Subject: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by mirek on Sat, 05 Apr 2014 15:47:42 GMT

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As you can see, we are now running fudforum 3.0.5.

Please check your personal account settings, there were many problems in migration there. If you plan to post patches for U++ eventually, you can also use this opportunity to fill in your real name:) (this is now a requirement).

Please report any problems here, via PM or email.

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by Klugier on Sat, 05 Apr 2014 16:33:55 GMT

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Hello Mirek,

It seems that tree view is still present for unloged user and me too. In my opinion tree view for answers is totally unreadable for common users.

BTW, Will this forum be integrated with Ultimate++ website like previous.

TreeView issue:

Sincerely, Klugier

### File Attachments

1) TreeView.png, downloaded 878 times

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by mirek on Sat, 05 Apr 2014 16:47:38 GMT

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Is it present, or set by default? (I hoped I fixed the later).

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by mirek on Sat, 05 Apr 2014 17:13:25 GMT

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What about now? Should be fixed IMO...

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by Klugier on Sat, 05 Apr 2014 18:36:49 GMT

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Hello Mirek,

It doesn't work either. Moreover it destroyed topic list (Now it works in TreeView mode).

Screen:

I have got one more question. Are you sure that this update will protect Ultimate++ community against bots? I see a lot of new accounts that dosen't look like regular Ultimate++ users.

Sincerely, Klugier

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1) TopicList-TreeViewInsteadOfList.png, downloaded 870 times

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by koldo on Sat, 05 Apr 2014 21:11:24 GMT

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Yes, it is true. And I do not know how to delete them :(

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by Klugier on Sat, 05 Apr 2014 22:05:54 GMT

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It seems that we have got bigger hell than previous;) But there are no spam, yet.

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by sergeynikitin on Sat, 05 Apr 2014 22:25:25 GMT

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Next little step - upload right images and icons!

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by nlneilson on Sun, 06 Apr 2014 07:03:47 GMT

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The initial changes were hard to get used to but is getting better.

The lit and unlit bulbs and red and blue books are easy to distinguish.

With your previous bumpy circle it was difficult to distinguish between the colored and grayed in some lighting conditions.

If you are going to switch back to the colored bumpy circle for new posts consider just a circle but not grayed (just a bumpy circle with none of the lines inside the periphery.

If a final decision has not been made consider having a vote before "upload right images and icons".

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by mirek on Sun, 06 Apr 2014 07:06:58 GMT

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nlneilson wrote on Sun, 06 April 2014 03:03The initial changes were hard to get used to but is getting better.

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Forum visuals are not finished yet. I think there are bigger issues to fix now.

Anyway, the target should be about the same as it was before. Only technically, this time I would rather like to use <iframe> to embed forum and minimize forum theming.

I will remember to tone down those gray icons.

Mirek

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by mirek on Sun, 06 Apr 2014 07:08:26 GMT

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koldo wrote on Sat, 05 April 2014 17:11Yes, it is true. And I do not know how to delete them :(

Moderating/admin rights were unfortunately removed during migration, I will be restoring them

gradually and/or on demand. I hope you are forum admin now, Koldo, just as before (please check).

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by nlneilson on Sun, 06 Apr 2014 07:15:53 GMT

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Thanks Mirek

Maybe even have an option where the threads with no new posts would be blank, no image.

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by BioBytes on Sun, 06 Apr 2014 08:08:10 GMT

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Hi Mirek,

Congratulations, Very nice forum version. :p

**Biobytes** 

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by mirek on Sun, 06 Apr 2014 08:31:36 GMT

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I am sorry, there are still issues with default account settings (e.g. that ugly tree view). I am still experimenting with setting account flags, so please keep rechecking and informing me...

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by mirek on Sun, 06 Apr 2014 08:46:39 GMT

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Avatars should be back...

The only problem I am now aware of is that withou being logged in, messages are displayed in tree view...

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by nlneilson on Sun, 06 Apr 2014 09:18:48 GMT

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The tree view was a pain but a great job has been done on the update.

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by koldo on Sun, 06 Apr 2014 10:25:00 GMT

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Hello Mirek

Now it is possible to delete spammers.

However there is a lot of spam. Could you check the new user filtering system?

Thank you for your effort :)

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by mirek on Sun, 06 Apr 2014 13:41:35 GMT

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koldo wrote on Sun, 06 April 2014 10:25Hello Mirek

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Thank you for your effort :)

I am not quite sure what you mean by the spam.

The primary antispam feature of the new forum is that first message gets always moderated. So spammers get registred, but are unable to post.

It is also possible to disable posting links until first N messages are approved.

Mirek

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by mirek on Sun, 06 Apr 2014 13:43:08 GMT

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Also, "uncofirmed users" are getting deleted after 7 days automatically...

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

# Posted by forlano on Sun, 06 Apr 2014 17:47:11 GMT

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mirek wrote on Sun, 06 April 2014 10:46

The only problem I am now aware of is that withou being logged in, messages are displayed in tree view...

