Subject: Re: spoony

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Our KOSs2-server was running on a dedi managed by the BlackIntel dudes. All credit goes to them . They actually firgured the SFPS-problem out back in what... 2009? ... it was mostly caused by slow hard disk writing because of the huge amount of logs that the bots back then needed to write.

The solution was double:

- * BI wrote their own bot which didn't need to write logs but kept the logs in memory. We also admin'ed our own IRC server, on which the bot had Superadmin status so it could keep spitting out information like there's no tomorrow. Without this status, the bot would wait for 1 sec between each line, otherwise it would be kicked for spamming. This bot didn't have all features, so we kept brenbot running with limited features (those not included in BI-bot). BI-bot also included BIATCH long before its public release, which helped us expose some cheaters
- * BI used very fast writing hard disk drives. This was before SSD-drives, can't remember the exact name, I'm not so familiar with hardware

We had a steady SFPS and very little lag. The European players got very low ping. Later we moved our server from Holland to Norway and ping generally went up but the server staid quite stable.

EWD and Stealtheye were long ahead of their time in Ren. We helped keeping the money flowing (bandwith was more expensive back then) and the player activity. It did drop quite a bit when Jelly took our a00-name off because I had criticized some of his moderator choices when one of our clan members got kicked... Good ol' Rene drama...

For general info, we actually bought the dedi instead of renting it, which was a nice investment but we were cost efficient in less than a year, I think.

I do wonder what happened to Spoony. I respected him a lot back in the days, I hope he fares well now.