Linux Hints, Top Tips, and FAQs

Here are some of the Linux hints and documentation that seems to be woefully lacking or just misleading on the greater wider Internet.

Setting iDRAC8 Server info

This applies to Dell servers of course. First off, install ipmitools:

`apt-get install ipmitools`

To find out the options available in `ipmitools`, run:

`ipmitools help`

To set the iDRAC8 System Host Name, you want:

`ipmitools mc setsysinfo system_name HOSTNAME`

To set the iDRAC8 Operating System, you want:

`ipmitools mc setsysinfo os_name OSNAME`

To set the iDRAC8 Operating System Version, you want:

`ipmitools mc setsysinfo delloem_os_version OSVERSION`

And that's it - after that, if you refresh the iDRAC8 Server Overview screen you will see the changes you made.

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