
New Site

Posted by Bert - 2004/07/29 22:53

Thought I'd start a new thread as I'm so tired I can't find the old one.....

A bit more success tonight....

I've can transfer all the comments across and assign them to the right stories !

I've changed the script so that forum posts transferred get the bbcode removed - they look ok to me so far.

The script now also puts peoples usernames into the name field if it was previously blank.

all private messages can now be transferred.

Still plenty to do - Jose is right the graphics need some work but currently I'm concentrating on content - you can't display it nicely if it's not there.....

night night

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Posted by Bert - 2004/08/03 22:16

Hi again guys.

please read through to the end.....

got a bit lost with what needed doing - mainly due to very erratic personal life - Sorry !! with that said I may as well expand and say that personally life is a bit hectic at the moment so beware/patient

so I wrote a quick excel spreadsheet (seemed like the neatest layout) to briefly sum up where I'm at with it all.

I'll put it in the downloads section.

I might protect it but don't honestly see the need.

tonight I wrote two modules to display the most popular and latest links for the new site.

I'm thinking about some other big changes as well.....

Some time ago I bought a large chunk of webspace as the current hosts charged money for each domain even though some were very small etc.. and they weren't/aren't very flexible or supportive.

so I am thinking of carrying out my original intention of moving iwindsurf to a new host (tremble tremble....)

I won't do this without everyone's support - so here's what it might entail.....

To change the server details of your domain takes (on average) 48hrs. In that time there's no guarantee whether a visitor will be delivered to the old or new site (think of updating internet telephone directories) so I would likely - warn everyone well in advance, put up exactly the same holding page on new and old sites, wait 1 or 2 days, start new site and alter holding page on old site to redirect to IP address of new site.

Total damage = two days (weekend ?) down on site.

Other major impact - all persons with mailboxes lose current content - personally I think this shouldn't be an issue with sufficient warning.

(person with largest inbox currently is Ernie - I'll sort him out.....)

Just as before it's vital we preview the site and test - in coincidence I bought iwindsurf.info & iwindsurf.biz - I can easily set these up as new sites on the new server and practice the transfer. (I can password protect the test)

Thoughts/input appreciated.

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Posted by Bert - 2004/08/09 22:29

No comments about moving servers ?

okey dokey....

Made a module last night to look at recent reviews.

Also made some changes to the reviews layout - wasn't as easy as I thought mainly because the guy who programmed it is french - The main code is the same but when he's named variables they're french - titre, auteur etc....

Still some tidying up of that module to do, and th ertest of the to-do list of course

before i go to bed I'll also have a quick alteration of the two main blocks, forums last 5 posts and last ads so they look similar and better....

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Posted by Bert - 2004/08/17 09:44

Last night I changed the theme so that it's variable width.

I need to change the graphics - I did the front page one but not the others.

I also updated to the newest version of Mambo just released - nice.

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