

## Re: MMC and Other Admin Functions don't run

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Hi Wesley,

First of all, I want to thank you very much for taking so much time to help me with this problem! I really do appreciate it.

The first thing that I tried to do was to reinstall srchasst.inf. (This was before we knew the extent of the problem). That didn't change a thing. I told him to use "file finder" because I couldn't figure out the problem.

The next link that you listed, (Microsoft) with the "cannot open <Snap-in Name>" is the first place that I found with a search of the direct error message. The work-around for this is to TURN ON the offline files feature. I didn't understand what that could have to do with not being able to run any Microsoft Console programs, defrag, device manager, etc, but I did it anyway. Rebooted afterward, but still no difference.

I not seen the second Microsoft link where "SNap in failed to initialize", but I went directly there after reading your post. My error does not give me a CLSID. I couldn't follow the resolution to the LETTER though, because when I run MMC, I get the error and hitting OK does nothing. I can go to SYSTEM32 though and open MMC.EXE to get a CONSOLE. So I tried adding some things manually to the console to see if that would work. Rebooted his pc after doing that, but still they are broken. :(

The 3rd Microsoft link, I had also not found, but again, the message is different. I know enough to know that nothing is constant, so I looked in his Environment Variables section. He did NOT have that line, (%SystemRoot%\system32;%SystemRoot%;%SystemRoot%\system32\WBEM) in his PATH statement so I added it. Rebooted (to be sure) and still nothing has changed.... :(

I am getting to think that nothing is going to fix his PC. He also told me that he had tried XP's version of SFC /restore the other day and even THAT didn't work.

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I am going to give you the exact error that I got just now trying to open up SERVICES:

MMC cannot open the file C:\WINDOWS\system32\services.msc. This may be because the file does not exist, is not an MMC console, or was created by a later version of MMC. This may also be because you do not have sufficient access rights to the file.

It is not rights. We both have FULL rights on that pc and always have had.

Oh well..... Again, I appreciate your taking your time help Wesley!!!

Cheryl

Wesley Vogel Wrote:

- > <http://www.kellys-korner-xp.com/top10faqs.htm>
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- > scroll down to and Click on the ? Icon to Expand
- > Why doesn't Search work?
- > See...
- > Error: "A file that is required to run Search Companion cannot be
- > found. You
- > may need to run setup".
- > -----
- >
- > You receive a "Cannot open <Snap-in Name>" error message when you try
- > to
- > start MMC on a Windows XP-based computer
- > <http://support.microsoft.com/?kbid=326574>
- >
- > Error Message "Snap-in Failed to Initialize" When You Use Microsoft
- > Management Console
- > <http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb;en-us;297064>
- >
- > "Snap-in Failed to Initialize" Error Message When You Open Microsoft
- > Management Console
- > <http://tinyurl.com/chae3>
- >
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- > Hope this helps. Let us know.
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> MS-MVP Windows Shell/User

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