

## Re: Newsgroup link won't open IE; OE link will

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- *From:* "POP" <nobody@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>
  - *Date:* Thu, 15 Jun 2006 13:21:05 -0400
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Ted Zieglar wrote:

Do you read newsgroups in plain text?

No, I do not; I do block third-party graphics, but the "Read Plain Text" is not checked.

I DO however, switch it to Plain Text and back (add/remove the check) now and then, if I decide there is a reason to go to a smarmy site, say in tracing spammers.

Also no proxy or anything unusual except for using OE to "fix" OE's quoting abilities.

Curious: Never noticed Plain Text having an impact on links: It doesn't seem to, but --- there must have been a reason behind your question?

BTW, I was right about the DCOM issue being Symantec; that's repaired now. No change to my annoyance, natch.

Regards,

Pop

"POP" <nobody@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message  
<news:%23rJ%23TmJkGHA.4660@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

Hi all,

I've seen similar problems posted, and solved, but I can't get past this one.

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I can open links fine from OE, in an e-mail. IE starts and goes to the page as it should.

In a newsgroup however, clicking a link results in nothing. Screen doesn't blink, no error message; as if the click has simply been ignored.

If I copy/paste the link into IE it works fine, as would be expected.

Clicking a link in IE works as expected.

As posted though, clicking a link in a newsgroup fails completely.

I've gone through the advice posted at the end of this post, faithfully, with no success.

Scenario:

Initially clicking links had quit working, period, in IE or OE.

I thought I'd gotten them to work with the below info, but it was shortlived and soon clicking links had quit working again. I created a new identity finally. When I realized my mails

etc. weren't coming over, I created an additional identity. Using the first identity I brought over all my addresses, mail, etc. NOW I could click links in OE and have them work. That still works. But I couldn't get them to work in newsgroups. Added a newsgroup (this one) to the second created identity, left everything else alone (no wab, no imported dbx for mail, etc).

STILL, could not click on a link in activate it in a newsgroup.

Repeated the below steps this morning, on the first new identity. No change.

Everything's updated; XP/SP2+, Norton av, zone alarm, spybot, adaware, winpatrol all find nothing wrong. All were checked for updates prior to running.

Yes, I've rebooted, including cold boots; nothing.

There ARE some DHCP INFO flags in the System Log; no idea whether that's relevant. It looks like they eventually succeed after several tries.

I also have the following error message in the System Log:

DCOM got error "The service database is locked. " attempting to start the service netman with arguments "" in order to run the server:

{BA126AE5-2166-11D1-B1D0-00805FC1270E}

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Which is new to me; I –think– that's Symantec, but I'm not positive what it means. I have to read the MS referenced page more closely to figure that one out, but I'm ass–u–me–ing it's not the problem either. Famoust last words, I know.

Thanks for any thoughts anyone might have on this very annoying problem. I may be missing something very basic, so ... don't assume I'm an expert of any kind. I know just enough to be dangerous.

OH: I also run OEQuotefix, but get the same problem with or without it. Long time user, never had a problem with it before.

TIA,

----- TS steps tried -----

Start | Run | type, or Copy/Paste, these in one at a time and try again.

(Note the space in each command).

regsvr32 Mshtml.dll  
regsvr32 Oleaut32.dll  
regsvr32 Shell32.dll  
regsvr32 actxprxy.dll  
regsvr32 shdocvw.dll  
regsvr32 urlmon.dll

In IE, go to: Tools>Internet Options>Programs. Click: Reset Web Settings – (uncheck box for homepage) – Click Yes. -----

Scroll down to URL:HyperText Transfer Protocol (NOT URL:Internet Shortcut) and select it.

Click Edit or Advanced, depending on your Windows version.

Select 'open'.

Click Edit.

"Application used to perform this action" should read:

"C:\PROGRAM FILES\INTERNET EXPLORER\iexplore.exe" –nohome  
(Check the path to iexplore.exe to make sure that is correct and use the double quotes.)

DDE should be checked and in the boxes below it you should have:

#1:

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"%1" ,,-1,0,,,

#2

IEExplore

#3 (blank)

#4

WWW\_OpenURL

URL:HyperText Transfer Protocol with Privacy should be the same.

Sometimes it is necessary to uncheck Use DDE.

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ALL above were OK or successful. No help, on old identity, or new identity.

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I'm broke: Don't even ask!