

Wednesday, April 18, 2007

My big interview

So, Brandy is getting into the whole blogging scene, and I had sent her an URL for a blog which is written by the wife of a person that I know from the EasyUO site. So, Tracy, as the woman is called who is writing the blog, decided to interview Brandy and have her post the answers on her (Brandy's) blog. So I decided to have Brandy do an interview on me and then I would post my answers here (Well, okay, she kinda dared me to do it!). What's the one material possession that you own, that you couldn't live without, and why? That is almost a silly question, since everybody in the entire world would know that, that is, of course, my computer. I am a total geek, when it comes to computers, I have been working with them on a daily basis for about 22 years now. I go to work 8 hours every day and work on a computer, and guess what I want to do when I get home? What's the best thing about you? The best thing about me is that I never give up. Some people would probably argue that it is also the worst thing about me. Which actress or celebrity do you find sexy, and why? Well, since I believe that sexy is mainly in the mind of people, it is a little hard to answer that question, since I don't actually know any actresses or celebrities. That being said (and I'm probably being totally boring now) Angelina Jolie is pretty sexy. There's something about her, that I would describe as a "Sean Connery" aura. When you see her, you want to know more. I guess I just wish my wife was an actress or a celebrity, so I could say her, because she is by far the sexiest woman alive (too cheesy? well, she knows I mean it). If you could pack and up and leave the country tomorrow, where would you go? If I could, I would travel the world, until I had seen all the places that I've yet to see. The places that have culture, history, and something to sparkle my instincts, tickle my senses, work out my intellect. I just love being stimulated. What is 1 thing that your wife doesn't know about you? If you ask her, she doesn't know much about me at all. I, however, feel like I an open book, and tell her everything about me. She probably doesn't know that I worry. As a guy you're supposed to be strong, and strong people don't worry at all, right? I know I got it all wrong, but what can you do? The rules for this little interview game, is outlined in these 5 simple statements: Leave me a comment saying, "Interview me." I will respond by emailing you five questions. I get to pick the questions. You will update your blog with the answers to the questions. You will include this explanation and an offer to interview someone else in the same post. When others comment asking to be interviewed, you will ask them five questions.

Posted by Sune Trudslev in Rants at 20:18

Wednesday, August 9, 2006

Disk Defragmentation -- Useful optimization turned hoax?

I LOOOOOVE defragmentation. I love the thought of my files, my bytes, my bits, on my harddrive is laying in a nice and orderly stream; perfectly aligned and ready to be read right off the magnetic surface of my disks. So, I was sitting there contemplating the concept of defragmentation on a modern harddrive. These days, the disks don't actually report the actual geometry of the disk, instead it maps the "virtual geometry", which is exposed to the OS, to the actual geometry of the disk. This way the disk can easily detect bad sectors on the drive and move and map them to another position on the drive, in case a part of the disk goes bad (which is probably more often than we'd like to know). So, we power up our favorite defragmentation program and has it move all the files around so that they are ordered perfectly in the "virtual geometry". The problem, as I see it, is that when the disk actually has to read the data, it will be read from the actual geometry of the disk, which could, at least in theory, be scattered all over the disk. Does this mean that defragmentation is more useful when the disk is new (and has less bad sectors)? Does it even make sense to defragment your disk?

Posted by Sune Trudslev in Technical at 19:36

Thursday, July 6. 2006

Lightbox Test

This is a test of the lightbox script. It seems to work quite nicely. Try and click the thumbnailed image.

Posted by Sune Trudslev in Entertainment at 08:25

Friday, June 16. 2006

Photography in the genes?

So every time I run around like a mad person, clicking away on my camera, Amalie seems to be watching me like a hawk. So, the other day where we took a "tourist" trip on the canals of Copenhagen, she got to be in charge of Brandy's camera. She was snapping away like a mad person, barely able to wrap her fingers around the camera. Sometimes making excited sounds, sometimes grunting in discontent. So we got home and we popped the camera in its dock and proceeded to transfer the pictures. To our big surprise the girl (who's only 6 at the moment), took a lot of good pictures (and a lot of bad ones too, just like the rest of us). I took a few into Photoshop, straightened a bit, auto contrasted, and cropped. Here's what I think is the best one: The new opera house in the Copenhagen Harbor, captured by a 6 year old girl. Not bad, eh?

