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PBWoW

RELEASE CANDIDATE 4 (RC4) README

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- Difficulty: high

- Time required: high

- Satisfaction: hopefully high

REQUIREMENTS

- phpBB 3.0.6

- Patience

- A tissue to wipe away the tears of joy once you have it all set up and working

LINKS

- Changelog → http://pbwow.com/forum/viewtopic.php?f=3&t=44

- Known bugs list → http://pbwow.com/forum/viewtopic.php?f=10&t=126

- Donation page → http://pbwow.com/donate.html

- PBWoW Customization Pack → http://pbwow.com/forum/viewtopic.php?f=3&t=211

- PBWoW Avatar Pack → http://pbwow.com/forum/viewtopic.php?f=3&t=786

DISCLAIMER & WARNINGS

PBWoW is currently in a release candidate stage. You can use it on a live phpBB board but we cannot guarantee a bug free experience. Board features may be broken and our source code modifications have not been thoroughly tested for security vulnerabilities. Make a backup of all your files before installing PBWoW!

The PBWoW.com staff is not responsible for any damages related to the use of PBWoW software.

Use at your own risk!

INSTALLATION

PBWoW installs exactly the same as any other skin for phpBB. The only difference with others skins style-wise is that PBWoW includes multiple themes which are all linked to the PBWoW "super" template through template inheritance. I won't go into specifics because you can read what all this means here. In short it means that there is a super style and all the other PBWoW themes use this super style but add a little bit extra of their own. This reduces file size significantly and keeps things much more organized. So let's get started shall we?

1. Simply upload all the different themes into your `phpBB/styles/` directory.

2. ACP → Styles → Install PBWoW.

3. Install other PBWoW themes. You can choose to install them all or just a few. It's up to you.

Note: it is important to install the PBWoW style before any other PBWoW [xyz] style for it will need the original super style to work properly.

REQUIRED MODIFICATIONS

In order to get all the functionality of PBWoW, changes to the source code of phpBB are needed. At the moment these are mostly code additions, not changes. All the required modifications are written for maximum compatibility and should not affect the operation of your phpBB installation at all outside of PBWoW. This is good because this means that your phpBB board will continue to work even if you choose to use PBWoW alongside other skins. So, unlike the old vBulletin version, the phpBB version of PBWoW does not have so called "one skin only" restrictions.

The required modifications are included as a ModX document. Open the /modx/pbwow_rc4.xml (included with this readme document) in your browser. And follow the instructions. If you are having trouble using ModX please look here:

http://www.phpbb.com/mods/modx/faq/

Note 1: Make sure you apply all the modifications from the ModX file correctly. Failure to do so will cause your board to malfunction and will

Note 2: If you are upgrading from an older version of PBWoW, I recommend you revert all your php files to the original phpBB 3.0.6 ones and install the modifications on clean files. A lot of code has been changed between RC3 and RC4 and you will most likely get errors if you use your old files.

NEW: CONFIGURATION ACP MODULE

Since version RC4, PBWoW has its own ACP module. This improves the usability of PBWoW significantly by doing away with the need to manually edit template files, and instead use a familiar phpBB ACP GUI.
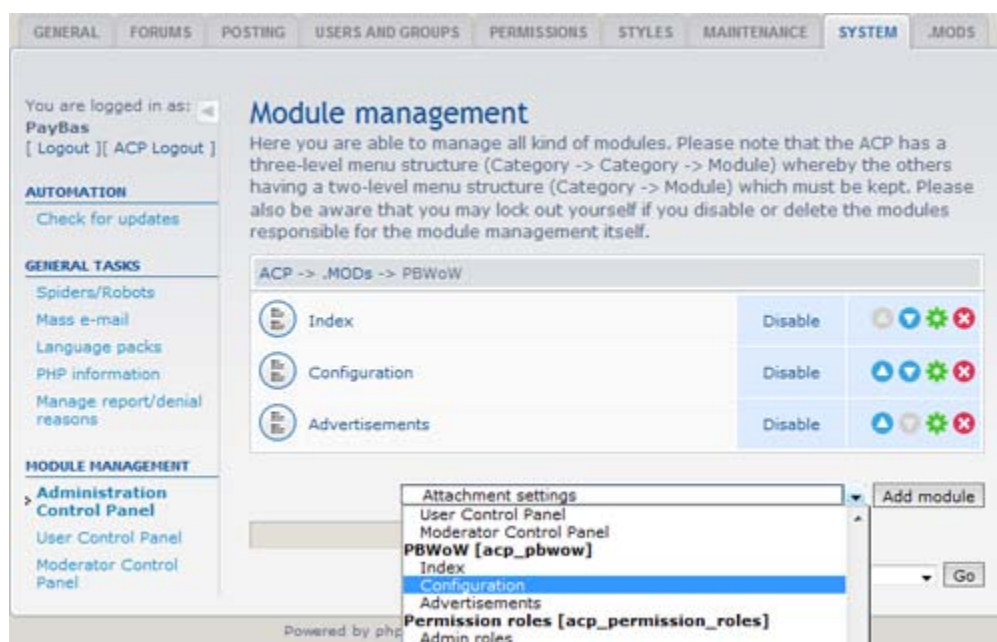
More info on how to install ACP modules can be found here and here.

