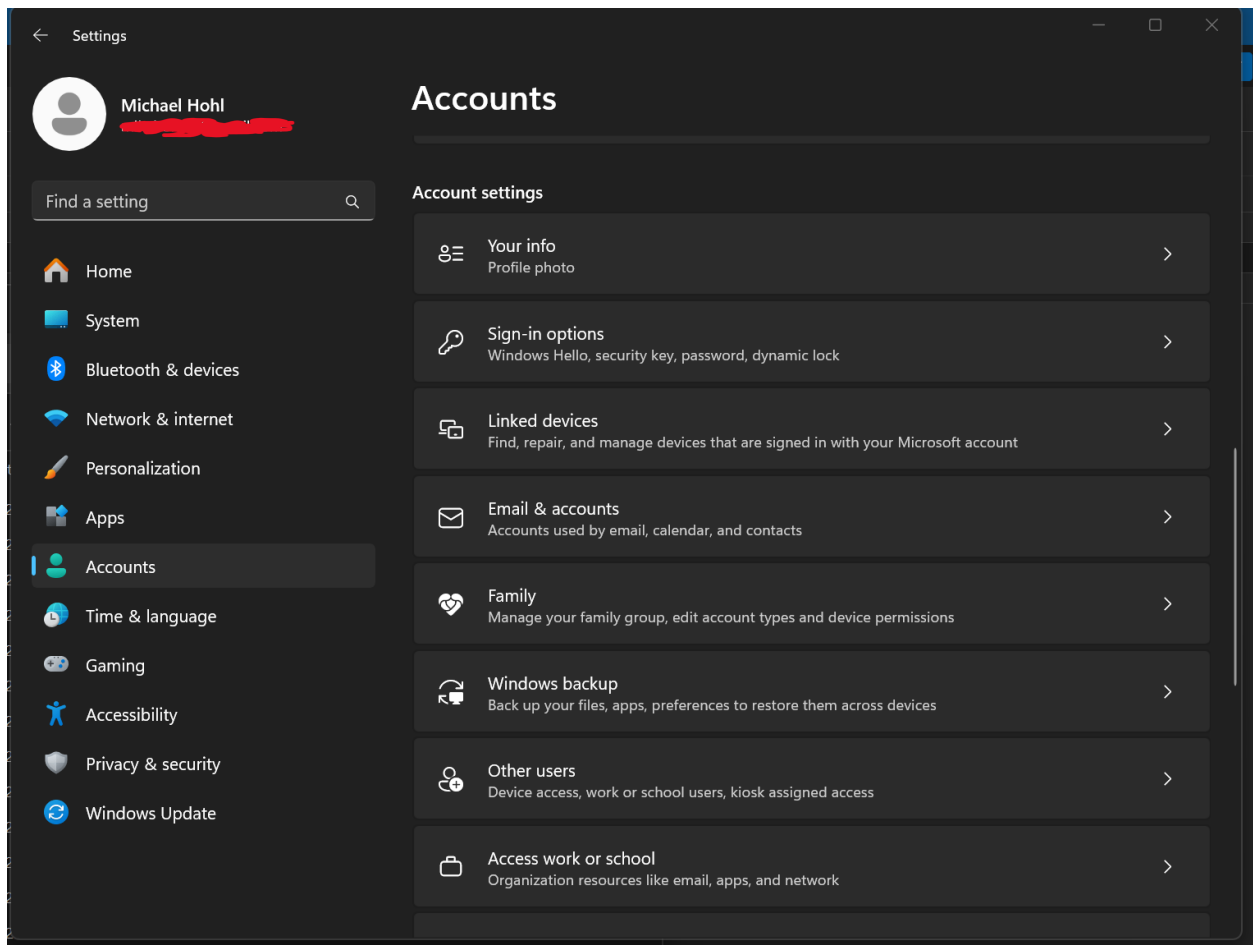


# Creating a backup folder on your Windows 11 Host for ProxmoxVE backups.

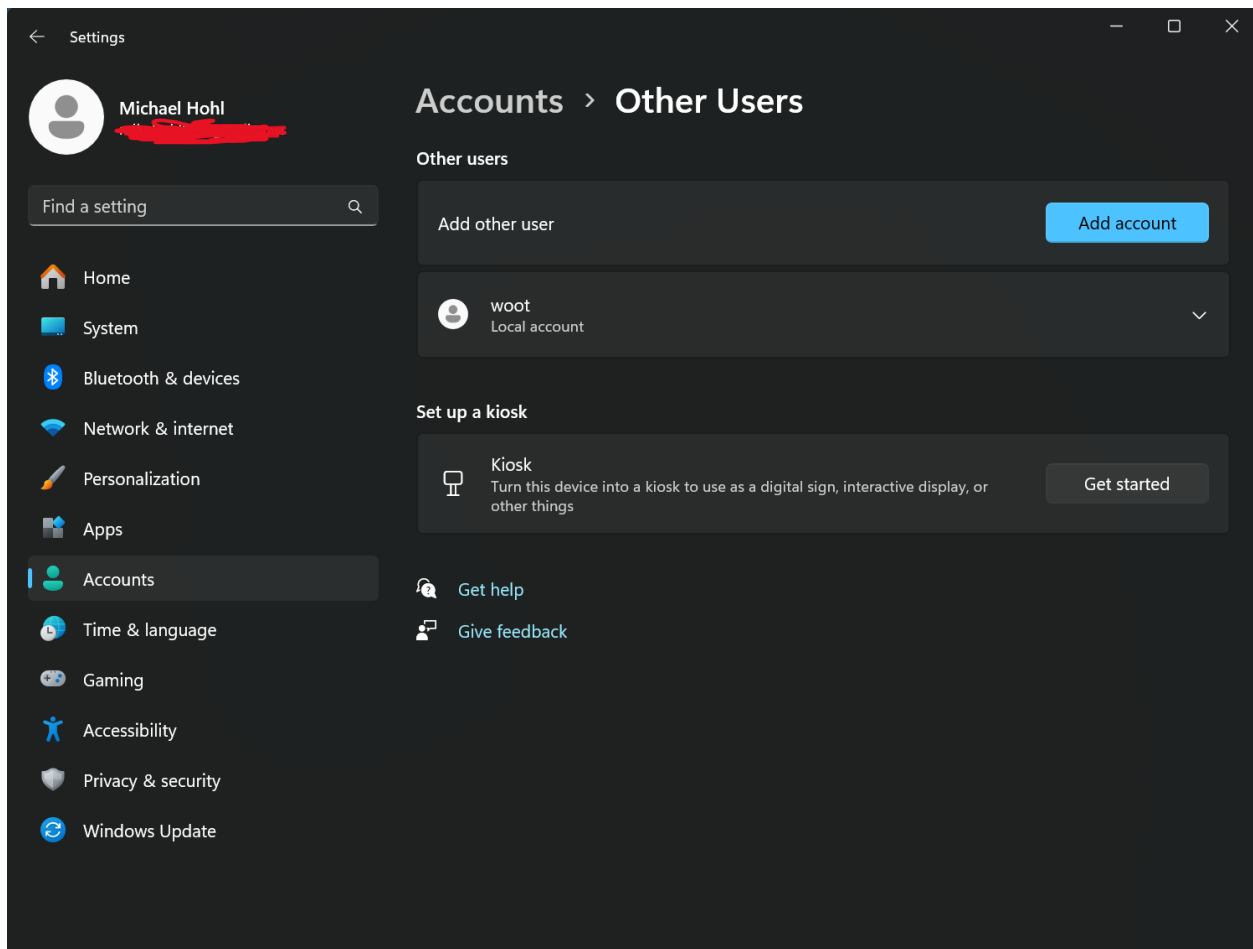
