
Subject: Re: The Pointsfix and the Game Listings
Posted by [Spoony](#) on Wed, 07 Oct 2009 23:20:34 GMT
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PapaElbo wrote on Wed, 07 October 2009 18:16 Becasue TT is a community built patch and requires almost 100% community support before EA or whoever runs the show, can ever allow it to become a compulsory patch available through the XWIS patcher.

If you went and made every single change mandatory (and im talking about the things that affect established gameplay), for example, the pointsfix, the community split would make TT as a compulsory and automatically downloaded patch impossible, and therefore obsolete.

Therefore, you HAVE TO compromise or the project fails.

Untrue. Firstly, we've already gotten that from EA. Secondly, the number of people who vehemently oppose the pointsfix is actually a very small minority. Sure it's a majority over at JELLY, but in the whole of Renegade, it's a definite minority.

If we included the pointsfix in the patch on a compulsory basis, it would actually be very easy to convince EA that it was a good idea. I've made patches for EA games before. We gave you everything you wanted about the pointsfix because we chose to, not because we thought we had to.

PapaElbo wrote on Wed, 07 October 2009 18:16 That is the fundamental flaw in your comparison with this Jelly A00 nick issue. Jelly has no compulsion (or responsibility) to provide support to other communities or give up his competitive advantage. You have projected this responsibility onto Jelly but i would say it was never his.

The only reason why comparing TT to Jelly is invalid is because TT's authority to patch the game was actually earned through years of work on the game and persuasion to EA, eventually gaining their approval. Jelly's "authority" comes from snapping up the names probably a minute before someone else was trying to do the same.

PapaElbo wrote on Wed, 07 October 2009 18:16 Goading people into an emotional outburst seems to be your fort  . Can you really expect a professional, thought out, meaningful response to EVERY subject you seem to be a part of. Considering the tone (and length) of your original post, i wouldnt have expected less.

My post was orders of magnitude more civilised than a great many posts criticising the pointsfix. Presumably, then, you think it would be justified for TT to reply to them saying "fuck off, there's nothing you can do about it"? You wouldn't have expected less, eh?

PapaElbo wrote on Wed, 07 October 2009 18:16 But now you have changed the goalposts with your threats to approach Olaf/EA so you will get your professional response and i see, even the promise of a compromise from Jelly for your own benefit.

Threats to approach Olaf and EA. Well. First I tried reasoning with him, and was told: "fuck off, there's nothing you can do about it, we got there first". I am interested to know where Olaf and EA stand on this. Perhaps, and here's a crazy thought, the name registration procedure was designed simply for people to register their own personal names, since there's actually a limit in place, NOT to register so many server names that you control all the servers you see when you log on to Renegade.

As for the promise of a compromise, initially I was told to "fuck off", of course. I still haven't seen Jelly budge an inch, and he's actually now said he isn't going to deal with me "anymore" (!?) because I caught him in a lie (when he said "spoony's only saying this because we took the pointsfix off... which was rather easily disproven, although it seems like most of the jelly community still believes it)

PapaElbo wrote on Wed, 07 October 2009 18:16 And how he sees fit, from what i can see, is to provide some of the best run forums as well as several well maintained servers and most importantly, the most cohesive, warm, friendly, fun and inclusive community i have ever been a part of. This doesnt even mention the wider community aspect in initiating and hosting regular and successful inter-community matches.

If this were true, one would think you wouldn't need any a00 names at all?

As for the most warm and friendly and inclusive community... please.

PapaElbo wrote on Wed, 07 October 2009 18:16 If that doesnt convince you, then how about the fact the server nick is meaningless under scripts 3.4.4 and also the TT patch? Both sort the servers by player count and not the server nick. Unless of course, you know somethig we dont? On the contrary. it seems that others know something I don't, because I've asked several times for an EXACT explanation of how this will work, and still not been answered.

PapaElbo wrote on Wed, 07 October 2009 18:16 spoony wrote on Wed, 07 October 2009 15:43 and maybe we should ban you for giving your opinion at all.

Of course you are not going to get banned. But people do feel strongly about how you are conducting yourself in these forums and on others whilst still pertaining to be a part of this community.

That's interesting, because I didn't see a WORD of condemnation against... for example... clearshot. But the person he was so ruthlessly and dishonestly attacking was spoony, so that's not a problem, right?

PapaElbo wrote on Wed, 07 October 2009 18:16 If you want to be a part of a community, then be a part of it. Not constantly creating or provoking heated arguments and endlessly one-sided debates on non-issues or things that are already resolved.

If you actually read the debates, you'll see my level of logical debate and civility is usually several orders of magnitude higher than my opposition, and yet the most civilised party draws the most contempt.

Roni wrote He has never been difficult or has anyone ever felt he was monopolizing the A00 names.

Untrue. You think I'm the first person to criticise Jelly's monopoly? A few years ago I actually tried to act as a neutral mediator between Jelly and the people criticising him, and I actually said a lot in Jelly's defence.

