



NEWS SHOW GK3

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GavickPro NEWS SHOW GK3 - Joomla!1.5 Module Instruction Manual - last update for version 3.2.0

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Introducing News Show GK3



Times up!!! Please, advance to level 3...

The outstanding success of News Show GK2 through all Joomla comunity, fully exceeded our expectations and it's popularity increases even more our ambitions. GavickPro Team thanks you all! and for the huge News Show acclamation, what's better to honor all you guys out there? So, times up! We invite you to advance to level 3.

Free your Website from limitations and win perfect control of content, news and articles displayment in Joomla!1.5. Released exclusively for the first time along with our Aumi August 2008 Template, finally the Gavick News Show GK3 is out! and available for free to amaze even more.

With more options available, with different languages translation support, most friendly administration and possible integration with our PhotoSlide GK2 component by using a specific plugin, News Show GK3 becomes that unique and indispensable tool. It's fabulous capabilities well recognized, the most powerful and universal joomla content display module, will enriches your web site in a way that no other can.

So, how do you like to show your news?... Well, no matter which way, News Show GK3 will have that perfect solution!

Just pick one... or as many you like.



An overview of News Show GK3 module key features:

- » Joomla!1.5 Native
- » Content control display from any section, category or articles ID's
- » Horizontal and vertical news presentation (columns and rows configuration)
- » Show text, image, author, date, section/category name and button "read more" option, with order customization.
- » News amount sorted by date, order, random or hits
- » Use of multiple modules on same page with unique ID configuration
- » Tools panel font size and amount of news control
- » Timezones adjustment, date format and native language of month / days customization
- » Different language translation support included
- » Partnership with PhotoSlide GK2 (using respective plugin)
- » On/Off front page articles display in modules
- » Clean (X)HTML in content
- » Easy and friendly administration
- » SEF URLs
- » Used Javascript Framework: Mootools 1.2
- » Option of compressed JS engine use
- » Fully compatible: Firefox, IE7, Opera 9.5, Safari, Netscape, Google Chrome, Camino, Flock 0.7+
- » XHTML & CSS Validation: W3C XHTML 1.0 Transitional, W3C CSS Valid.

Changelog

Changelog 3.2.0

- » Support for plugins in article content
- » Fixed problems with UTF-8 encoding
- » New sort option frontpage order
- » Option to set limit of chars in article title
- » Dynamic generated css are depreaced
- » Support for MooTools 1.2
- » Option to set space beetween article columns
- » Fixed timezone settings
- » Option to add rel = "nofollow" in links
- » Option to add target=" blank" in links

Changelog 3.1.0

- » Option to add timestamp in date
- » Option to use weblinks categories instead of article categories
- » Option to show unauthorized links
- » Option to show only frontpage articles
- » Some small code improvements
- » [plugin] Option to set default image for selected category/section

Changelog 3.0.1

- » Fixed problem with translating text Show/Hide options
- » Fixed problem with Tuesday translation
- » Fixed problem with author alias now it gets data from jos content.created by alias
- » Increased amount of options in Author name name, username and alias (look previous item)
- » Fixed problems with force enabled scripts
- » Fixed path for force enabled scripts works also with SEF links

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Overview files and Installation



Overview files

The first step to start working with our free Joomla !1.5 modules is downloading the News Show GK3 package, available for free in our download section. The installation is quite simple and it should not be a problem, if you follow correctly this instrutions.

Important! Be sure to unpack the file first, before start working on it.

So, let's get started by showing you a brief overview of the files available inside the News Show GK3 package.

» mod_news_show_gk3.zip

This file is the module.

» plg_news_show_gk3.zip

Inside of the "plugin_for_photoslide_gk2" folder, you will find the plugin that will provide parthership work with our PhotoSlide GK2 component. For further information of PhotoSlide GK2 component, please download the respective HelpFile of PhotoSlide GK2 available on http://tools.gavick.com.

News Show GK3 Installation

Using the Joomla! 1.5 Administrator, navigate to the administrative panel on your site. From the top menu, select Extensions > Install/Uninstall. Click the 'browse' button, select the module file (mod_news_show_gk3.zip) and press 'Upload File & Install.'