Posted by Sune Trudslev in Photography at 09:57

Taking Popart further...

Trying to take the Popart concept a bit further, I found this excellent tutorial on how to create popart in Photoshop. It's definitely not something for absolute beginners, but in a few hours I produced this: My beautiful wife, Brandy, again posing as Popart

Posted by Sune Trudslev in Photography at 09:53

Saturday, June 3. 2006

Momondo again..

So we are nearing a release of www.momondo.com. I am really happy with the results. We have moved all the different services to different servers which has resulted in a serious improvement of performance on the site. Results are blazing out. Also, the work we have done with ensuring the quality of the robots and adding many new robots, the data quality is excellent. I have no doubt that our site has the best coverage out of all the different sites that seem to be opening lately. I hope you will all go check it out and book your next vacation through our links (which will in turn give us a small kickback from the airline), so that the site can become the success that, I believe, that it deserves.

Posted by Sune Trudslev in Entertainment, Technical at 08:28

Saturday, February 4, 2006

The current state of Denmark

PissedOffPencil writes in his blog how Jyllands Posten made a grave error in judgement when publishing the infamous pictures of Islamic prophet Mohammed. While I agree with the truth of the statement he continues to say that "they" (not sure if he means Jyllands Posten or the entire Danish people) are hiding behind the freedom of speech that we have in Denmark. See, that's just not true. What people are defending when it comes to the freedom of speech is the fact that right after the pictures were published, the Danish Prime Minister (who is, btw, not a social democrat, but a right wing liberalist), were approached by a number of official people from countries that mainly have Islam as their religion, and he was asked to intervene and take measures against Jyllands Posten. He declined, because the political system cannot enforce their views on the press, but the press has to be dealt with, first, by an ethical board, and then the courts. THAT is what people are defending. Okay, so the Prime Minister did decline to talk to 11 ambassadors for these countries, which, in my opinion, has made this sorry ordeal what it is. Now we can just sit back and see what will happen. I, personally, hope that we can conclude this in a nice and respectable manner. Muslims and people of any religion are welcome in my country. Their religious symbols should not be made fun of. Peace.

Posted by Sune Trudslev in Rants at 08:49

Monday, January 23. 2006

Sune Warhol?

Tonight I thought to that I would work on my Photoshop skills, so I loaded up a picture of my beautiful wife Brandy that I took just a few days ago. I removed the background and made it black and white, then I ran it through the Cutout filter and saved four copies. I took each copy and colored it with bright colors. So here is my venture into pop-art alá Andy Warhol:

Posted by Sune Trudslev in Photography at 22:16

Winter's Bite

So, I am turning into a photo-geek. I guess it's just another geek thing to add to my list. Well, my wife uses the pictures I take on her blog, but I thought I would show people some of my favorites. Saturday and yesterday I was out in search of winter pictures. It had just snowed and all the trees were full of ice, so I got a few interesting shots. I hope you like them:

Posted by Sune Trudslev in Photography at 10:13

Monday, January 2. 2006

Happy New Year!

Have a happy new year. I hope 2006 will bring you anything you want, need, desire and wish for.

Posted by Sune Trudslev in Family at 11:33

Wednesday, November 30, 2005

Travel cheap

I mean, who cares what the flight is like, as long as you can trust the airline, not to crash the airplane. Okay, so it's not just me that thinks that, but people in general. The success of low-cost carriers like easyJet and RyanAir. So, what I do for a living, is make a low-cost carrier search system. The system itself is called SpeedFares and is targeted at business travel agencies as a complimentary system to their GDS (Global Travel Distribution System) which mainly includes classical airlines, like, SAS, KLM, Lufthansa, and the likes. So lately we've been toying with the idea of taking our search engine to the web. I've recently finished a "to-the-bones" version of the search engine. Programmed with Ajax techniques. It has a spiffy dropdown for choosing the cities to travel from and to, and a very cool dynamically updating price comparison page. In short I'm pretty proud of the result. So, if I caught your interest you can go see how you can travel cheap on Momondo for yourself. I hope you will like it, and that you will use it the next time you are going to go somewhere. If you feel any routes or carriers are missing feel free to leave me a note here.

