
Subject: Re: spam is destroying this group

Posted by [Wayne Landsman](#) on Tue, 26 Dec 2017 19:23:57 GMT

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Nikola, thanks for the offer. I have delayed trying to get a moderated newsgroup for reasons I will explain in a subsequent post.

Meanwhile, those with access to Mozilla Thunderbird can use their news reader capability to eliminate most spam. I use the server nntp.aioe.org. I then have access to the usual mail filters to eliminate certain users ("asmagan" "soma") or common keywords in spam headers. I find that I can eliminate 95% of the spam with five filters, and the rest are permanently deleted with a single click.

Unfortunately, most mail systems (e.g. Outlook, Apple mail) do not offer access to news readers so this is not a general solution.

--Wayne

On 12/15/2017 05:55 AM, Nikola Vitas wrote:

> On Monday, December 11, 2017 at 3:58:15 PM UTC, wlandsman wrote:

>> On Monday, December 11, 2017 at 7:34:25 AM UTC-5, superchromix wrote:

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>>> Why not also inquire about switching this group to "moderated"? The value of this newsgroup is the accumulated history of the messages.

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>> Yes, it would be ideal to keep the same name. I have read that this is difficult because individual Usenet servers would need to be updated to identify the group as moderated, and spam could still get through on those servers that are not updated. But I have asked if this is possible on

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>> [news.announce.newgroups](#)

>> [news.groups.proposals](#)

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>> --Wayne

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> If you still need someone to moderate the new list, I'd be happy to help. I'm in UTC+0.

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> Is there a way to archive the history of this group? I found a couple of tips around, but haven't tried any of these. For example:

> <https://stackoverflow.com/questions/23522705/download-all-messages-from-a-google-group>

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> Best,

> Nikola

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