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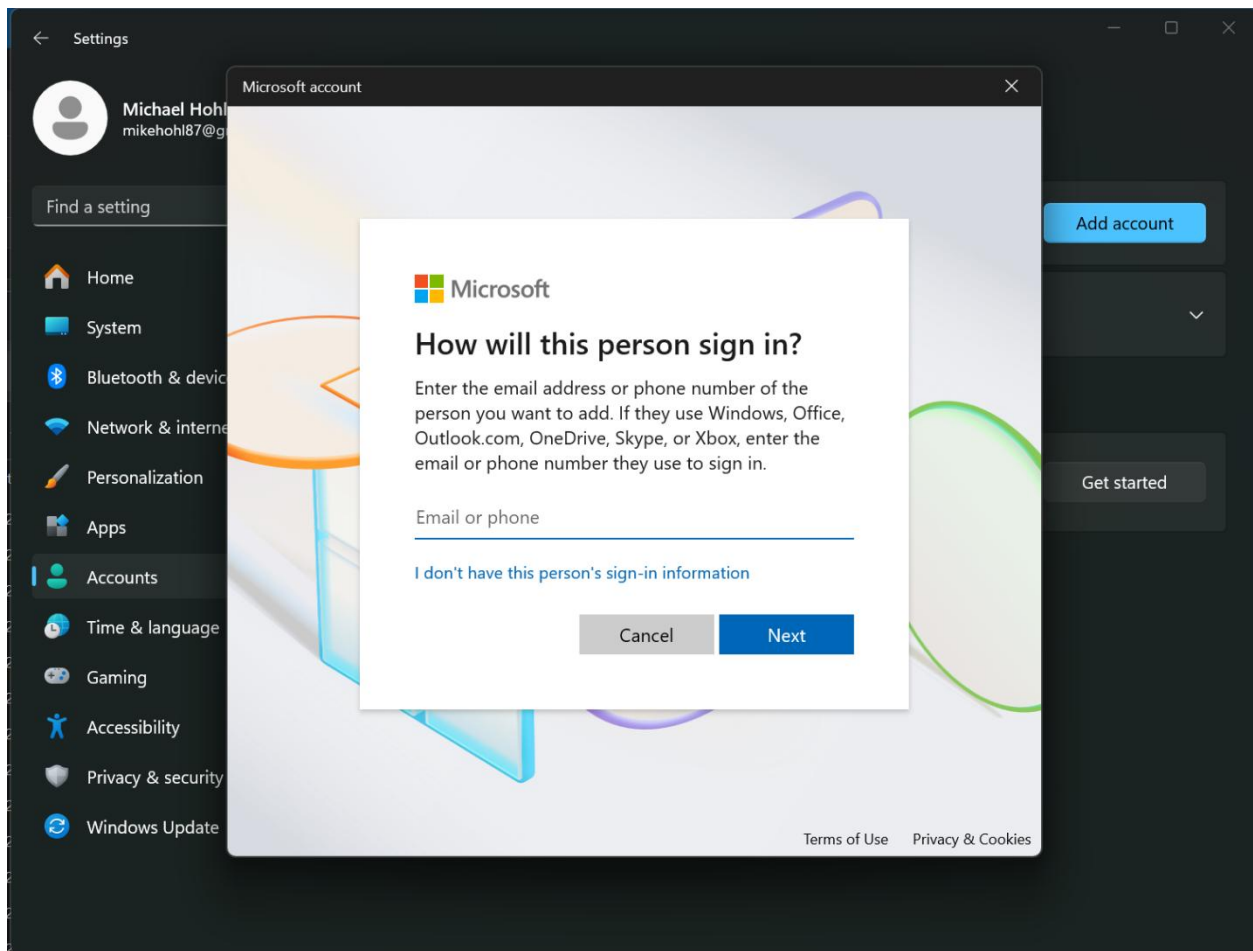
## Creating a new local user on your Windows 11 Host