You must have applied the ModX correctly before attempting to install the ACP module.

While ACP modules have the benefit of being able to be placed wherever in the ACP you like. A step-by-step instruction is provided for those not familiar with modules.

1. Go to: ACP → System → Module Management → Administration Control Panel
2. Create a module named "PBWoW" (name doesn't matter)
3. Choose: module type = category, enabled = yes
4. Choose: parent = 'General', it doesn't matter which one you choose, if you have portal installed you might want to choose '.MODs'. Just make sure you **don't** select 'no parent'. For some reason, it doesn't work well without a parent.
5. Press submit to create the category
6. Click on the newly created category to go 'inside it'.
7. One-by-one, add all available PBWoW modules from the menu at the bottom.
8. Make sure all the modules have both 'enable' and 'display' set to: yes.

If successful, it should look something like the image below.

BLIZZARD STYLING

On the official WoW forums, Blizzard representatives (admins, moderators, support staff) have a different post style. Character icons are hidden and the background image is different. This can be done in PBWoW as well.

Simply go to the PBWoW ACP module you just installed and go to the configuration page. There you will be able to enable/disable this feature and also choose for which ranks to enable it.

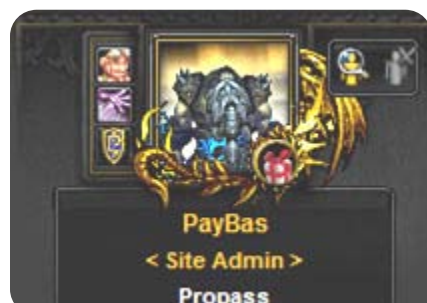You can select multiple ranks by holding down the 'CTRL' key.

PROPASS (DRAGON)

Just like with the above mentioned Blizzard styling, it is also possible to enable the so-called Propass styling for certain users. This works in exactly the same way as the above mentioned Blizzard Styling. Just search `viewtopic_body.html` for the following line:

Simply go to the PBWoW ACP module and go to the configuration page. There you will be able to enable/disable this feature and also choose for which ranks to enable it.

You can select multiple ranks by holding down the 'CTRL' key.

Note: a user cannot have both Blizzard and Propass styling, although there is a failsafe to prevent problems if you do choose the same ranks for both Blizz and Propass, I still advise against it.

TOP NAVIGATION BAR

For a while now, Blizzard has been using a blue bar at the very top of its websites for quick navigation. You can edit the links in the PBWoW ACP module on the configuration page.

Note: template variables cannot be used, as they will get parsed too late.

ADS AND INDEX MODIFICATIONS

PBWoW gives control over advertisements through the ACP module. Visit the advertisements page within the PBWoW ACP module. The rest is pretty much self-explanatory.

CUSTOMIZATION

CUSTOM PROFILE FIELDS

CPF's are used by PBWoW to generate icons and avatars in the user's profile. These are set-up like any other CPF. You can create them by going to: ACP →Users and Groups → Custom profile fields

WoW Character Guild

```
FIELD IDENTIFICATION: pbguild ← !IMPORTANT! do not change
FIELD TYPE: Single text field
FIELD TITLE FOR USER: WoW Character Guild (or whatever)
```

WoW Character Level

```
FIELD IDENTIFICATION: pblevel ← !IMPORTANT! do not change
FIELD TYPE: Numbers
FIELD TITLE FOR USER: WoW Character Level ← Free to change
Highest allowed number: 80
```

WoW Character Race – make sure you copy the entries including the "---" entry, the order is important.

```
FIELD IDENTIFICATION: pbrace ← !IMPORTANT! do not change
FIELD TYPE: Dropdown box
FIELD TITLE FOR USER: WoW Character Race ← Free to change
::: ENTRIES START :::

None
Human
Orc
Dwarf
Night Elf
Undead
Tauren
Gnome
Troll
---
Blood Elf
Draenei

::: ENTRIES END :::
DEFAULT VALUE: None
```

WoW Character Gender – make sure you copy the entries correctly, the order is important.

```
FIELD IDENTIFICATION: pbgender ← !IMPORTANT! do not change
FIELD TYPE: Dropdown box
FIELD TITLE FOR USER: WoW Character Gender ← Free to change
::: ENTRIES START :::

Male
Female

::: ENTRIES END :::
DEFAULT VALUE: Male
```

WoW Character Class – make sure you copy the entries including the "---" entry, the <u>order</u> is important.

```
FIELD IDENTIFICATION: pbclass ← !IMPORTANT! do not change
FIELD TYPE: Dropdown box
FIELD TITLE FOR USER: WoW Character Class ← Free to change
::: ENTRIES START :::

None
Warrior
Paladin
Hunter
Rogue
Priest
Death Knight
Shaman
Mage
Warlock
---
Druid

::: ENTRIES END :::
DEFAULT VALUE: None
```