Roni wrote He let's the mods and admins run the servers the way the majority like it. This is one of the reasons his community is still going strong and continues to get donations from its members. He is wise enough to know that there are several diffent styles of gameplay so he started J1, J2,

Mini, Marathon and so forth. He has given everyone an opportunity to play on different servers to see if they like the game play or not. I see nothing wrong with this.
You're saying he keeps his own internal community happy. Great. I'm happy for you. Back to the original question. Why does he need all the A00 names again?

Roni wrote You say the communities are upset at his monopoly of the A00 names? Please name those communities? The only threads about people not liking this to my knowledge, are the ones you have personally started.
See above.

Roni wrote The problem started when TT or someone from TT said the point fix was going to be mandatory. You say TT has gone to great lengths to listen to the majority of people who stated they did not want the point fix and after numerous threads, posts and even in my old community that I started we put up an anti point fix petition which had about 100 signatures from the MCD community and several other communities who felt the point fix should not be mandatory. I venture to say if the point fix was mandatory and we sent those names and started a new petition to EA there would be some second thoughts about what the majority of regular players wanted... For starters, they'd have laughed at the idea that 100 is a majority. Secondly, it would have been a simple matter to simply point out to EA the way the people on the anti-pointsfix side were actually behaving. No, Roni. We made the pointsfix optional because we chose to. We didn't do it because we thought we had to. We were simply "being the better man". We suggested several compromises, all of which you violently rejected, and we just thought: fuck it, keep your stupid bugged flawed system for all we care. Of course that wasn't enough for the anti-pointsfix crowd (as I predicted it wouldn't be) - they also said I should not be able to choose to use the pointsfix in my own community (if you remember, you supported the saboteurs who subverted the admin's decisions through a campaign of lies, manipulation and rigged polls, instead of supporting the league owner's right to decide how to run his own league)

Roni wrote You truly believe in the point fix and 50% or more regular players don't believe in it. It's a matter of choice. Please understand this. Right, wrong or indifferent people still have a choice. Um, this might be a good time to say for the thousandth time that we're all fine with you using the pointsbug in your own community, even if you're not fine with me using the pointsfix in mine.

Roni wrote I have offered up my A00000000 name to you for sale or for rent and you said I was less than honest. Sure 10,000 is a lot but you know I would rent it to you for a reasonable price. I truly would sell it to you. This way you can get a name on top with the point fix but with the new scripts and TT patch the host names become useless and it is by player counts anyways. Firstly, you're still under the impression that I only want a server up there with the pointsfix. Well, of course you are... Jelly lied to you and you believed him. No. If you actually read what I said, you'll see I'm criticising the fact he has a monopoly on the advanced game listings, NOT saying "but I want an A00 name and then I'll be happy"

Secondly, it is in my mind to ask you how you would react if, when you said the pointsfix should be optional, TT said "what's it worth to you?"

Roni wrote In conclusion, I feel, you have personally tried to demonize Jelly for having the A00 names. Yes, Spoony you have done this and I hope you are willing to accept that fact and apologize to him. People from the Jelly community like him, will defend him and as you can see by

the majority of replies they do not like you for trying to demonize a guy (Jelly)
Firstly it's categorically false. Jelly says this because he thinks it'll mean he doesn't have to respond to what I'm saying. I didn't attack him personally, I attacked his claim to authority.

Secondly, your community over at Jelly is full of people - including many moderators and admins - who CONTINUALLY attack demonise ME simply because they disagree with what I say about the pointsfix etc. Including you, remember. You treated me appallingly.

Roni wroteHave you thought maybe, just maybe, that it is not one isolated person but when the majority of responses to your threads are from people who think you are arrogant and disprectful? Please read your responses when someone disagrees with you and they always start with someone is lying and you are always right.

Bit of a self-defeating argument here, because you did just lie.

"Please read your responses when someone disagrees with you and they always start with someone is lying and you are always right."

Utterly untrue. Go check the "thoughts on the ladder" thread. I give you hockey6v2 or w.e his name is. my responses to him are polite and civilised. i don't flame him, i just respond to what he says about the pointsfix.

so why's he the odd one out? go on, guess. if you can't, i'll tell you.

Roni wroteSpoony you and I go back a long time and we have differed on a few things, but primarily it being the Point fix. I hope you take it in the spirit I am sending this. I still consider you a friend and respect alot of things you have done for the Ren community. I just don't agree with the way you are going about doing some things that is all. To all I am sorry for the long post. You don't agree with me criticising Jelly's monopoly on the game listings?

You'd do something different?

OK. You disagreed with the perceived notion that I wanted to force the pointsfix onto all servers (untrue, but never mind that for now). What did you do? Make a petition aim it at EA. You didn't aim it at TT or me... you aimed it at EA.

I, on the other hand, have actually tried talking about this with Jelly. I only mentioned the possibility of going over his head (as you thought to do with the pointsfix) AFTER he told me to fuck off.