A message will appear saying 'Install Module Success.'

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Upload Package File	
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Install from Director	у
Install Directory:	Install

News Show GK3 Configuration

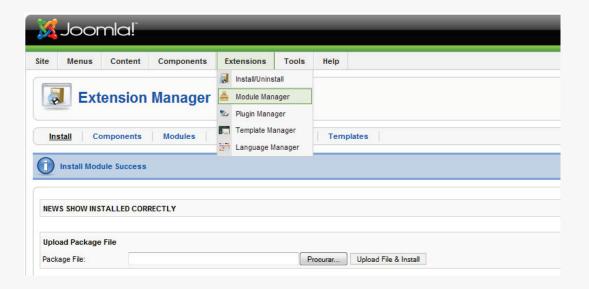


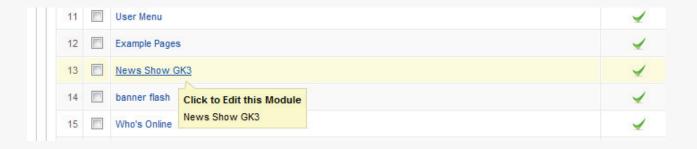
After installation is set, it will display an overview of the module.

Now that the News Show GK3 is available on your Modules Manager, let's take a look inside of the module configuration and see what's able to do.

News Show GK3 configuration

From the top menu, navigate to select "Extensions > Module Manager", find the News Show GK3 module on the available list and click on it to edit the module configuration.





Module parameters:

By entering in the module, set it in your respective position and enable it. Before you save it, you can configurate the following parameters fields.

* Please, zoom your .pdf reader to see the right screenshoot more detail.

Module Class Suffix:

A suffix can be applied from the css class of the module (table.moduletable) an this will allow individual module CSS style.

Module unique ID:

Important! Each module must have unique ID, if you have two or more modules working (i.e. newsshow1 or newsshow2)

Width:

The width of the display block. Value "0" means that width of the module will be set automatically.

Table cell padding:

Set padding for table cells. Add px or % suffix! (i.e. 3px).

Type of content:

Select type of content - articles or weblinks.

If you select weblinks then you can use only categories and IDs options.

Section:

Set here the Section which will be the source of news headings.

Category:

Set here the Category which will be the source of news headings.

Sections:

Sections which will be the source of news. IDs separated by comma (example 1,2,3)



Categories:

Categories which will be the source of news. IDs separated by comma (example 1,2,3).

IDs:

Articles ID's which will be display. IDs separated by comma (i.e. 1,2,3).

News amount:

The amount of news which will be loaded in the module. This number must be bigger than 0.

News sort value:

Set here the News sort value (by date, order, random or hits).

News sort order:

Set here the news sort order (by ascending or descending).

Showing frontpage articles:

Enable it, if you want to display frontpage articles.

Amount of columns:

The amount of columns in the module for table customization.

Amount of rows:

The amount of rows in the module for table customization.

Show unauthorize links:

If you want to show all articles without getting informations about user permissions.

Show only frontpage articles:

Enable this option if you want to show only frontpage links.

Show list of rest news:

If you want to show a list the rest amount of the articles on that Section/Categorie.

Rounded corners support:

Enable it, if you want to use rounded corners for article content.

Select style of list:

Select the type of style list to be display (float or normal list).

News content - header position:

Set here the header position (disable - float right - float left - centered) options.

News content - image position:

Set here the image position (disable - float right - float left - centered) options.

News content - text position:

Set here the text position (disable - float right - float left - centered - justified) options.

News content - info position:

Set here the info position of the news (disable - float right - float left - centered) options.

News content - readmore position:

Set here the "Readmore" button position (disable - float right - float left - centered - after text) options.

News readmore button text:

Write your own "Readmore" text.

- » News header link:
- » News image link:
- » News text link:
- » Show news categories:
- » Show news date:
- » Show 'More in' text:

All previous fields with logical values. If you want to set respective elements as link or to be displayed.

- » News content header order
- » News content image order
- » News content text order
- » News content info order

The previous fields represent the news content order elements that are set graphically by checking each radio buttons with different values. This will set the order of display.