Posted by Sune Trudslev in Entertainment, Technical at 09:05

Sunday, October 2, 2005

Gallery: A giant among midgets

When picking out a web-based image gallery system, the choices are almost endless: Comdev Photo Gallery, IMS Pro, PhotoStore, PhotoPost PHP Pro, Coppermine Photo Gallery, and my personal favorite: Gallery. I recently updated my wife's web-based image gallery which was using Gallery 1.5.1. We had decided that it was looking a little bland, and might be in need of an update, so I went scouting for what was out there. After taking the whole trip around, I ended up with Gallery again. They had recently released 2.0.0, so I decided to try it out. I have always felt that Gallery was well designed, inside and out, but I have to say that the installation process really blew me away. It was step based and each set would tell you of any problem. For example I php's maximum script memory set to 8M. The script told me it need to be updated to 16M to run it. It was a breeze to install and about 5 minutes later I had a running version of Gallery2. Fiddling around with the importer in about 5 more minutes. I got it to import the captions so they would work with Gallery2, and then it just had to run for about 45 minutes (importing, scaling and thumbnailing 1600 pictures). The look is excellent, the features are great, installation is as easy as it's humanly possible, and it doesn't cost 1 cent. You be the judge.

Posted by Sune Trudslev in Technical at 17:18

Friday, September 30. 2005

SQL: SELECT by priority

I have been working on a project at work where it should be possible to set up what suppliers are available to our customers and their users. We also wanted to be able to provide the customers with a standard setup (sort of a template) based on what type of product they are using. Here is the solution I came up with. First the tables we already have available: CustomerColumn NameValue CustomerIdInt (PK) CustomerNameVarchar(30) OfficeColumn NameValue OfficeIdInt (PK) CustomerIdInt (FK) SupplierTemplateIdInt (FK) OfficeNameVarchar(30) SupplierColumn NameValue SupplierIdInt (PK) SupplierNameVarchar(30) So then we will need to add a table to hold the templates: SupplierTemplateColumn NameValue SupplierTemplateIdInt (PK) SupplierTemplateNameVarchar(30) Last but not least we will need a table to hold the actual supplier selection: SupplierSettingColumn NameValue SupplierSettingIdInt (PK) SupplierIdInt (FK) SupplierTemplateIdInt (FK) NULL CustomerIdInt (FK) NULL OfficeIdInt (FK) NULL EnabledBit PriorityInt A setting can either belong to a template, a customer, a registration number or none (which makes it a default setting). The priority is assigned as follows: Condition Priority No owner 1 Owned by a template 2 Owned by a customer 3 Owned by a registration 4 So now we can fill in some data: Customer CustomerId CustomerName 1 Test Customer SupplierTemplate SupplierTemplateId SupplierTemplateName 1 Template 1 Office OfficeId CustomerId SupplierTemplateId OfficeName 1 11 Test Office Supplier SupplierId SupplierName 1 Test Supplier 12 Test Supplier 2 Now all that is left is set up the suppliers: SupplierSetting SupplierSettingId SupplierId SupplierTemplateId CustomerId OfficeId Enabled Priority 1 1 NULL NULL NULL true 1 22 NULL NULL NULL false 1 32 1 NULL NULL true 2 41 NULL 1 NULL false 3 Here is a textual representation of the above data: On a global (default) level 'Test Supplier 1' is turned on and 'Test Supplier 2' is turned off. On 'Test Customer' level 'Test Supplier 2' is turned on. On 'Test Office' level 'Test Supplier 1' is turned off. So how do we get this data out so we only have one row per supplier with the correct status? Well, the answer is a SELECT statement with a sub-SELECT to find the highest priority for the current supplier. Enjoy! Here it is: DECLARE @OfficeId INT SELECT @OfficeId = 1 DECLARE @CustomerId INT DECLARE @SupplierTemplateId INT SELECT @CustomerId = CustomerId, @SupplierTemplateId = SupplierTemplateId FROM Office WHERE OfficeId = @OfficeId SELECT * FROM SupplierSetting s1 WHERE (CustomerId = @CustomerId OR CustomerId IS NULL) AND (SupplierTemplateId = @SupplierTemplateId OR SupplierTemplateId IS NULL) AND (OfficeId = @OfficeId OR OfficeId IS NULL) AND Priority = (SELECT MAX(Priority) FROM SupplierSetting s2 WHERE s1.SupplierId = s2.SupplierId AND (CustomerId = @CustomerId OR CustomerId IS NULL) AND (SupplierTemplateId = @SupplierTemplateId OR SupplierTemplateId IS NULL) AND (OfficeId = @OfficeId OR OfficeId IS NULL))