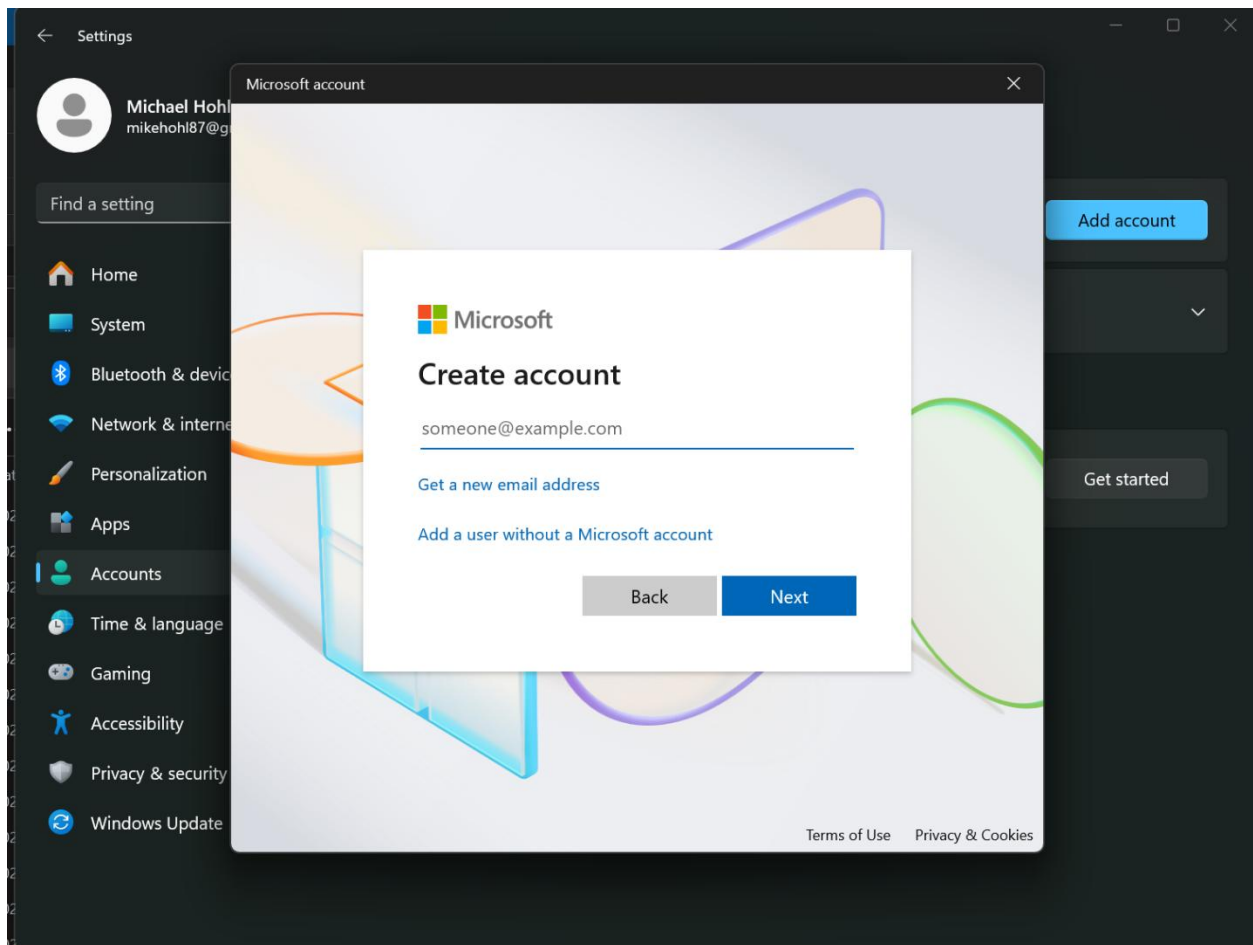
Right click on Windows button in lower left corner of your desktop. Click on System and navigate to Accounts.