I do not see any tree view. Perhaps it has been fixed. Very good job! Luigi

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by koldo on Mon, 07 Apr 2014 06:17:01 GMT

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mirek wrote on Sun, 06 April 2014 15:43Also, "uncofirmed users" are getting deleted after 7 days automatically...Hello Mirek

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Koldo

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Posted by mirek on Mon, 07 Apr 2014 06:48:26 GMT

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### Koldo

Well, we can start moderating new accounts. I also suggest you to investigate admin setup of forum, perhaps you will find some solution.

Alternatively, I can also imagine adding some tool that automatically deletes new users that have not posted for some days or something like that. I would not really like to change to code of forum, but this could be done by some periodic cron job doing some (my)SQL.

Or... the reason why they are registering new accounts is that they can put a link to homepage there, which is then found by (google) bots and increases the pagerank of target page. Perhaps removing homepage link completely would fix the problem too.

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by mirek on Mon, 07 Apr 2014 07:33:00 GMT

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OK, I have deleted users with zero posts, non-empty 'home page' that joined more than 2 hours ago. This was one time only, but we could have a cron to do so.

I think we could define some rules here.

Like zero posts after 14 days user gets deleted even if he is confirmed.

2 hours after user with home page is not confirmed, has home page defined, he gets deleted...

Mirek

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by koldo on Mon, 07 Apr 2014 08:38:02 GMT

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Hello Mirek

It is clear that spammers fill the captcha correctly:(.

#### IMHO:

Quote: 2 hours after user with home\_page is not confirmed, has home\_page defined, he gets deleted...

Ok

Quote: "Like zero posts after 14 days user gets deleted even if he is confirmed. I do not like it. Many users never posts.

There are some ideas that could be interesting (from FUD here):

- Activating the Botscout.plugin (an open boot database)
- To try other captchas: Recaptcha.plugin, Riddlecaptcha.plugin, Mathcaptcha.plugin.
- Moderate user's first 5 messages
- N messages before allowing users to post links (Users are required to post more than N messages before they can embed links into their posts)

Quote:Or... the reason why they are registering new accounts is that they can put a link to homepage there, which is then found by (google) bots and increases the pagerank of target pagel agree.

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by mirek on Mon, 07 Apr 2014 10:12:34 GMT

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koldo wrote on Mon, 07 April 2014 08:38cha.plugin, Mathcaptcha.plugin.

- Moderate user's first 5 messages

1 message was already activated. For now I would say single post to check is enough, no need to waste time with 5.

#### Quote:

- N messages before allowing users to post links (Users are required to post more than N messages before they can embed links into their posts)

Now there is one thing I have missed before: this option is about links in signature too. I would say it could fix the problem considerably. I have activated 1 message too here, we will see how it is going...

Well, at least we do not have any spam in the actual forum yet, just in Members...

Mirek

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by nineilson on Mon, 07 Apr 2014 11:56:15 GMT

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koldo wrote on Mon, 07 April 2014 01:38

- N messages before allowing users to post links (Users are required to post more than N messages before they can embed links into their posts)

This could stop ~95% of the spam.

They post the spam with a link to what they are trying to sell: Ugg boots, designer clothes and bags, football T-shirts, porn, prescribed drugs, travel agency, etc..

That has been my experience of what the spam includes as a moderator on another forum.

edit: The U.S. has been trying to get China to crack down on spammers.

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by koldo on Mon, 07 Apr 2014 14:01:39 GMT

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In addition, what do you think about changing the captchas and using a bot database?

Now new Forum members joined from 19 June 2012 on without messages seem to be deleted.

IMHO many members that do not post are real and should remain.

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by jerson on Mon, 07 Apr 2014 14:37:48 GMT

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Please excuse my post. I used to have a live-bookmark to the old forum in Firefox that has stopped working now. Is there a way I can mark a live-bookmark to the new forums? I tried subscribing to the index page of the forums, but it doesn't seem to work. Perhaps I am doing something wrong.

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by dolik.rce on Mon, 07 Apr 2014 15:37:40 GMT

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I'm not familiar with firefox live-bookmarks, but I assume they are based on RSS or RDF feeds. The new feed address is http://www.ultimatepp.org/forums/feed.php?mode=m&l=1&basic=1

Also note that the options can be customized, as described in the help here.

Honza

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by jerson on Mon, 07 Apr 2014 16:12:05 GMT

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**Greetings Honza** 

The live bookmark is nothing more than RSS feed. Still the new feed URL does not load. I have loaded this as the feed location http://www.ultimatepp.org/forums/feed.php?mode=m&l=1&basic=1 Unfortunately for me, it still fails to load.

Regards Jerson

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by nlneilson on Mon, 07 Apr 2014 23:31:28 GMT

jerson wrote on Mon, 07 April 2014 09:12Still the new feed URL does not load.

This link works for me and I am using Firefox http://www.ultimatepp.org/forums/

I don't know about RSS or any other feeds as I have not had a need or a problem.

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by jerson on Tue, 08 Apr 2014 03:44:57 GMT

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Hello Neil

The direct URL to the forums works. I use that for now.

