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- *From:* Joe G <JoeG@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>
 - *Date:* Fri, 1 Dec 2006 09:48:00 -0800
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All,

Thank you for allowing me to hop onto this thread. I have never before used this type of forum, and hope that I have not been out of line. I realize now that I probably should have created a new question rather than jump into Bruce's discussion.

I am in a deep bind here, and need to resolve this security issue. If anyone can point me in the right direction here, with regard to how I might resolve this in the most expeditious way possible, I would be most grateful.

In all of my reading thus far, I have yet to see how to resolve this. I have a security.mdw that for some reason is not allowing me access to my mdb at all.

Thanks in advance,

Joe

"Lynn Trapp" wrote:

Bruce,
Actually, Joe G interjected his question into your original thread and all the posts between he and Joan were not showing up yesterday. They are all appearing today. Some problem with the synchronization on the servers.

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Lynn Trapp
Microsoft MVP (Access)
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"BruceM" <bamoob@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
[news:O0tf\\$CMFHHA.1080@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](news:O0tf$CMFHHA.1080@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)

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Joan,

This response showed up in a different thread than the one in which you intended to post it.

"Joan Wild" <jwild@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
news:BF752029-7556-4CDA-B016-82C46C303B64@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

You shouldn't be logging in as Admin, since that user doesn't (shouldn't) have permissions to do anything. You just wanted to set a password for this user so that the login dialog would appear.

You now want to log in as the user that owns the database.

Usernames/passwords/group membership are stored in the mdw. Permissions are stored in the mdb. So your various backups may have different permissions on the objects.

No I am not an employee of MS.

--

Joan Wild
Microsoft Access MVP

"Joe G" wrote:

Double checked the case sensitivity...none of the backups are working.

I

don't get the permissions tab enabled, even though I log in as Admin.

Are the user names stored in the MDB or the MDW ? All of my backups at this

point had been using the same security MDW. I am assuming that this MDW is

the correct one because I see users listed.

Are you an employee of Microsoft, Joan ?

I am relatively new to MS Access. I have been developing with

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PowerBuilder
for the last ten plus years. Again. Appreciate
the help.

Joe

"Joan Wild" wrote:

Remember that passwords
are case sensitive.

Since this started when you
restored a backup, perhaps
that backup
doesn't
have the permissions set
correctly. When you check
the owner tab in
the
permissions dialog, what
user is listed as owner of
everything?

--

Joan Wild
Microsoft Access MVP

"Joe G" wrote:

OK.
Changed
the
password
for admin,
but then get
the same
message
that I
don't have
the
necessary
permissions.
Cannot
change the
password
for user
Joe, who
also had

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admin
rights when
I created the
secured
database.
His
password is
not blank
nor is it
what I
thought it
was.

"Joan Wild"
wrote:

OK,
so
you
know
you
are
using
security.mdw,
but
you
get
no
login.
That
means
that
the
Admin
password
is
currently
blank.
Go
into
the
Accounts
dialog
and
change
password
tab.
Set
a
password

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for
the
Admin
user
(remember
that
the
old
password
is
blank).

Close
Access
and
try
your
shortcut
again.

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Joan
Wild
Microsoft
Access
MVP

"Joe
G"
wrote:

Joan,
I
mis-stated
one
thing
below.
My
MDB
is
BladeRunner.MDB
which
is
in
a
directory
under
MyDocuments\BladeRunner.
The
security

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file
is
Security.mdw
and
there
is
a
Security.ldb
all
in
the
same
directory.

I
created
a
shortcut
but
when
I
launch,
I
get
the
same
permission
message.

I
am
by
default
using
the
secured
mdw:

?
dbEngine.SystemDb
C:\Documents
and
Settings\Joe\My
Documents\BladeRunner\Security.mdw

I
am
still
not
prompted
for
a

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password,
but
appear
to
be
logged
on
as
Admin.
I
cannot
change
the
admin
password,
and
it
tells
me
that
the
old
password
is
incorrect.
I
see
the
users
that
I
created,
but
cannot
change
those
passwords
or
get
prompted
to
log
in.

I
am
sure
confused
and
getting
nervous

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about
this...I
have
invested
a
large
chunk
of
time
in
this
development
effort,
and
sure
hope
you
can
help
me
understand
what
I've
done
here.
Thanks
again
for
your
help.

Joe

"Joan
Wild"
wrote:

"Joe
G"
wrote:

Hello
Joan
!

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I
have
an
MDB
file
that
I
secured
a
few
weeks
back
which
was
working
fine.
I
did
something
yesterday
when
I
unzipped
a
backup
copy
of
the
database
(although
I
unzipped
it
to
a
different
directory)
that
has
caused
me
problems.

I
have
an
MDW
file
of
the
same

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name
as
the
MDB,
residing
in
the
same
directory.

That's
not
a
good
idea.
Both
the
mdb
and
the
mdw
need
to
create
an
associated
ldb
file.
They
can't
if
they
have
the
same
name.
Rename
the
mdw
file
(and
then
modify
any
shortcuts
as
necessary).

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I
join
the
workgroup
for
the
MDB
–
which
has
the
two
users
that
I
created
when
I
secured
the
database,
but
when
I
try
to
open
the
database,
I
get
the
message
about
not
having
the
necessary
permission
and
to
contact
the
system
admin.

Are
you
certain
you

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have
joined
the
correct
mdw
file?

I
am
thinking
that
I
am
logged
in
as
the
universal
admin
(since
I
am
not
prompted
for
a
password)
and
am
wondering
how
I
go
about
trying
to
log
in
as
the
user
I
had
created
when
I
secured
the
database
who

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has
amin
permissions.
I
am
not
being
prompted
to
log
in
as
I
used
to
be.

When
you
open
Access,
go
to
Workgroup
Administrator
and
verify
the
mdw
you
are
using
by
default.
It
should
be
the
standard
system.mdw
that
ships
with
Access.
Use
a
desktop
shortcut
to
launch

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your
secure
mdb.
"path
to
msaccess.exe"
"path
to
mdb"
/wrkgrp
"path
to
mdw"

When
you
launch
via
the
shortcut,
you
should
get
a
login
prompt.
If
you
don't
then
perhaps
you've
somehow
cleared
the
password
for
the
'Admin'
user
or
your
shortcut
has
a
problem,
in
which
case
it
will

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use
system.mdw.
In
either
case
hit
Ctrl-G
and
type
DbEngine.SystemDB
which
will
tell
you
the
mdw
it
is
using.

If
it
is
your
secure
mdw
then
go
to
Tools,
security,
accounts,
password
tab
-
it
will
show
you
that
you
are
logged
in
as
Admin
-
set
a
password
for

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this
user.

If
it
is
the
system.mdw
then
your
shortcut
has
an
error
in
it.

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