Posted by Sune Trudslev in SQL at 18:57

Monday, September 19. 2005

Lego: You just gotta love it..

I've always loved Lego. Being a Dane, I'm also proud of Lego, because it's probably the most popular Danish invention ever. So one of my friends sends me a link for something new Lego thought up: Lego Factory. It's just up my alley: Create your own Lego designs in a program, upload it to their site and buy the pieces needed to build it yourself. Pure genius.

Posted by Sune Trudslev in Entertainment at 15:50

Monday, December 20. 2004

Regular Expressions is the stuff

I just found this excellent beginner's tutorial to Regular Expressions. If you don't know what Regular Expressions are, or know what they are, but not how to use them, I strongly urge you to read the article. Your life will never be the same, well, at least your programming life.

Posted by Sune Trudslev in Technical at 10:01

Wednesday, December 1. 2004

Auto Lock MOD v1.0.0

When running a forum over time, alot of topics become "outdated". You want to keep them for historical reasons, but you are not really interested in people reviving them by replying to them. The answer to this problem is the Auto Lock MOD which I have made to solve this exact problem. After it is installed it is very easy to set up auto-locking. First you have to enable auto-locking on the board in general. This is done on the Configuration page: You have to enable Auto-locking in the configuration for posts to become automatically locked. Then you have to set up auto-locking for each forum you want to automatically lock posts that have not been posted to in a certain time-frame: Then you have to set up the parameters for locking on a per-forum basis. You find these settings when you edit a particular forum. Download You can download the MOD [here](#) Installation You can follow the instructions in the auto-lock-1.0.0em.txt file to install the MOD. The MOD is tested with EasyMOD so for your own convenience you should use that. Read how to use EasyMOD to install a MOD [here](#).

Posted by Sune Trudslev in phpBB at 11:57

Monday, November 29, 2004

Common Replies (Canned Messages) MOD v1.0.4

I got a request from richy on the phpBB boards to add common replies to private messages as well as forum messages. Version 1.0.4 of my Common Replies MOD adds this functionality. You can download it [here](#).

Posted by Sune Trudslev in phpBB at 10:09

Blog Export: Sune Trudslev's WebLog, <http://www.tanis.dk/blog/>

Friday, November 19. 2004

Common Replies (Canned Messages) MOD v1.0.3

My Common Replies MOD finally (I was just being impatient) got validated. Here is the post to prove it.

Posted by Sune Trudslev in phpBB at 06:33

Tuesday, November 16. 2004

IMDB RSS where art thou?

As Kellan Elliott-McCrea writes on his site laughingmeme.org IDMB.com is in serious need of RSS support.

I've been using IMDB since it was just a collection of text files that I got through a friend that worked in a place that had Internet access in the early 1990's. The IMDB site has evolved to a very useful database query system, but additions of RSS feeds for specific actors, movies, news and such would really improve my IMDB experience.

