

## 3.2 Release Notes: SimpleNetworkStarter

### **New Features**

SimpleNetworkStarter was a new tool in Release 3.0. It is intended for small (2-20) machine networks to give administrators who are not UNIX™ wizards a tool to get going.

- Allows simple configuration of several types of NFS server.
- Automatically configures ntp, and automatic host addition.
- Automatically secures netinfo domains to the local network.
- Will reconfigure sendmail network-wide.

There have been some cosmetic changes to the application since Release 3.0, but the functionality remains the same.

### **Known Problems**

The following are known problems with the SimpleNetworkStarter application.

- Before you set up a network using SimpleNetworkStarter, make sure that a networking board is already configured and installed in your computer. You configure a networking board using the Configure application. For information, see *Installing and Configuring NEXTSTEP Release 3.2 for Intel Processors*.
- Some check boxes may not be accurate after the network is configured.
- Configure This Host should never be clicked twice.
- If you want the mail picture database to function on client systems, you must create the directory **/LocalLibrary/Images** on that system. When you then reboot the system, **/LocalLibrary/Images/People** is mounted from the mail server.
- SimpleNetworkStarter makes a backup archive of the state of your system before rebuilding it. It mentions this archive file but not its location. The compressed tar archive is in **/etc/systemTar.Z**

## Troubleshooting

If SimpleNetworkStarter quits in the middle of configuring or fails to restore state when there is an error, you can recover the previous configuration as follows:

- 1 Halt the system.
- 2 Boot to single user mode.
- 3 At the first shell prompt enter: **fsck -p**
- 4 At the next shell prompt enter: **/NextAdmin/SimpleNetworkStarter.app/rc.restore.**

This script will restore the system to the state it had prior to the last time the button was pressed. It restores from a compressed tar archive **/etc/systemTar.Z**.