Windows 10 Creator Edition Quirks and Foibles

As many of you already know, and the rest of you will soon find out, Microsoft has again made unanticipated changes in their new rollout called the Creators Update. We will try to list these changes and the resultant workarounds here as these changes become apparent. Check back periodically to see what new changes have been added to the list.

Control Panel

Problem - Those of you who use "Control Panel" on a regular basis have probably already noticed that the "Control Panel" option has disappeared from the quick access or power menu.

Solution - Although I have found no way to add the "Control Panel" option back onto the quick access or power menu you can locate "Control Panel" by typing "control Panel" (without the quotation marks) into either a Cortana search bar or as a "Run" command. Typing into Cortana will bring up the "Control Panel Desktop App" option. Right click this and you can pin "Control Panel" to either your start menu, your task bar or both. Typing in as a "Run" command will open control panel itself.

Restore Point

Problem - One of the consequences of the new update was the loss of all your previously made restore points. If you think about this it makes sense, after all you wouldn't necessarily want to restore your system back to a pre-creators update state just because you had to use a restore point to get yourself out of a computing jam.

Solution - Open your restore point utility (type "restore point" in Cortana) and check to make sure at least the "Windows (C:) (System)" drive has protection turned on in the "protection settings" window. If not click on the "Windows (C:) (System)" drive to highlight it and click on "Configure". At the top of the "System Protection for Windows (C:)" that opens click on "Turn on System Protection". Click on "Apply" the "OK". The "Windows (C:) (System)" protection setting should now be "On". You should probably make a restore point at this time as well.

Windows Defender

Problem - Windows Defender has been removed from the control panel.

Solution - It can now be found in Settings > Update & Security > Windows Defender. It has been renamed Windows Defender Security Center.