Posted by Sune Trudslev in Entertainment at 07:22

Thursday, November 11. 2004

"Code Signing" using a personal digital signature

I have recently acquired a Digital Signature for accessing official Danish sites and for signing and encrypting e-mail. Today at work I helped a coworker with signing an ActiveX control, that made me consider if my personal digital signature could be used to sign code as well. When I came home I checked the advanced options of my digital signature, and Code Signing was among the certificate purposes: Checking out the advanced options of my digital signature reveals that it can also be used for signing code. Yay! Okay, that was really cool. So now onto the details of actually signing the code. First I downloaded the Microsoft Authenticode Tools and extracted them to C:\Program Files\CodeSign. To sign an executable I would just need to run signcode.exe. I would however, need the a .cer file containing the public key of my digital signature and a .pvk file containing my private key. The issuer had disabled export to .cer including the private key, so I had to find a different solution. From the issuers page it was possible to export the key (both public and private) to .pkcs12. Using the parts of the steps described on Matthew Jones' Page I got the .pkcs12 (which is the same as a .pfx file) converted to a .pem file and then finally to a .pvk file. To perform these steps you need OpenSSL for Windows and the PVK utility. To convert the .pfx file to .pem: `openssl pkcs12 -in sune.pkcs12 -nocerts -nodes -out sune.pem` To convert the .pem file to .pvk: `pvk -in sune.pem -topvk -out sune.pvk` Using the cert2spc.exe executable from the authenticode tools I turned my .cer file into a .spc file. Now I had everything to sign my first file (using Wise for Windows Installer): Typing in the details needed to digitally sign my installer package for my program Davina's GGS Timer. or from the command line: `C:\Program Files\CodeSign>signcode.exe -spc sune.spc -v sune.pvk -n "Davina's GGS Timer" -i http://www.tanis.dk/Products/DavinasGGSTimer -t http://timestamp.verisign.com/scripts/timestamp.dll DavinasGGSTimerInst.exe` A quick compile and running `chktrust.exe` from the authenticode tools on my installer exe now gives me this result: Verifying the digital signature on my signed installation program. I'll be signing my productions from now on.

Posted by Sune Trudslev in Technical at 19:45

Amalie's school pictures

We just got Amalie's school pictures and I thought I would share. They are just so cute:

Posted by Sune Trudslev in Family at 14:09

Monday, November 1, 2004

Web Service Interoperability Testing

The BackgroundWhen creating web service today, Web Service Interoperability is getting to be a bigger and bigger issue. There are a number of choices for the server platform, but the it is definately best if the client platform is not restricted in any way. We want everybody to be able to use our web service.WS-I is an organization working towards Web Service Interoperability "across platforms, operating systems, and programming languages". They have created some profiles that define a number of rules, that should ensure that your web service is interoperable. Ensuring that your web service complies to all these rules would, of course, be a monumental task, so there are ways to automate the actual testing, and that is what I am going to talk about today.Getting StartedFirst you need to download the WS-I's Testing Tools which can be found on this page. Since I am talking about Web Service Interoperability in the context of .NET you should get the C# version of the testing tools.Extract the zip file in the directory where you have your web WSDL file or files of your web service. It should be extracted to a subdirectory called wsi-test-tools.ConfigurationNow we need to create a configuration file for the testing tools, here is an example: This file contains the WS-I testing configuration for
WebService. true ..\..\common\Profiles\BasicProfileTestAssertions.xml ..\..\..\WebService.wsdl <http://tanis.dk/blog> We also need a batch file to run the tests. It could look like this:
@echo offcd wsi-test-tools\cs\binAnalyzer.exe -config ..\..\WebServiceConfig.xmlcd ..\..\Running the testsAnd now we are ready to run our tests: The outputAfter we have run the tests we have a nice viewable report that holds all the different test details, and what went wrong, if some of them failed.If everything goes well, this is what you should be seeing: If there are any problems with the wsdl, it will show you so:The report contains a summary over all the different tests as defined, and it shows which ones passed or failed: Further down in the report you can read a detailed description of each test. If they failed you will get an explanation why it failed: ConclusionEnsuring Web Service Interoperability is not an easy task. There are lots of things to be aware of, but if you align yourself with a few good tools, it might just become easier.Just my two cents.