I normally use the RSS feed as it gives me a snapshot of the new messages in a click-able link format. That is the part that does not work.

Regards Jerson

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by mirek on Tue, 08 Apr 2014 05:54:33 GMT

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koldo wrote on Mon, 07 April 2014 14:01In addition, what do you think about changing the captchas and using a bot database?

Well, there is single new user registered since yesterday and he might be genuine. So the only remaining problem with bots and spammers now is here

http://www.ultimatepp.org/forums/index.php?t=actions&

- I mean, you can see there they are still trying, but are now refused. Them still trying has some small negative impact on traffic bandwidth being wasted and some CPU resources dedicated, but nothing I would loose sleep about. IMO we can consider the "spam issue" resolved for now.

Especially, I am no big fan of elaborated captchas - too often I am unable to decode them myself :)

### Quote:

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I believe I have only deleted 'new' accounts created after new forum was installed.

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by koldo on Tue, 08 Apr 2014 06:08:34 GMT

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Hello Mirek

True. Spammers seem to be radically stopped:).

About the members, please check here.

This is the members list from just one year on. Everybody have sent a post. All members that have not sent any post do not appear.

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1) List.png, downloaded 689 times

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by nlneilson on Mon, 14 Apr 2014 00:48:55 GMT

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mirek wrote on Sun, 06 April 2014 00:06nlneilson wrote on Sun, 06 April 2014 03:03 The lit and unlit bulbs and red and blue books are easy to distinguish.

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I will remember to tone down those gray icons.

Mirek

Now it is back to the bumpy circles that are hard to distinguish the 'lit' and grayed.

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

# Posted by mirek on Mon, 14 Apr 2014 03:41:53 GMT

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Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by nineilson on Mon, 14 Apr 2014 20:28:20 GMT

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mirek wrote on Sun, 13 April 2014 20:41

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I will check what U++ has for working with icons, I noticed it before but never used it. I will be heading out later today for ~week but will see what I can do later.

**Thanks** 

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Posted by mirek on Tue, 15 Apr 2014 06:13:38 GMT

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**Thanks** 

It really does not need to be done by U++, any editor able to edit .png with alpha would do.

Just download current gray icon from the web, edit and PM to me...

Mirek

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by nlneilson on Thu, 17 Apr 2014 12:55:39 GMT

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Thanks Mirek

I spent some time with M\$ Paint.

As far as discernible difference between new posts and old your bumpy circle and no icon is the most difference.

After tinkering a bit with the current no new posts icon changing even the shape helps.

Here is an icon that is just like a minus sign.

# File Attachments

1) Upp-icon-2.png, downloaded 334 times

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by jibe on Fri, 18 Apr 2014 09:43:52 GMT

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Hi,

Thanks for the work!

There is a problem with Google links that are not working anymore. They point to www.ultimatepp.org/forum/ when with the new version the right URL is www.ultimatepp.org/forums/

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by mirek on Fri, 18 Apr 2014 11:15:13 GMT

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jibe wrote on Fri, 18 April 2014 09:43Hi,

Thanks for the work!

There is a problem with Google links that are not working anymore. They point to www.ultimatepp.org/forum/ when with the new version the right URL is www.ultimatepp.org/forums/

What do you mean by Google links? (Links from where? Google search?).

Also, www.ultimatepp.org/forum now has JS redirect to the correct link.

Mirek

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by jibe on Fri, 18 Apr 2014 20:19:29 GMT

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Yes, the links of google search.

I'm not sure that the redirection works well: There is a brief message and we arrive on the forum index, where we are obliged to do a new search, not being sure to retrieve the same...

So, for now, I right click the google link, choose "copy the address of the link", paste it in the address field of my browser and add the missing "s" to go directly where the link points.

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by Klugier on Mon, 21 Apr 2014 13:58:40 GMT

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Hello,

I noticed that almost evry Ultimate++ pages cannot fully loaded.

My Firefox says that I am connecting with vol.cz. You will need to wait about 4-5 moinutes to establish this connection.

Sincerely,

Klugier

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by Klugier on Tue, 29 Apr 2014 18:50:53 GMT

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Hello one more time:),

In my opinion Ultimate++ website should also contains shortcut icon based on TheIDE logo.

HTML code example:

k rel="shortcut icon" type="image/png" href="FavIcon.png">

Sincerely, Klugier

Subject: Re: Forum upgraded to 3.0.5

Posted by mirek on Fri, 02 May 2014 05:51:20 GMT

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koldo wrote on Tue, 08 April 2014 08:08Hello Mirek

True. Spammers seem to be radically stopped:).

About the members, please check here.

This is the members list from just one year on. Everybody have sent a post. All members that have not sent any post do not appear.

Well, there actually seems to be a new problem: while we are not having any spam in the forum, more than 100 new users get registred, obviously with some spam-bot, each day.

I am afraid that we will have to delete inactive users regularly...: ((Thanksfully, forum as a function for that).

Mirek

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Posted by koldo on Fri, 02 May 2014 06:34:01 GMT

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MirekPerfect!