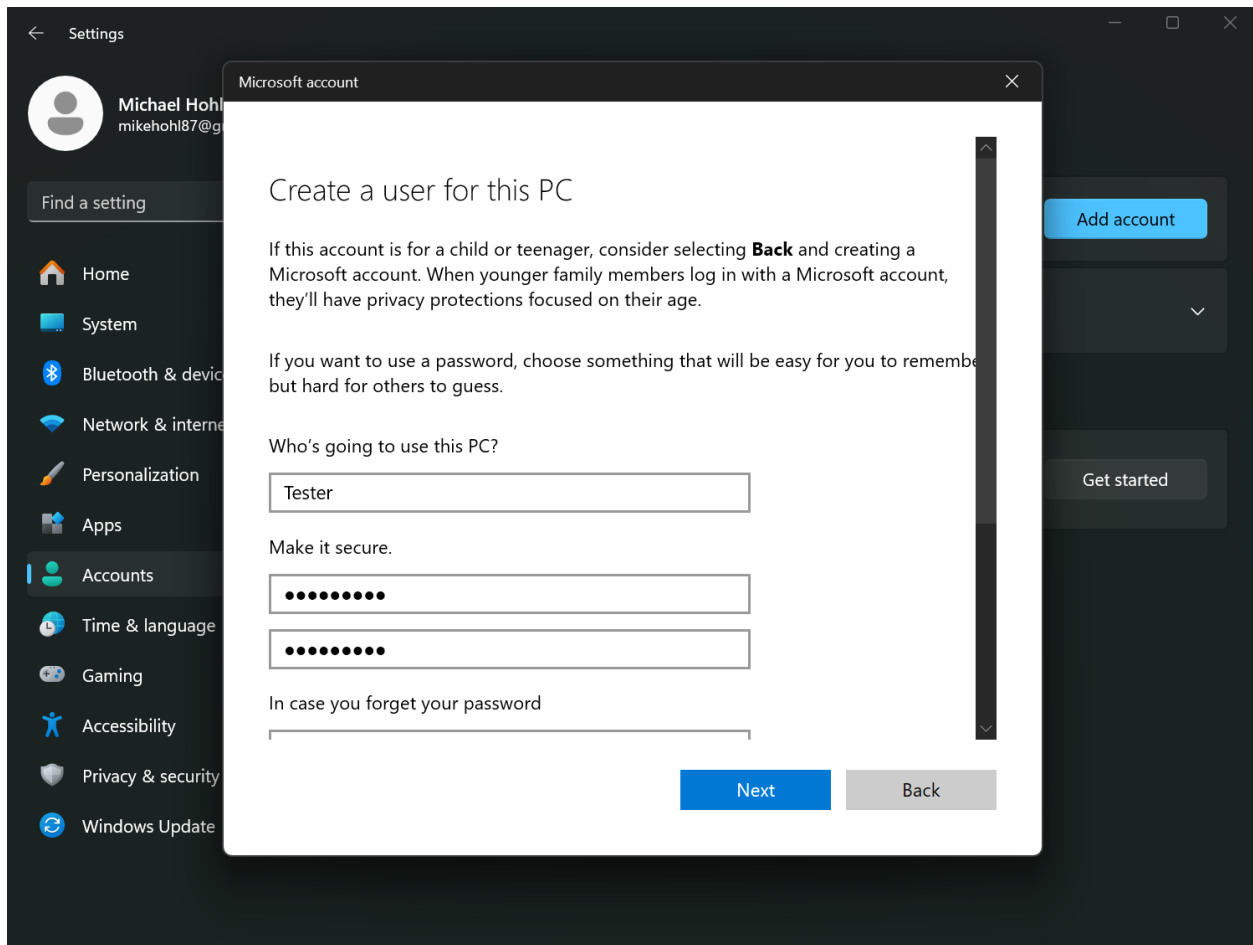
Click on Add account. The following pictures after this page will show you how to create a user without a Microsoft Account.