- » nofollow in head links
- » nofollow in image links
- » nofollow in text links
- » nofollow in info links
- » nofollow in list links
- » nofollow in readmore links
- » target _blank in head links
- » target _blank in image links
- » target _blank in text links
- » target _blank in info links
- » target _blank in list links
- » target _blank in readmore links

The previous fields are options to add rel="nofollow" in links and also to add target=" blank" in links.

News text limit type:

Set here the text limit type, by words or characters.

Maximal amout of words or characters:

Value of words or characters to be display for each news.

Maximal amount of characters in title:

Set value of characters to be display in the news title.

Clean (X)HTML in content:

If you load part of news content then we recommend to turn ON this option.

News date - timezone:

Select how many hours must be added/substracted from your time server.

Plugin support:

If you want to use images from Photoslide in module. Enable ONLY if you have installed Photoslide GK2 Component and News Show GK3 plugin installed and enabled *(see respective chapter)*.

Use only plugin images:

If you want to use only images in the module from Photoslide GK2 group created with the News Show GK3 plugin.

News image height:

Set height value of the image. Add px or % suffix! (example 100px). If you leave this value as "0", the original image height will be assumed.

News image width:

Set width value of the image. Add px or % suffix ! (example 100px). If you leave this value as "0", the original image width will be assumed.

News image margin:

The margin of the news image. Add px or % suffix ! (i.e. 3px).

Date format:

Set your date preference formation. All special chars will be replaced: D - full day name, s - short day name, d - day (number without 0 prefix), z - day (number with 0 prefix), M - full month name, S - short month name, m - month (number without 0 prefix), Z - month (number with 0 prefix), Y - year.

Author name - alias or name:

If you set to display article author by select alias, name or username.

Number of first news:

It is usable when you need articles in tabmods module - you can show first 5 news from category and in other instance you can show next 5 articles *(then set this option as 5)*.

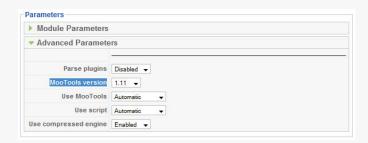
Use configuration panel:

If you want to use the configuration panel options, that enable you to control the font-size increase/decrease option and also add/substract the rest of news.

Some considerations for Image display using the plugin for the PhotoSlide:

- » By enable plugin support in the module and if you want to display the images and sizes configurations setted on PhotoSlide group, them you must leave the "width" and "height" fields in the module with "0" value. If you set on this fields different values from "0", them the image size will be display and it's source will be from image articles and NOT from images setted on PhotoSlide GK3 group.
- » Also, when you enable the plugin support, with the respective list of news configurated to be display on the module, some mixed with those from the group, if you leave width and height "0" values, the ones not selected on PhotoSlide will display the first image of the article with default image size.
- » The plugin creates the possibilty to use different image dimensions in each image connected to articles. You can see a screenshot example in the last page of this Manual.

Module advanced parameters:



Parse plugins:

If you want to enable parsing plugins in article content - please enable this option.

MooTools version:

Select MooTools version which will be used in module...

Use Mootools:



Now modules support new technique of assets JavaScripts files. Use this option only if you have a problem with scripts on your site. In other situations option automatic is strongly recommended. If you want to run more than one copy of this module on one page then set this value for disabled. Also if you have an mootools framework in version 1.11 included on your site then disable this option.

Use script:



Now modules support new technique of assets JavaScripts files. In other situations option automatic is strongly recommended. Use this option only if you have a problem with scripts on your site. If you want to run more than one copy of this module on one page then set this value for disabled.

Use compressed engine:



To minimalize filesize you can use compressed version of engine, but for debugging you should use uncompressed version of engine script (then disable this option).

Additionaly - when you use more than one copy of this module per one page then you must set this same value of this option for all instances of module.



Integration with PhotoSlide GK2



Using News Show GK3 plugin

One of great features of this new version of News Show GK3 module, is the possibility to work in partnership with our PhotoSlide GK2 component, available for free donwload in our joomla tools download section. So, if you want to use the News Show GK3 plugin *(only for use with PhotoSlide GK2)*, naturally you must have this component installed in your web site.

