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Thread: [A suggestion to group owners](#)

wellager - January 8, 2016, 1:56 pm

Remove the userbars from your group for an indefinite amount of time

Then open recruitment threads. Any group that wants serious members truly interested in its field of expertise should do that in my opinion, filters out the children craving for some acceptance

Hexicidal - January 8, 2016, 1:58 pm

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wellager - January 8, 2016, 1:59 pm

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I-it's not like I applied to dozens of groups to get flashy userbars, circlejerking and the impression I actually matter, you idiot!

Remix - January 8, 2016, 2:01 pm

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wellager - January 8, 2016, 2:03 pm

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Scymo - January 8, 2016, 2:04 pm

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I'm 14.

Are you calling me a brain-dead 'tard?

Windows95 - January 8, 2016, 2:10 pm

I don't think group owners wanna pay ~8k+ and not have a userbar. Actually that's the ONLY real reason they pretty much buy, otherwise they could make an unofficial group.

minimalist - January 8, 2016, 2:11 pm

groups are only for people to gather around a topic to jerk off to and flash their userbars, you are clearly mistaken.

Narrate - January 8, 2016, 2:12 pm

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Alice Dee - January 8, 2016, 2:19 pm

I truly support this.

Maybe group owners could start an unofficial group, which would keep away the userbar whores. Open a recruitment thread for the unofficial group, and whoever is accepted and participates in the unofficial group can be added to the normal group.

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Probably not quite that responsible...

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That's a piss poor rebuttal. Don't insult me by wasting my time, if you're going to say something let it be meaningful

Zexo - January 8, 2016, 2:23 pm

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Packets395 - January 8, 2016, 2:23 pm

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Well, removing userbars is a way of improving groups if you ask me

I mean hey, if you want your group to be crap, sure, that's fine by everyone

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Ninetales. - January 8, 2016, 2:27 pm

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That's avoiding the point of this thread. I couldn't care less if some money-hungry adult who's too high and mighty to make a living like a man and needs to sell cheap buy-in spots that actually mean nothing to those who do buy in, most of the time, but a userbar. Such a reasoning cannot be applied to HF because it's a massive forum that generates income and gives knowledge to a lot of people

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Thank you ninetales, I hope these mean group leaders will see the truth!!!!

Loki123 - January 8, 2016, 4:34 pm

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Nex+ - January 8, 2016, 8:56 pm

Interesting idea, I feel as if they would still join though knowing a userbar would be coming eventually

Tyranus. - January 8, 2016, 9:07 pm

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Raptor. - January 8, 2016, 9:14 pm

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No, and if there is please don't invite me.

wander is a multi dwc - January 8, 2016, 10:06 pm

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Cryptic™ - January 8, 2016, 10:10 pm

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Yeah mine was known as BLANK in all caps for like 2 hours.

Viktory - January 9, 2016, 2:08 am

Another tip, if you are looking for programmers or hackers who actually know what they're doing, you should probably scour the relevant subforums for such people. Most don't bother opening this part of the website. People who post in these recruitment are bullshitting 9 of 10 times.

The extra effort would be pretty worth it if you've got something good planned.

Another tip, don't outsource the purpose of the group to the community. If you don't have clear

vision of what you want to do with your investment you might as well kiss your time goodbye.

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Sorry, I don't really accept being looked down on people who shit out of their mouths (or keyboards)-- if you want to say it's stupid, at least say WHY. It's theoretically a pretty good idea, and even if you don't want to take it seriously, someone having to do a post like this is a clear indicator of the sheer amount of ub whores roaming around. Why are you putting a group leader's lack of ability on me?

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I would love to join your group.
Your avatar shall be my inspiration!

OT- I like the idea but at the same time it'll make HF look bland and boring.

neightworks - January 9, 2016, 3:17 am

This is like asking a country to remove their flag.

Although no userbar would be better than the shitty selection now.

Can we get a no userbar option?

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