

## Re: User Accounts

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I am well aware that I caused this "mess". My "babbling" was an effort to make things clear. I don't have an Administrator or Guest Acct in My Computer. I have some knowledge of the registry & have made changes in the past. However, you are right, I am not "computer savey" enough to make the changes you are suggesting. I will continue to research. I am just having a hard time understanding the whole XP concept with User Accounts. Thank you.

"<Â©Â¿Â©>" wrote:

- > You are babbling around a mess that you have created...
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- > The only thing that counts is what is in "Local Users and Groups" >
- > "Users"...that can be gotten to by right clicking on "My Computer", either
- > on your desktop or in the start menu. Clean that up...ie delete all, except
- > the administrator and the guest account.
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- > Next cleanup the registry...all of your past a present users are there under
- > HKEY\_LOCAL\_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows
- > NT\CurrentVersion\ProfileList\... the S-1-5-18, S-1-5-19 and S-1-5-20
- > accounts are needed for windows to work, so do not touch them. The
- > S-1-5-21-xxxxxxx-xxxxxxx-xxxxxxx-xxx accounts are the ones listed in
- > CP or deleted accounts. You have one of two choices here...because I am
- > explaining this to you, I suggest that you delete the whole S-1-5-21-...
- > folders, except the administrator account, and start all over again. The
- > other option is to edit the information here to what you want it to be...I
- > don't think that you have the computer savey to accomplish this option, that
- > is why I suggested the former.
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- > As Confusion say..."Rots of Ruck!"
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