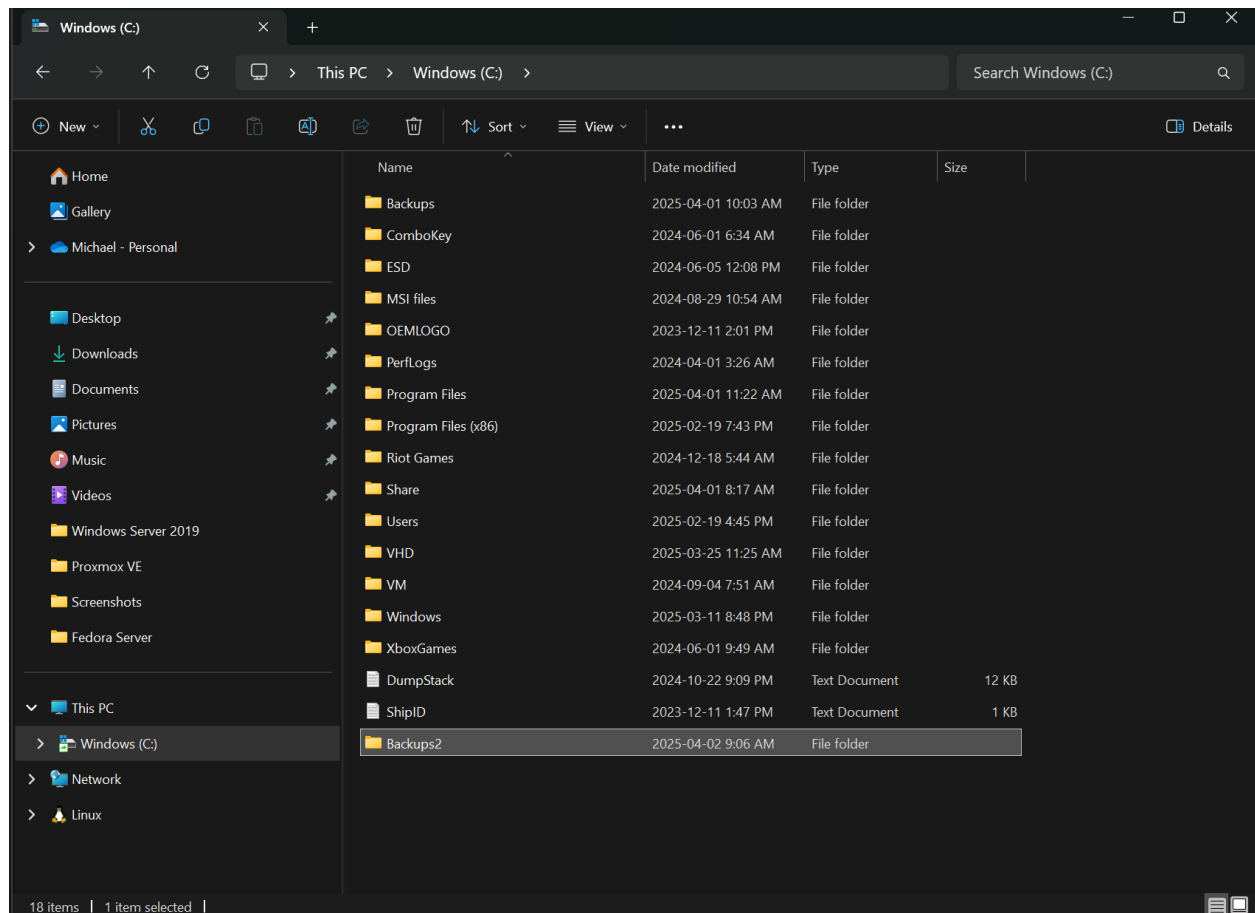
Here you will click on “I don’t have this person’s sign-in information”



