

WOX (World of XOOPS) Newsletter # 24 (September 2009)

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Another very busy month for XOOPS! The work on a [design for a new XOOPS Website](#) is going forward, and the [XOOPS 2.4.0 Beta 1 release](#) is in full testing.

Check out updated news from around the world - it's always nice to see activities in local XOOPS Websites. Please keep us posted about new developments, so we can keep the worldwide XOOPS community updated!!!

Remember - XOOPS is powered by YOU!!!!

01. Donations



If you like the XOOPS system, and would like to give something in return, you can make a donation to the XOOPS Foundation! Simply use the [XOOPS Donation System](#) and use your PayPal account or your Credit Card to donate .

Your donation will be used to promote and advance the use and development of the XOOPS system. The XOOPS Foundation is a registered not-for-profit organization in the USA, dedicated to promote XOOPS! All donators will get the **Friend of XOOPS** rank here on this website. Thanks to all the Friends of XOOPS for their donations and continued support!

If you wonder what is happening with XOOPS money, please read the [2008 XOOPS Financial Report](#)

This month we would like to acknowledge following donors:

- Ian A. Underwood (iunderwood): \$15

Thank you so much for supporting XOOPS!!!!

02. New XOOPS developments

- [Nominate XOOPS @ Packt Publishing CMS Awards](#) (Deadline: Sept. 10, so please vote TODAY!!!)
- [BitC3R0 wins XOOPS Theme Competition](#)
- [Developer News : Improving XOOPS Code: PHP CodeSniffer](#)
- [XOOPS France has a new Website](#)
- [XOOPS Iran has a new Website](#)
- [Security Patch for XOOPS 2.3.3](#)
- [Hispaxoops Themes Contest](#)
- [XOOPS Modules GUI Standard Icons](#)
- [XAM Framework and XAMRTL module are now available!](#)

Current Releases

- [XOOPS 2.4.0 Beta 1 Is Released](#)
- [Documentation on the API](#)
- [Modules working with XOOPS 2.3](#)
- [Modules working with XOOPS 2.3.x](#) (Babylon by Xoops)
- [Language Translations of 2.3.x](#)

03. XOOPSers of the Month



Our "**XOOPSer of the Month**" Award is given to XOOPS members who show extraordinary dedication to XOOPS, and go the extra mile for XOOPS. Sometimes they do something spectacular, but most of the time they just do something everyday, but by doing it day-in and day-out, they make a **BIG DIFFERENCE** in life of XOOPS community. And we thank them for that!!!



This month, we would like to recognize **Joachim Liedtke** ([Frankblack](#)) from Germany for his support on our Forums, his Debaser module, and his work on <http://dev.xoops.org>

Where are you from, and where do you live now?

I'm from a small town in Germany / Northrhine-Westphalia, called [Schiefbahn](#), near to Krefeld, Moenchengladbach and Duesseldorf.

How long have you been programming?

I would not call it programming what I am doing, but I started to "program" a bit in PHP when XOOPS 2 came out about 6 years ago.

What is your expertise?

Nothing in fact. A bit of everything, but nothing really well. Wait - I found my expertise: copy'n'paste-programming!

What got you into XOOPS?

I got to XOOPS per accident. My boss asked me to search for a CMS we could use for our own homepage. I tried several and first we started with "backend". I tried the XOOPS 1.3x series as well, but wasn't convinced. When XOOPS 2 came out with smarty support we / I stayed with XOOPS.

What do you like the most about XOOPS?

What I like most about XOOPS is the way it could be hacked and the ease of use. The code is far from perfect, but it is easy to adapt. Even being a low-level-programmer you can get some nice and quick results.

In what area of XOOPS do you contribute and why?

Answering questions on the forums, making small hacks to make XOOPS better and developing my own module. Repairing xoopsforge on dev.xoops.org is another thing which keeps me busy. At the moment I am focused on my module (debaser), which is a nightmare, because I have so many ideas, but not enough time / knowledge.

What you you major achievement in programming that you're most proud of?

I am most proud of [debaser](#), because the last version is nearly 5 years old and still working (with some quirks). What else? Making my modules bloated. I like the freedom of choice, but often I exaggerate a bit with the options -> see also [tinyeditor](#) which should be called hugeeditor.

What are your hobbies, when you're not coding?

Playing a bit handball, playing rough with my dog and playing games on PS1, PS2, PS3 and PSP (who shouted fanboy?).

You favorite dish and drink?

Pancake, Pizza with Tuna (+ hot + garlic), Lasagna and [Boerek](#) (Turkish food).

What about movies and music?

Any movie with action, blood and violence, SciFi movies and sometimes comedy.

My favorite music depends on what is inside the CD changer in my car. At the moment it is [Tocotronic](#), Sampler with German Indie Classics, [Kitchens of Distinction](#), [Wolfsheim](#) and [Deine Lakaien](#).

If you would have a chance for a 30 seconds commercial with a message to the world, what would you say?

It won't take 30 seconds anyway: *While you are here, make your personal hell a comfortable one.*

If you could choose a place and time to live, what would it be and why?

I am quite satisfied with the time I live in.

Who is the person that you would like to meet and why?

