

Re: How to change home page?

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Disable Ad-Watch: <http://www.javasoftsupport.com/lofiversion/index.php/t12393.html>

Disable Spybot Tea Timer: <http://aumha.net/viewtopic.php?t=32409>

Change the homepage.

~Robear Dyer (PA Bear)

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AumHa VSOP & Admin <http://aumha.net>

DTS-L <http://dts-l.net/>

Sudy Nim wrote:

Hi David Morgan & Don,

In the hopes of reducing confusion I'll try to answer you both at the same time. I tried setting homepage to, Use Current, Use Default, Use Blank or inserting Yahoo or whatever and no change would stick. Clicking Apply or OK after a change made no difference. We are making headway as with your combined help we might have discovered the what, and maybe the how. I am using Spybot and Ad-Aware se Pro with the latest updates. I ran both and they found nothing of importance. I also did total clean up of all cookies and temp files and ran scanreg/fix/opt. I tried startup in Safe Mode changed address to <http://my.att.net> but the wrong address returned with the next w98 startup, however, Ad-Watch caught:

Ad-Watch Event Log

3/21/08 3:27:22 PM - Registry modification detected

Root: HKEY_CURRENT_USER

Key: Software\Microsoft\Internet Explorer\Main

Value: Start Page

Data: <http://www.att.net/>

New Data: <http://my.att.net>

The registry Start Page showed the new address <http://my.att.net> but when I re-opened IE I got that same AT&T message, again. Returning to the registry Start Page it had changed back to the original setting <http://www.att.net>

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apparently you are correct David, AT&T implanted a program, which is altering the registry. And as you indicated the web page is hi-jacked because the top of page always shows: AT&T Microsoft Internet Explorer.

In Settings > Control Panel > Add/Remove Programs, there is program (ATT AACE) that I did not knowingly install. Doing a Find File or Folders ATT AACE contains at least one dll and a couple of exe. A search of the Internet did not find that program.

I ve been at this all day and I m tired, so with a fresh start in the AM (unless the wife has other plans) I will delete that program, hopefully clean out the remnants and get back to you with the results. Thank you for sticking with me through this problem.

Sudy Nim

"Don Varnau" <don_04[at]varnau[dot]org> wrote in message news:Om%235oz0iIHA.3740@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

Hi,

If you set your homepage to "Use Blank" or something else like Yahoo or Google, does that change stick?

These and other third-party programs can lock the IE homepage. Examine the settings of security/privacy/antispysware programs for the option to lock homepage, lock IE control panel, lock IE settings, etc.
Spybot (Advanced Mode) Tools> IE Tweaks
Spybot- Teatimer
Ad-aware Pro
Norton AV 2006 (Web Browsing > Spyware protection)
McAfee AV or Antispysware
Spyware Blaster
Spysweeper
Zone Alarm- free and pro.

If you don't wish to dig through settings of whichever security/privacy programs you have installed, you may be able to startup in Safe Mode, change the homepage then restart the computer. That won't always work- an earlier version of Zone Alarm free had to be uninstalled.

Hope this helps,
Don
[MS MVP- IE]

"Sudy Nim" <pseudonym@xxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message [news:1twEj.51496\\$cQ1.22391@xxx](mailto:news:1twEj.51496$cQ1.22391@xxx)

My server is sending me this notice:
The AT&T Internet Service Home page URL has changed.

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Please update your Internet Browser Home Page or Favorites immediately.

Because w98se is not supported by AT&T this change can not be made regardless of my attempts. Is there a way I can block this notice that prevents my home page from opening? TIA