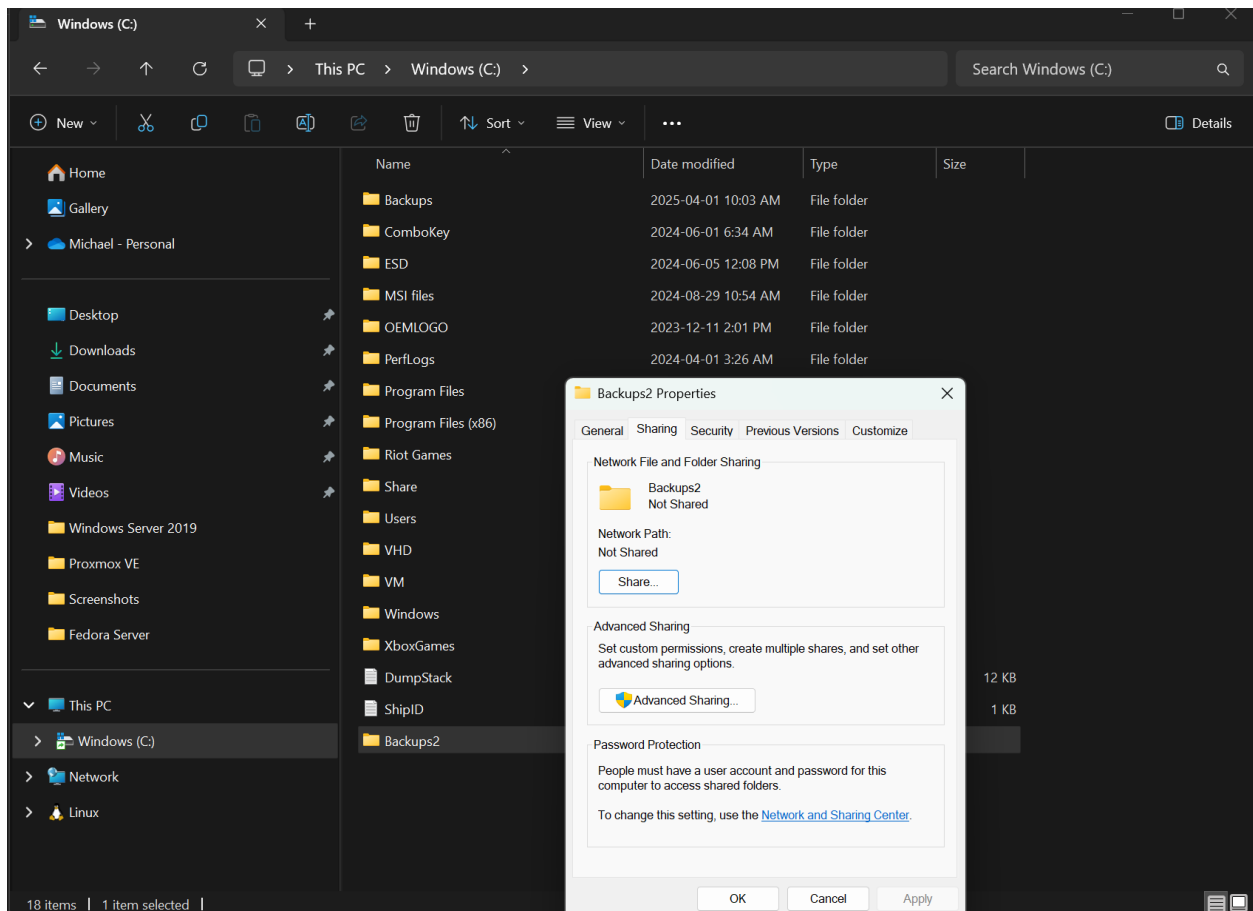
Here you will click on “Add a user without a Microsoft account”



This is where you will provide a username, in this case Tester. You will also be asked to provide a password as well as selecting 3 Security questions and providing answers for each of those questions.