WoW Armory Character Link

```
FIELD IDENTIFICATION: pbarmorycharlink ← !IMPORTANT! do not change
FIELD TYPE: Single text field
FIELD TITLE FOR USER: WoW Armory Character Link ← Free to change
PROFILE TYPE SPECIFIC OPTIONS: LENGTH: 40, MIN: 40, MAX: 120
```

WoW Armory Guild Link

```
FIELD IDENTIFICATION: pbarmoryguildlink ← !IMPORTANT! do not change
FIELD TYPE: Single text field
FIELD TITLE FOR USER: WoW Armory Guild Link ← Free to change
PROFILE TYPE SPECIFIC OPTIONS: LENGTH: 40, MIN: 40, MAX: 120
```

Important: After setting up the CPF's with the instructions above, you will still need to enable the viewing of CPF's in your board. Be sure to enable the following options:

ACP → General → Board features → Display custom profile fields in user profiles: YES
ACP → General → Board features → Display custom profile fields on topic pages: YES

This is important because otherwise, all features related to CPF's will not appear on the forums and topics. This includes features such as avatars based on race/class, character icons, etc.

FORUM IMAGES

Just like on the official WoW forums. PBWoW supports forum images to display next to the forum name on the index page. Just go to ACP → Forums → Edit (a forum) → Forum image

Here you enter the relative URL from the phpBB root directory to the image you want. The PBWoW forum bullets are located in the following directory: `styles/pbwow/imageset/forumbullets/`

Append the filename of the image you want to use, like "`guildrelations.gif`" (without quotation marks) after the URL. Something like: `styles/pbwow/imageset/forumbullets/guildrelations.gif`

Note: As of RC3, all images are named the same. Only the directory is different. This means that things have become even easier. For example: a forum image named `xxx.gif` will need to have a corresponding image named `xxx.gif` placed in the `/bc/` and `/wrath/` subdirectories of the `/forumbullets/` directory in order for it to show properly when viewing the forum. You can even make your own images with the PBWoW Customization Pack.

Extra: there are a few custom forum bullets (including large versions) that you can combine and rename yourself to customize your board even further. It's not hard, but you have to know where to put them.
Small forum bullets for the index page go in: `styles/pbwow/imageset/forumbullets/`
Big forum bullets for the header go in: `styles/pbwow/imageset/forumbullets/bc/`
WotLK versions of big forum bullets go in: `styles/pbwow/imageset/forumbullets/wrath/`

ADDING AVATARS

Besides the avatars based on CPF input (the standard WoW character avatars), PBWoW also supports normal avatars, either uploaded or from a gallery. PBWoW.com offers a premade avatar pack that includes most of the official avatars used on various Blizzard operated forums (WoW, Battle.net, Diablo, etc.).

Download the PBWoW Avatar Pack at: http://pbwow.com/forum/viewtopic.php?f=3&t=786

For more information on avatars, visit: http://www.phpbb.com/community/viewtopic.php?t=14627

RANK ICONS

If you want to add a small Blizzard or MVP icon to your avatar panel, simply go to the same place as above. ACP → Users and Groups → Manage ranks – add an icon to one of your ranks and it will show in the right place. Be sure to copy the images you want to use to your `phpBB/images/ranks` directory before doing this or you will not be able to select any icon images.

CHANGE LANGUAGE

As of Beta 4, PBWoW has incorporated an automatic system built into phpBB that allows it to change most of the images according to the language pack used. This means that if you install a language pack from http://www.phpbb.com/languages/, the images will change automatically.

However, this does not work with all language packs. Only the following language packs will work:

- English (En, default)
- Español (Es)
- Deutsch (De)
- Français (Fr)
- Русский (Ru)

POST COLORS

Blizzard representatives post text in a distinct blue color. You can do the same very easily in the ACP. ACP → Users and Groups → Manage groups → Settings (of a group) → Group colour:

Setting this will change the colour of the group's posts to that colour. Here are the official colours:

- Blizzard representative: 00c0ff
- MVP: 5df644
- Normal users: none (leave blank)
- Chinese special colours: ff6600, f53131
- Special PBWoW Donor Color: 9988FF

FINAL NOTES

PURGE FORUM CACHE

If you are updating (or making changes to your forum), be sure to clear your forum cache or you might not see the changes. To do this, simply go into your ACP and it should be on the first page. ACP → General → Purge the cache.

Also, you should refresh the theme cache, purging the general cache will not do this automatically. ACP → Styles → Themes → pbwow → Refresh. Do this for all the pbwow themes just to make sure.

Finally, clearing your browser's cache usually helps.

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Please leave the footer as it is (or at least the PBWoW section). I have noticed some of you removing it and claiming on your boards "you are working hard to make the skin". That isn't really fair now is it? So please leave it alone. It's the least you can do. PBWoW is free after all. ☺

CREDITS

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Emupedia – www.emupedia.com

World of Warcraft – www.worldofwarcraft.com

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Don't ask me what WoW server I play on, I don't play WoW. I like "Hello Kitty: Island Adventure" better.