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Subject: Stuck with icq  
Posted by [bytefield](#) on Fri, 25 Apr 2008 17:04:31 GMT  
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Hi,  
i don't want to offend anyone but icq site is a mess. After few minutes that i spent with icq, I've decided to remove my account and guess what, you cannot remove your account directly from the site (I don't know if that's possible from their programs, because i haven't installed Windows OS on my box).  
So, you others programmers, how do you communicate each others, especially u++ core programmers (icq, mail, chat, YM, forum, etc.)?

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Subject: Re: Stuck with icq  
Posted by [mirek](#) on Fri, 25 Apr 2008 17:09:38 GMT  
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ICQ

Mirek

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Subject: Re: Stuck with icq  
Posted by [bytefield](#) on Fri, 25 Apr 2008 19:00:13 GMT  
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Subject: Re: Stuck with icq  
Posted by [mirek](#) on Fri, 25 Apr 2008 19:32:52 GMT  
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Could be interesting. Anyway, for now, ICQ

Mirek

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Subject: Re: Stuck with icq

Posted by [mr\\_ped](#) on Sat, 26 Apr 2008 01:18:01 GMT

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I always did hate ICQ since it's very first days, the recent versions forced me to run away from official clients, and the recent reliability problems make me hate it even more than ever.

But there's so many people using it here around. Very difficult to move on anything else, at least skype is used quite a lot too.

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Subject: Re: Stuck with icq

Posted by [mirek](#) on Sat, 26 Apr 2008 05:53:25 GMT

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mr\_ped wrote on Fri, 25 April 2008 21:18

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Just for record, I am not using official ICQ client either.

Mirek

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Subject: Re: Stuck with icq

Posted by [bytefield](#) on Sat, 26 Apr 2008 08:54:49 GMT

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I made a "compromise" until we have something better and still have an icq account. I use it from Pidgin, but it's not specialized on icq communications, so if someone could suggest a better client for icq, available on Linux(Ubuntu).

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Subject: Re: Stuck with icq

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Posted by [mdelfede](#) on Sun, 27 Apr 2008 21:46:46 GMT

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I'm using ICQ since it's first days (It was from Mirabilis, since...) and I like it. BTW, I don't like either recent official clients... so I use Pidgin. It doesn't offer all search stuffs, but it works.

Max

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Subject: Re: Stuck with icq

Posted by [tvanriper](#) on Tue, 29 Apr 2008 01:30:35 GMT

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Honestly, I can't stand IM systems, in general.

When I have to communicate with someone, I either use e-mail, or forums.

Unless, of course, I can walk down the hall and talk to the person.

I find IMs terribly disruptive. They demand attention immediately, when perhaps I might need to focus on a problem. I may as well pick up a ringing phone.

But, I seem to be the minority in this opinion... a lot of my friends love to IM each other... so I'm perhaps old-fashioned or something.

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Posted by [mdelfede](#) on Tue, 29 Apr 2008 07:39:14 GMT

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IMHO im are very good to solve quickly a problem, when it's there.

Just think you've an app opened, it doesn't behave as expected, with im you can follow step-by-step instructions and show/solve the problem. With forums/mails it would take forever.... Of course a phone call is even better, but it's usually not cheap, and sometimes the language barriers are strong

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OTOH, for long-term problems, forums are much better.

Max

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Subject: Re: Stuck with icq  
Posted by [cocob](#) on Tue, 29 Apr 2008 07:49:42 GMT  
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Are phone calls expensive in your countries ?

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Subject: Re: Stuck with icq  
Posted by [mr\\_ped](#) on Tue, 29 Apr 2008 08:13:25 GMT  
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Quote:Are phone calls expensive in your countries ?  
2min call can cost me as much as my breakfast.  
(than again I try to not call at all, so I didn't optimize it with some hefty month plan, which would lead to considerably lower minute prices and some free minutes, but the month expenses would be set up ahead)

tvanriper: I'm on with you, the IM often annoys me a lot.

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Subject: Re: Stuck with icq  
Posted by [bytefield](#) on Tue, 29 Apr 2008 10:09:12 GMT  
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cocob wrote on Tue, 29 April 2008 10:49Are phone calls expensive in your countries ?