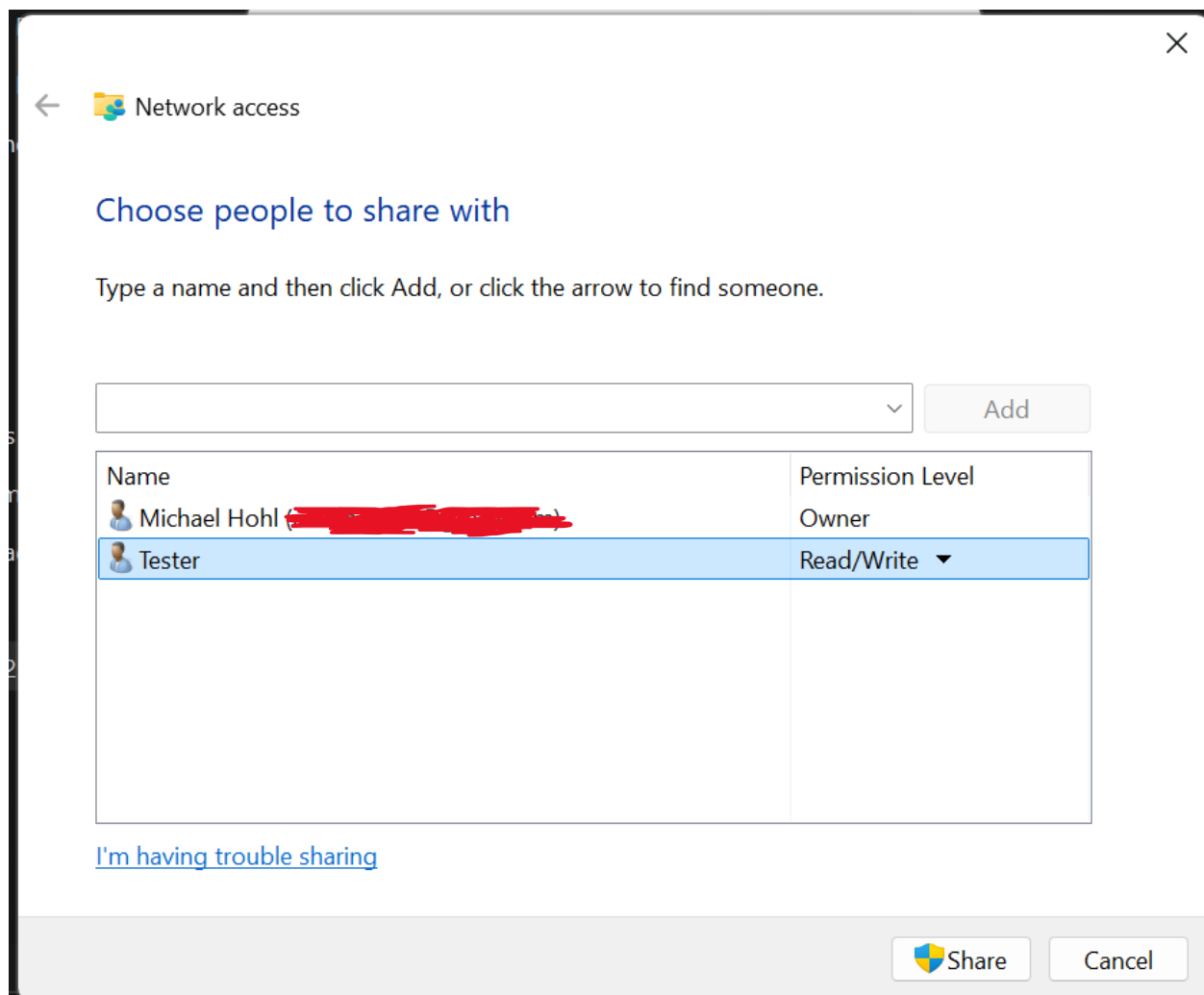


Now we will create a folder for backups. In this case navigate to your C: drive, right click the background, select New – Folder. Provide it a name, in this case we will use Backups2.

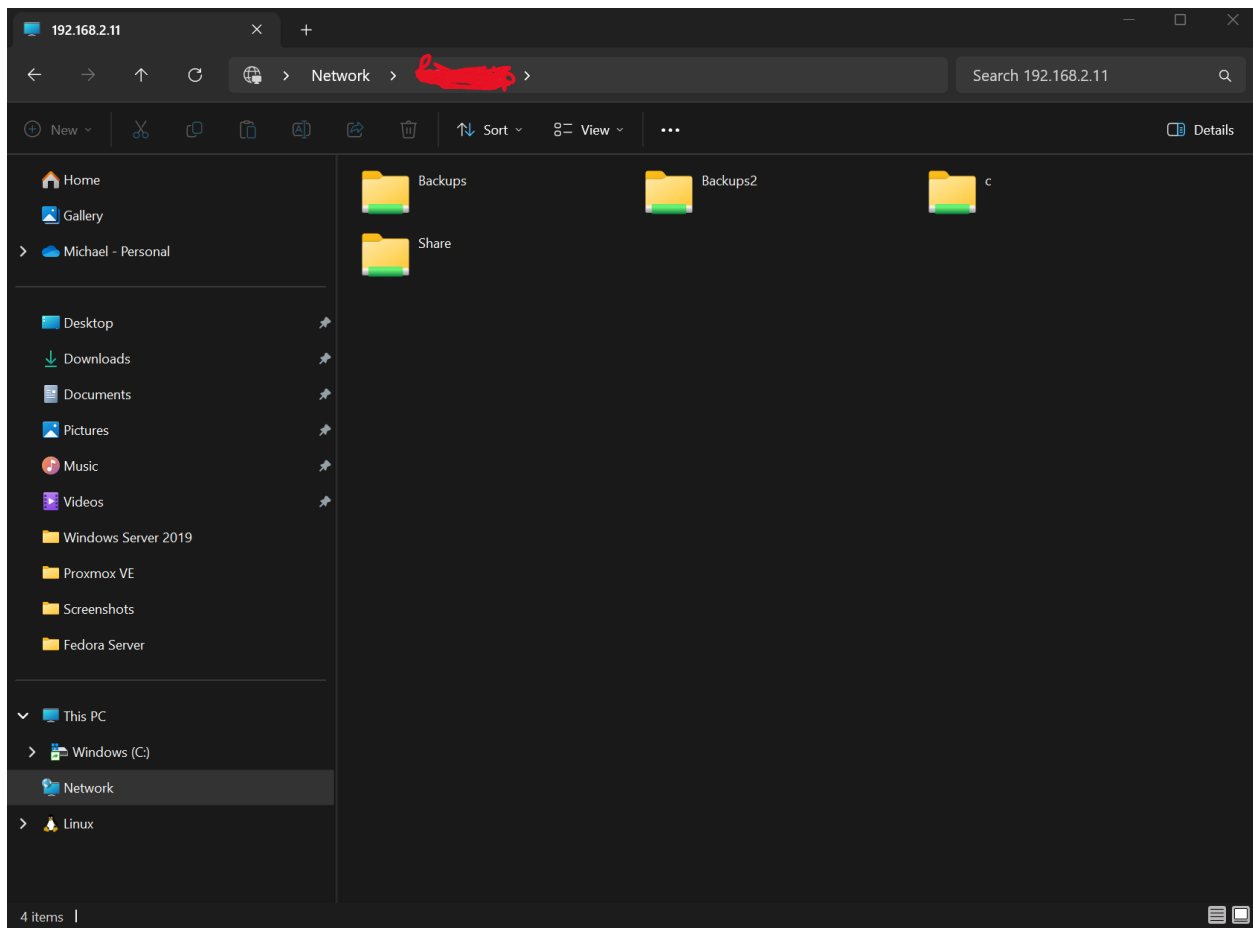


Right click on Backups 2. Navigate to the Sharing tab. Click on Share...