For futher information about the PhotoSlide GK2 component installation and configuration, please read the available HelpFile in http://tools.gavick.com.

News Show GK3 plugin Installation

The installation process for this plugin on the PhotoSlide GK3 is exactly the same as all plugins for each News Image module. So, basically you must enter in the PhotoSlide GK2 administration panel, select the "Plugins" option, use the "search" field and select the plg news show gk3.zip file located on your computer. Upload this file and enable it.

You should see the following screenshot on the PhotoSlide > Plugins panel.



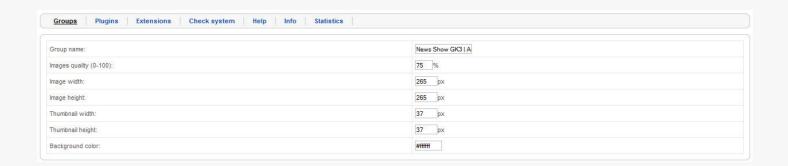
Add Group in PhotoSlide GK2 for News Show GK3 module

Create a group on the PhotoSlide GK2 component administration, by selecting the News Show GK3 plugin. The process is exactly the same like we explain in the HelpFile PhotoSlide GK2.

Navigate to Components > Gavick PhotoSlide GK2 and press on the right menu the "Add Group" button.

Select the News Show GK3 plugin available on the drop menu on the right side. If you have only this plugin installed, naturally it will be chosen by default.

Set the following parameters on the configuration of the group, provided by the News Show GK3 plugin *(the values are only examples).*



Add Slide for News Show GK3 Group

Finished the creation of the group, the process of adding slide to the group it's the same.

Navigate to the groups panel on the PhotoSlide GK3 administration and press "Add Slide" option. You will need to set the following parameters fields, but with some exceptions to considerate that i will next explain (the following screenshot shows the example use on the AUMI demo template.



Name:

The name that you want to give to your slide (just for your orientation).

Access Level:

This is a nice option that you can set, by selecting the level access for each news image article.

- » Image Width Image Height:
- » Thumbnail width Thumbnail height :

Notice that in the screenshot above, this fields are set with "0" value.

That's because image size which is set in module is connected with images from articles and not from Photoslide. By setting values here, will be usable when you need in the News Show GK3 module different size image display.

Article:

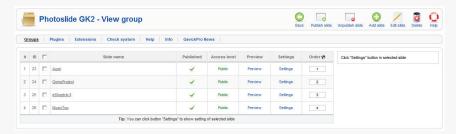
Here's the sniper for the article.

Image stretch:

Stretch option that generates images that will ajust setted dimensions.

- Tip! You can can create different images for articles for different access levels.
- Warning! It is very important to have set ONLY one image in Photoslide connected with one article if you set more images connected to same article, most probally will cause some problems. The only exception is when is created with different level access.

The right screenshot demostrates the final result of the group content. An example of 4 images connected to the respective articles.



If you return to the News Show GK3 module administration, were you want to use the group images cretaed, you must configurate it in order that the news articles that will be displayed are the ones that you chose on PhotoSlide GK2. Also, be sure to enable the use of the plugin support on the module.



Here's one example, used on the AUMI template, were the image displayed is the one that you upload and set on the PhotoSlide GK2 group dimensions..



In this example, we change the width and height in the same group on each thumbnails image. So, by doing this you be able to show different sizes.



Examples display

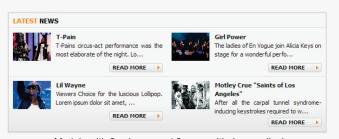


In this chapter, we show you some of the examples of customization of the News Show GK3 module. The following screenshot were picked from some of our Joomla Templates and you can see them working on http://demo.gavick.com and http://tools.gavick.com/demo





Module with single news article



Module with 2 columns and 2 rows, with 4 news display



Module with 1 column and 2 rows, 2 news displayed and news list enable. Also, with tools panel active.



Module with 3 columns and 1 rows, with 3 news display



Example of 3 different modules on same page with unique IDs.