Posted by Sune Trudslev in DotNet at 23:20

Blog Export: Sune Trudslev's WebLog, <http://www.tanis.dk/blog/>

Sunday, October 31. 2004

Common Replies (Canned Messages) MOD v1.0.2

I just fixed some more problems that were keeping the MOD from being approved at phpbb.com. Nothing too major, but a new released can be downloaded here.

Posted by Sune Trudslev in phpBB at 07:36

Saturday, October 30. 2004

Common Replies (Canned Messages) MOD v1.0.1

I just fixed a couple of problems that were keeping the MOD from being approved at phpbb.com. Nothing too major, but a new released can be downloaded here.

Posted by Sune Trudslev in phpBB at 07:01

S/MIME support in Eudora (or the lack there of)

I have been a happy user of Eudora mail for my home email for years. It has always been an easy program to use and their recent addition of a pretty good junk filter has made it a e-mail client worth mentioning. I have recently acquired an X509 personal certificate for signing and encrypting mail and for authenticating myself with official Danish sites. So today I sat down thinking that it would be cool if I could sign my mails using this certificate. The system that is used to sign MIME based mail is called S/MIME (short for secure MIME), and to my utter surprise Eudora lacks any kind of support for using this. A little googling revealed that several plug-ins had existed for this, but they are all discontinued. I guess it is time for me to find a different email client if I want to digitally sign my messages.

Posted by Sune Trudslev in Software at 06:54

Saturday, October 23, 2004

Common Replies (Canned Messages) MOD v1.0.0

I have been customizing the excellent free forum system phpBB for almost two years. The modular design and the template system makes phpBB a very pleasant experience from a programming point of view. Although I have been making many different customizations for phpBB, I had yet to make an officially released MOD. So a couple of weeks back I decided that I would rework one of my current customizations into an actual MOD. The result is this MOD. The list of the common replies that you have defined, will be available at the bottom of each page, when you are viewing a topic. The background for making this MOD is that when a community grows with several individuals every day, there are bound to be silly questions, wrong behavior, and, misplaced posts. Instead of getting a cramp from writing the same replies over and over, I have made this customization for phpBB. This list of the common replies are also available from the posting page. The basic idea is that you will have a list of common replies readily available when you are both reading posts and when you are replying to a post. It is possible for members of a group to set up their own customized common replies if it is set up by the administrator. The common replies are tied to the phpBB group system. You can define a list of common replies that will be available to the members of the group (i.e. moderators) and you can also allow the group members to define their own custom common replies. Common replies are tied to a phpBB group. You can make different lists of common replies for each group, and the different messages will be available only to the members of those groups. If they are members of more groups they will be able to use all the different lists. Furthermore it is possible to set up footers for both BBCode-enabled messages and for plain text messages. You can define any number of common replies per group, and you can also decide what order they will appear in, so that the most common ones are at the top. Both the allowed number of custom common replies and the footers are set up under the group that you want this functionality available to. To set up the list of common replies tied to the group, click the Canned Messages link the administration interface. For each common message you set up the title, the actual message, if BBCode should be enabled and what moderator action will be performed after the message is posted. For each group you can set up footers for both BBCode messages and for plain text message, and also the number of custom common replies that are allowed for the members of this group. Download You can download the MOD here. Installation You can follow the instructions in the common-replies-1.0.0em.txt file to install the MOD. The MOD is tested with EasyMOD so for your own convenience you should use that. Read how to use EasyMOD to install a MOD here. Demo If you would like to see a live demo of the system, it is available here. Username/password: demo/demo.