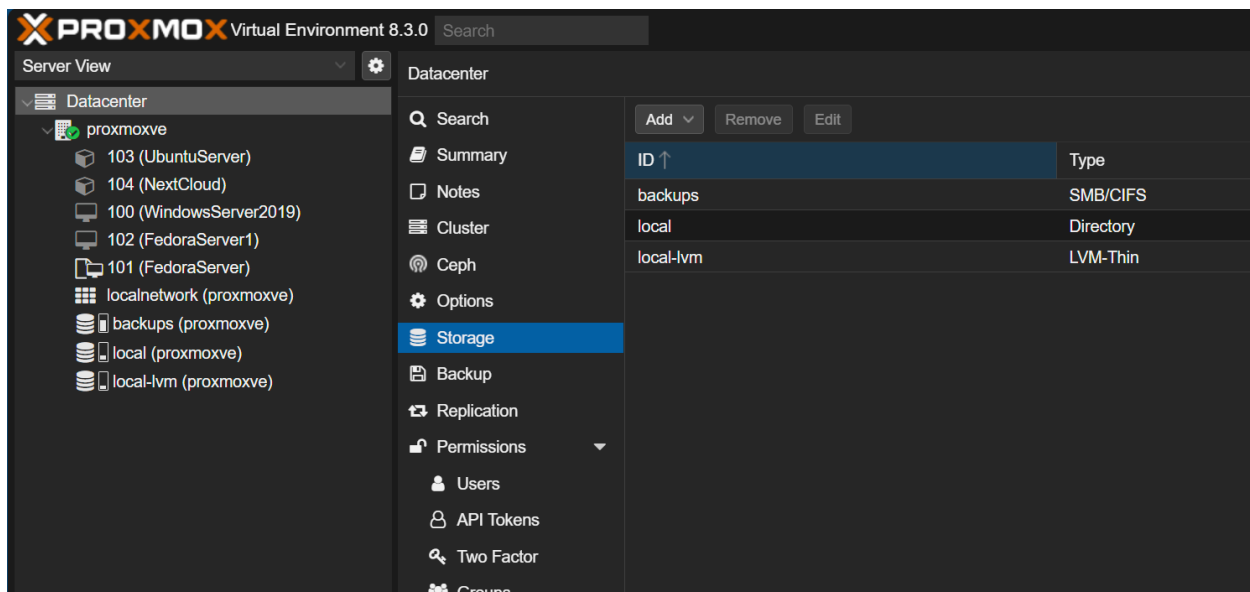




In the text box, we will be adding the user we created in our previous steps. Type the user name Tester and click add. You should see the user and their permissions, by default the user Tester had only the read permission. Click on the black arrow in the Permission Level and Select Read/Write.



To verify that your Share folder is accessible, navigate to your File Explorer, select Network on the left side of the window. In the address bar, type [\\Your.Host.IP.Address](http://Your.Host.IP.Address) to verify that Backups2 is accessible.



Navigate to your ProxmoxVE via your web browser. Select Datacenter, then go to Storage. Here we will click on Add. You will be asked to provide a Type, in this case we are using SMB/CIFS.

### Add: SMB/CIFS

General
Backup Retention

|           |                    |               |                                     |
|-----------|--------------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|
| ID:       | backups2           | Nodes:        | All (No restrictions)               |
| Server:   | ENTER HOST IP HERE | Enable:       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Username: | Tester             | Content:      | VZDump backup file                  |
| Password: | .....              | Domain:       |                                     |
| Share:    |                    | Subdirectory: | /some/path                          |

Preallocation: Default

Help
Advanced ☒
Add

This window will pop up with the options to configure our Backups2 storage. ID = name of the storage. Server is where you enter your HOST IP address. Provide the username we created earlier, Tester, and then provide the password. For Content: deselect DiskDrive, and select VZDump backup file.

Add: SMB/CIFS

General
Backup Retention

ID:
backups2

Server:

Username:
Tester

Password:
.....

Share:
Backups2

Nodes:
All (No restrictions)

Enable:
☒

Content:
VZDump backup file

Domain:

Subdirectory:
/some/path

Preallocation:
Default

? Help
Advanced ☒
Add

From the Share: select the folder we created earlier called Backups2. Now verify that the information is correct and select Add.

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| ID ↑      | Type      | Content                |
|-----------|-----------|------------------------|
| backups   | SMB/CIFS  | VZDump backup file     |
| backups2  | SMB/CIFS  | VZDump backup file     |
| local     | Directory | VZDump backup file, IS |
| local-lvm | LVM-Thin  | Disk image, Container  |

Navigate back to Datacenter – Storage. Note that we now see Backups2. From here we can begin the process of backups for each of our VMs or Containers.