

Email Junkie

Michael Winikoff
winikoff@cs.mu.oz.au

(*vamp*)

There's this thing called the internet
which connects computers around the world.

It provides many services such as

(G7) Electronic news
(Cdim) file transfer
(C) real time chat and
(G7) electronic mail or email

Email is similar to conventional mail

You write a letter & send it to an electronic address

The difference — it's fast

I can send a letter, get a reply, send a reply to the reply, get a reply to
the reply to the reply & send a reply to that

All in quarter of an hour.

Last year Malcolm created the choral net mailing list.

What's a mailing list?

You send mail & it gets delivered to everyone who's subscribed.

As you might expect a lot of time is spent reading the stuff and it can
be quite addictive.

(G7)

I'm just an email junkie
Staring at the phospher screen
Waiting for biff's

I'd better explain biff.

Biff is a program which notifies you when new mail arrives by going

“beep”.

Which I'll treat as a “ping” for various Python related reasons.

I'm just an email junkie
Staring at the phospher screen
Waiting for biff's ping
I'm just an email junkie
Staring at the boring screen
Waiting for biff's ping

New mail has arrived
quick send a reply
Two minutes and there's more
New mail has arrived
(C/Am) quick send a reply
So forth and so on
(C arpegio)

Someday, I'll retire from this terminal
No more email, no more jokes
No more mail wars & insults
Time for friends of the flesh not the electron
But until that day ...

I'm just an email junkie
Staring at the bloody screen
Waiting for biff's
I'm just an email junkie
Staring at the bloody screen
Waiting for biff's ping
New mail has arrived!