of Usenet and email I always felt there was the possibility of community with these computing devices. I was not disappointed in the early days for having found a few Usenet innovators, one of whom made a newsgroup called alt.fifty-plus.friends. I cite that because there was genuine community there-- and of an international nature. For the ones in extreme age and housebound it was and is their virtual home. I have lost touch with that but it's still there. Far as hard information goes, if it weren't for streaming audio to listen to www.pacifica.org, Democracy Now and Flashpoint I would feel truly deprived and thrown back into the netherworld of network news rather than alternate views which give a broader picture of opinion. But to your point, I care nothing for so-called blogs. The information I seek comes from actual authors at the sources mentioned and also the Progressive press. Here at ART and a few other spots the topic stays focussed pretty much and the casual discussions that develop around these 'general and music' topics are quite often a way of learning something new. Regarding search engines, what is needed is an open source coded search program not involved with the adwords concept of Google which allow a more legitimate and time consuming and visually fatiguing way of getting answers to things. It works pretty well in speaker discussions. But in Linux...don't get me started.
