Forum:Hack Forums

Thread: HF Mobile Search button

Biggy - *April 19, 2019, 2:53 pm*
In the beginning of the mobile theme, the search button at the top used to direct you to “View new posts”, however it was changed to an actual search.php, I was wondering if there’s any way we can set it back to view new posts? I personally browse HF from my phone a decent amount, and it gets pretty tedious to have to click the drop down menu, another option, then view new posts.

Yes, I know we’re only talking about a couple of clicks here but I just figure for the average user it’d be more beneficial to have it that way.

Or, alternatively, if this button was customizable for the user to change it to view new posts? Not sure if that’s even possible but it’d help.

Omniscient - *April 19, 2019, 3:41 pm*
I'll think about how this can be changed.

BTC - *April 19, 2019, 3:47 pm*
Even adding to the footer menu could work for me. Not sure the aesthetics but it could work.

Im a mobile user as well, and constantly am clicking to view new posts.

Never been an issue for me but I can see how it might be tedious for others

Biggy - *March 3, 2025, 8:12 am*
(Apr 19, 2019 03:41 PM)Omniscient Wrote: *[CITE]* I'll think about how this can be changed.
I know it’s been awhile since this (Jesus, 6 years already?) but what do you think about altering the search button on mobile to be View New Posts instead?

Maybe I’m just a lazy shithead, but I feel like having View New Posts there makes more sense for a new user, or regular mobile users attempting to browse the forum.

Currently you have to click 3 separate areas to view new posts on mobile.

Omniscient - *March 3, 2025, 12:08 pm*
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I think the latter is perfect. Drop down with new posts and search.

Omniscient - *March 3, 2025, 12:45 pm*
Done. What do you think?

Biggy - *March 3, 2025, 12:47 pm*
(Mar 3, 2025 01:45 PM)Omniscient Wrote: *[CITE]* Done. What do you think?
Amazing. Already feels so much easier.

Love the touch of adding “Your Threads” and “Your Posts” to it as well.

Nicely done and appreciate it.

Omniscient - *March 3, 2025, 12:48 pm*
Still tweaking it some. Should have done this years ago. It's way better this way.

Omniscient - *March 3, 2025, 1:21 pm*
(Mar 3, 2025 02:09 PM)Virulent Wrote: *[CITE]* Much better this way. Would love to see a few more mobile enhancements (namely being able to see the right side of the page xD) and I'd drastically increase away-from-home browsing.
If you're not viewing the size correctly, that's your device or settings.

What screen size do you have, which browser do you use? What's the device (iOS or Android)? And what's your resolution set to? Any custom font size or screen size adjustments?

This is how I see HF on my smart phone.

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Omniscient - *March 3, 2025, 2:23 pm*
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Here is what mines looks like:

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For reference, I am on iPhone 16 Pro Max using Safari web browser and in Mobile browsing mode.

I see his point with missing the right side, I feel that was as well. But squeezing all that into a mobile view will look a little rough, especially for those that may have smaller mobile screen devices.

I've been trying to brain storm a solution but can't think of one. Best I thought of was maybe adding "Last Post By: <member> in a small text box to the right of thread title. I feel as though adding anything else, like thread views, will make everything crammed together.

TBH, I think it mainly feels like something is "missing" because we are so used to browsing on desktops. So when we're browsing on mobile, we know there's a piece of HF that's over on the right but we can't see it. Meh, either way doesn't affect too much of the browsing experience and I don't feel like I'm missing out on much. Nice to have, fine without.

Omniscient - *March 4, 2025, 7:44 am*

(Mar 3, 2025 02:32 PM)Virulent Wrote: *[CITE]* The content inside threads and profile postbits look great like in your pictures, but when I'm actually browsing the forums, all I see (iOS, new iPhone, all bone stock Chrome & Safari) are the thread titles and # of replies, I can't scroll or slide the page over to see the "last post" info to see the date. Maybe this is by design and it's me being neurotic but after all the years of desktop browsing it's just something my brain expects to see for that at-a-glance assessment.

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This is a good representation of what I see, so every thread I'm always going in on page 1 not the newest post.
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He B TeMy - *March 4, 2025, 10:50 am*

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I thought they wanted the "date" part of the page to be visible in portrait.
The print i sent is the view you get, un-zoomed and you cannot scroll to the left/right.

Maybe i misunderstood, but i think that's what he was saying.

just trying to help, for me i almost 100% use the PC.

Epic - *March 4, 2025, 11:24 am*

I don't really know if I'm following the thread right, but I have never been able to see the far right side on mobile. I've only used android devices, no iPhones.

New search button is nice btw.

Epic - *March 4, 2025, 11:50 am*

(Mar 4, 2025 12:39 PM)Virulent Wrote: *[CITE]* Yes totally the issue I'm describing - it's just always been like this. I've avoided mobile this entire time for this reason lol. Everything else in it looks GREAT!
I agree, when I first started using it last year I was very impressed with the functionality of the site on mobile devices. Big tech should take notes.

Omniscient - *March 4, 2025, 2:04 pm*
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I am saying it's suppose to be that way. If they see the Last Post column in mobile view, something is wrong.

Pr0m3th3us - *March 5, 2025, 5:30 am*
Awesome edition/change. Now I have to get used to it being there lol

Omniscient - *March 5, 2025, 9:26 am*
(Mar 4, 2025 09:08 PM)Virulent Wrote: *[CITE]* Oh... Okay then, sorry for confusion as that was my complaint. (I see now what you were thinking I meant about margins after looking at other screenshots) After clicking that "last post" breadcrumb 100,000 times on desktop, it's kind of the only way I know how to enter a thread lol. I hit new threads by clicking their thread title in "New Posts" or "New Threads" but when browsing around inside the forums, that "last post" info and hotlink are critical (to me) for getting information about the thread I've already read the OP of, and jumping to the most relevant point of discussion if it's already ongoing.
On mobile indeed the Last Post column is removed. But thinking on that, some icon link to the last post might make sense.

Omniscient - *March 5, 2025, 10:56 am*
(Mar 5, 2025 11:44 AM)Virulent Wrote: *[CITE]* Yes that little breadcrumb in any fashion so we don’t start on page 1 post 1 every time we click into the thread, that would be a big mobile improvement imo.
You can click the page numbers too though, that's there. Not hard to click the last page number on the list. But I think adding an icon there for the actual "last post" link may work.