Local calls aren't expensive, they are free on weekend and after 17:00 I guess, but international call cost a lot and like Massimo was saying "sometimes the language barriers are strong". I don't even write English very well, but what if I talk, maybe you will understand me or I will understand you but not as well as I want.

Quote:the IM often annoys me a lot.  
Be invisible, ignore annoying messages(switch sounds off, etc.), clean-up your list, remove unwanted "friends", request your friends to not send to you unwanted mass messages (they should put you in a separate group, or something ).

Quote:  
2min call can cost me as much as my breakfast.  
Well, don't eat your breakfast for a month and talk on phone for one hour. Or use my "advices" and use IM, YM, ICQ, etc. Don't let your friends to annoy you, if they are good friends and want you to be their friend they will make that move for you or if you are kind(understanding) you will

ignore all mass message and live with mess unless you get something better ore you switch off the IM forever.

P.S.: I like using forum too because here you have nothing to hide and sharing your knowledge will help sometimes other people (if they know using search button )

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Subject: Re: Stuck with icq  
Posted by [mirek](#) on Tue, 29 Apr 2008 10:36:49 GMT  
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mr\_ped wrote on Tue, 29 April 2008 04:13Quote:Are phone calls expensive in your countries ?  
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Hm, makes me wonder what kind of breakfast that may be (Depends on where you call too, right?).

Mirek

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Subject: Re: Stuck with icq  
Posted by [mr\\_ped](#) on Tue, 29 Apr 2008 11:04:16 GMT  
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2min call to XX from X-XX.. (you know who, but I don't want to make advertisement to either of the two) costs me around 13CZK.  
Sometimes I buy for my breakfast small bun with vegetables & stuff = 12CZK. Or I eat half of my musli box, that's ~15CZK + milk ~5CZK...

Oh well, maybe I spend too much on breakfast.. Didn't even realize how much it can be if I sum together everything.

Quote:don't eat your breakfast  
Are you crazy? Changing food for some chat? A high quality meal always make me smile.

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Subject: Re: Stuck with icq  
Posted by [mdelfede](#) on Tue, 29 Apr 2008 12:28:35 GMT  
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luzr wrote on Tue, 29 April 2008 12:36mr\_ped wrote on Tue, 29 April 2008 04:13Quote:Are phone calls expensive in your countries ?  
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Mirek

Well, well... a nice caviar-champagne breakfast could do the job

Max

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Subject: Re: Stuck with icq  
Posted by [bytefield](#) on Tue, 29 Apr 2008 13:00:42 GMT  
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Back to topic, people!  
I don't take my breakfast eating caviar in front of my computer ( I wish too , having another desktop in kitchen, or perhaps a laptop, wireless network, etc. )  
So, we declare icq subject closed and share some coffee since we are in Coffee corner.

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Subject: Re: Stuck with icq  
Posted by [captainc](#) on Fri, 22 Aug 2008 12:05:13 GMT  
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mr\_ped wrote on Fri, 25 April 2008 21:18I use ICQ, Skype and registered on jabber recently. And I have grown up at IRC (back in 1993 when there was nothing else anyway, and still after 15 years I find IRC superior to anything, if chat in group is involved)

Me too... I'm on IRC all the time. I think we should have a U++ room on Freenode. The C++ channel always has around 450 people in it. Maybe a bot could run on the U++ server to hold the room and provide some information. It could be a place for U++ users to "hang out". Anyone else IRC fans?

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Subject: Re: Stuck with icq  
Posted by [bytefield](#) on Fri, 22 Aug 2008 13:14:44 GMT  
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I'm not an IRC fan, but i believe it is a good idea if we have a Upp IRC room and a bot which record conversations(from room not from user to user) for further usage and a way to access that history, in that way no important information get lost. But i don't know if it is the priority right now

(documentation, upp "infrastructure server", a new site design, maybe a new forum [after someone parse it and pick all useful infos])...

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Subject: Re: Stuck with icq

Posted by [phirox](#) on Mon, 02 Mar 2009 13:58:59 GMT

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I am an IRC fan, and hang out alot on freenode. This IRC server is used mostly by open source users & developers, and many projects have their own channel.

I made a channel #ultimate++, so hope to see some other users there soon. I also made an IRC bot in ultimate++, which hangs out there to show off the power

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