Posted by Sune Trudslev in phpBB at 15:58

Friday, October 22. 2004

"Contract-First" Web Service Development

I am working on a government project where alot of the data also needs to be available through a web service. An important issue in this web service project is that the contracts (wsdls) needs to be available and approved before the actual code is written. Here comes the necessity for "Contract-First" web service development. First you need a WSDL (Web Service Definition Language) file that describes the web service. Personally I prefer the freedom of creating those types of files by hand, but there is also free software like CapeClear's SOA Editor available. Just right-click the project name to create the stub code for your web service. If you craft them by hand you need to know something about the actual format (which I would recommend anyway). A good tutorial about the wsdl format is this article and a good one about XML schemas is this article. Both on w3schools.com. While it is possible to make some stub code for your server side web service code using the wsdl.exe utility that comes with the .NET Framework, Chistian Weyer has created a very cool little add-in for Visual Studio .NET called WsContractFirst. Creating the stub code for your web service server or client is as simple as just right clicking the project name. It seems that Contract First and web service interoperability are the buzz words of web services at the moment. The tools to create them are still in their infancy, but it will definately be interesting to see where this is going. I will write more on web service interoperability later. It is pretty easy to use the www.ws-i.org testing tools to test your wsdl. I will show how.

Posted by Sune Trudslev in DotNet at 21:28

Thursday, October 21. 2004

Luna and Noah's christening

Last Sunday, on the 17th of October 2004, Bastian and Amalie's cousins, Luna and Noah entered into Christianity. We were all gathered to witness the occasion. Amalie had lots of fun in church. She told me as we were going there that "we were going to sing and dance at church". Very cute. It all went very well and while Noah was being christened Amalie went and took her cousin Luna's hand. Then they both noticed that they were both wearing a lille heart that they had gotten from Oldemor. It was very cute. Afterwards we went to a party. We had some good food and good company. Amalie ate a lot of meatballs. It was raining really bad, so it was good that Amalie had brought her beloved umbrella. We were very happy that Farfar and Sandra had come to visit. Bedstemor, Oldemor, Anna, Morten and Børge were also there. The entire family (that was present), well, except me, but someone has to be behind the camera I guess.

Posted by Sune Trudslev in Family at 08:45

Sunday, May 23. 2004

Bastian & Amalie's birthday party

Yesterday we had Bastian and Amalie's birthday party. The guests were (in no particular order): Anna, Morten, Bedstemor, Henrik, Ceri, Luna og Stig. They got tons of presents. Amalie got a doctor set, some clothes, a watergun, and other things from Bedstemor, a bed set from Farfar & Rita, a living room set for the dollhouse from Henrik & Ceri, princess equipment from Morten & Anna, "p??ingsdukke" (dress up doll) from Trine, Luna & Stig, and a bike from Momma & Far. Bastian got a huge Mickey Mouse doll and many other things from Bedstemor, a bed set from Farfar & Rita, a game from Henrik & Ceri, a rescue doll from Morten & Anne, a 1-2-3 puzzle from Trine, Stig & Luna, and lots of educational computer games from Momma & Far. Together they also got a fun game from Bedstemor, that we played today, called "Kids from Catan", which is a children's version of Settlers. It's a lot of fun. They also got a cloud shaped lamp from Farfar & Rita. Bastian and Amalie unwrapping their presents. Cousin Luna is watching them closely. Amalie on her new bike. It was a BIG hit. Bastian playing his new "Mickey Mouse" game with his new "Mickey Mouse" doll under his arm. BIG hit as well.

Posted by Sune Trudslev in Family at 15:26

Friday, May 21. 2004

Bastian's birthday in the Zoo

Yesterday it was Bastian's 5th birthday. We went to the Zoo in Valby near Copenhagen to have a fun day out. We had lots of fun, Amalie loved the elephants and Bastian got 2 ice creams. It was a very fun day, although it was a bit cold at first. Here are some pictures from our trip: Amalie saying hello to the elephants. Bastian and Amalie getting yet another ice cream. Daddy was on a spending spree. Bastian told me that this was a crocodile.

Posted by Sune Trudslev in Family at 08:59

Monday, May 17. 2004

Amalie's birthday

May 17th. Today is four years since Amalie was born. I can't believe it has already been so long. She's getting to be a big girl now. Today I will go pick up her first bike, that she will get this coming Saturday, when we have the party for both her and Bastian.

Posted by Sune Trudslev in Family at 09:21