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Subject: Re: Poll: Should JohnDoe be banned?

Posted by [bigejoe14](#) on Tue, 20 Mar 2007 01:40:47 GMT

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icedog90 wrote on Mon, 19 March 2007 18:17 It is our job to moderate this forum, but we can't do it 24/7. There is no way I can do that; I have school, I have a job, and I have a life. I try to catch as much as I can, and it still isn't enough.

You're right. You can't handle every situation in every forum 24/7, but you need to actually handle situations that need your attention whenever possible. No ones asking you to perform a miracle and make this your day job. Being a moderator requires you to do more than just move threads to the appropriate forum.

Quote:If what you said is true, then why is the report button there in the first place? This forum is a community, not some nation governed by a ruler. Everyone should help each other. If you see a destructive post that really bothers you, and instead of reporting it you think "the moderator has to see it and take care of it, I shouldn't even need to press this button", then why do you even visit these forums? Do you even care?

That's the point of every online forum. A forum is a small or large community of people working in the same interests as everyone else. It's the members jobs to help the community grow and be prosperous, but it's the moderators job to actually handle all of the dirty work of eliminating the trolls and keeping the forums clean of worthless crap posts, so that the forum mebers can actually do what they do best, be a part of a community. If the majority of community members feel that someone on the forums is acting totally out of line, then it's their right to bring it to the attention of the forum moderators and administrators so they can deal with the issues themselves and settle on an agreement as to what needs to be done.

If people are willing enough to take the initiative to start a poll to gather punblic opinion as to whether or not a destructive member should be banned, then it shows that people actually do care. They want to help make the forums a better place for all. Members, moderators, and administrators included.

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