The persons I would like to meet already passed away or don't give a ????? about me. I am too negative, I know, so here some not so negative answers: [Leonardo da Vinci](#), because I would like to see a real genius at work. [Charon](#), asking him if he already delivered Elvis. [Frank Black](#) (Pixies), drinking some beer with him.

04. XOOPS Innovation Award



Our **XOOPS Innovation Award** is given to people who create something very unique and very innovative for XOOPS! We are clear that XOOPS can only succeed, when we push the limits of our creativity, imagination, and innovation to "infinity and beyond" 🤖. And therefore we would like to recognize people who create this "WOW!" effect, when we see what they've done. The **XOOPS Innovation Award** is not a monthly award, i.e. theoretically, there might be a month where we won't give one, but we certainly hope that this will never happen 😊



This month the Innovation Award goes to **Cointin Maxime** ([kraven_30](#)) from France for his innovative work on his [TDMCreate](#) module

Where are you from, and where do you live now?

I am from France and I live in Avignon near Marseille

How long have you been programming?

For only 2 years. I was studying electronic sciences , but I prefer more programming. Now I will specialize in programming and computer sciences in an engineering college

What is your expertise?

My studies are focusing on development of industrial applications but we learn to be versatile in programming languages

What got you to XOOPS?

I learn about XOOPS when I was looking for a CMS to create an astronomy association website for my mother.

What do you like the most about XOOPS?

First the community and the support, then I love this kind of open source project where all countries are working for a purpose : XOOPS

Why did you decide to work on the TDMCreate?

I had the idea for few months to do this kind of module. I know that there are many people who try to make modules but they are not able. For me, when I started working on XOOPS, I would have preferred a module like this to see how codes are structured in XOOPS module. Now, I am used to avoid coding classes and the admin - it is easier to just fill in a form

What is your ultimate goal for TDMCreate? What other features do you plan to add?

As a first step, fix bugs, and then improve user area .

If you could add one feature to XOOPS, what would it be?

More integration of AJAX in XOOPS, especially in the form area to prove that XOOPS is modern

What is your major achievement in programming that you're most proud of?

In fact I am proud of everything that I did in XOOPS, especially Catads modifications and TDMCreate

What are your hobbies, when you're not coding?

Being with my friends, celebrate parties, play rugby and go to the cinema

You favorite dish and drink?

I love the [raclette](#) and the [lasagna](#) and my favorite drink is Heineken 😊.

What about movies and music?

I love actions and science-fictions films. Regarding music, no preferences, I really listen to everything except the RAP

If you would have a chance for a 30 seconds commercial with a message to the world, what would you say?

Respect our Home: the Earth

If you could choose a place and time to live, what would it be and why?

At the time of Napoleon Bonaparte, I would like to know how he governed people and what was his way of thinking regarding attack strategies

Who is the person that you would like to meet and why?

Hum... I think it would be Nicholas Cage. I love this person, all his films are so important and attractive, he is a successful person.

05. New/Updated Modules



- [Xurl - available for download](#)
- [Release of indexscan RC 01](#)
- [TDMDownloads 1.0](#)

- [Tad Modules converted into English](#)
- [XOOPS TadGallery 1.3 English Version](#)
- [Xsitemap by Urbanspaceman](#)
- [Formulize 3.11 minor update released](#)
- [Indexscan 1.0 RC](#)
- [X.S.N.I.F. Share](#)
- [Xoops S.N.I.F.](#)
- [XoopsGallery2 With Xoops 2.3.3 Fixes](#)
- [Video Tube v1.85](#)
- [Jobs 4.0](#)

06. New Hacks



- [A singleton to access your data classes](#)
- [Parameters class for methods of classes ...](#)

07. Security Issues/Alerts



- [Security Patch for XOOPS 2.3.3](#)

08. YAXS, Sites using XOOPS





- [The Austin Project](#)
- [AirnavSystems - Teleradar Live \(news version\)](#)
- [YESSERA - Migration to XOOPS](#)
- [Biomudas - New website in XOOPS from Brazil](#)
- [Designburo.nl is proud to announce another XOOPS website](#)

09. Tutorials/Add-ons



- [Jquery: Form validation+Rounded Corners+List Items](#)
- [Javascript+Jquery. A simple Beginning](#)
- [Jquery usefull plugins](#)
- [Ajax calls directly from Jquery](#)
- [How to properly configure your XOOPS Cache](#)

10. New/Updated Themes



- [FREE Xoops Theme Sd-043-3D-GreenEffects](#)
- [FREE Design Sd-048-Smart-Blue](#)
- [NEW Free Theme Sd-050-Streaks](#)
- [Free webhosting theme](#)
- [Xoops Theme Sd-049-Stone](#)
- [My first fixed width theme for xoops](#)

- [FREE Theme Sd-048-Smart-Red](#)
- [2 beta themes released](#)

11. New Translations



- [Persian](#) for for 2.4.0
- [Bulgarian](#) for 2.4.0
- [French](#) for 2.4.0
- [Danish](#) for 2.4.0
- [German](#) for 2.4.0
- [Russian](#) for 2.4.0
- [Turkish](#) for 2.4.0

We are still looking for more translations!!! Can you help? [See the list here](#)

12. News from around the World

