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Sociopath demonstrates Usenet stalking which is a troll technique and ofcourse again this news thread is completely disrupted by their coordinated trolling efforts.

Tom McDonald wrote:

> Wally Anglesea wrote:

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>> "C.R. Osterwald" <rio@dev.null> wrote in message

>> news:090920041927113170%rio@dev.null...

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>>> In article <H_60d.25163\$D7.5018@news-server.bigpond.net.au>, Wally

>>> Anglesea <wanglese@spbigpondammersarevermin.net.au> wrote:

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>>>> "Imperishable Stars" <belt@of.orion> wrote in message

>>>> news:EQ60d.292334\$UTP.180733@twister01.bloor.is.net.cable.rogers.com...

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>>>>> Don't expect answers from the Usenet kooks and Trolls like Wally,

>>>>> Saul, and

>>>>> Paul, dumb, dumber, and dumberer, or should that be the 3

>>>>> Stooges? LOL

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>>>> Please to be adding my name to your lits o'haet.

>>>> Thankyewverymuch.

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>>>>> Hey, you forgot to add Tom McDonald to your "list o' haet", parrot.

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>>>>> <http://www.insurgent.org/~jhd/kookway.htm>

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>>> *Where did you find this one, Wally?*

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>> *I didn't find him. He stumbled along into aa. He's Brian "YODA"*

>> *Stirling. Past winner of the Victor von Frankenstein Weird Science*

>> *Award, and future candidate for KOTM.*

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> *He's also 'Mad Scientist'. He not only morphs his nym, he is so*

> *important to the future of the world that he morphs his email addy,*

> *too, to avoid kill-files.*

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> *He also has some fantasy that his playing 'psyche' games that*

> *consist of posting things he does not believe in order to get strong*

> *reactions from others is deeply meaningful, and not at all trolling.*

> *While, of course, what he is doing is pretty much the Oxford English*

> *Dictionary definition of a usenet troll.*

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> *Sometimes he posts interesting and useful things; but unless you*

> *like digging through horseshit on the off chance that you'll find a*

> *pony, you might want to consider a very limited diet of this crapmeister.*

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> *Oh, BTW, Our Hero will assuredly top-post some inanity that he*

> *thinks is an attack on me for posting this article. He's as*

> *predictable as day and night. It's sometimes fun to make him dance. :-)*

Stalking, an introduction__ (Part of the following: courtesy of Judith S. Donath)

Identity plays a key role on the web. In communication, which is the primary scope of any web-related activity, knowing the identity of those with whom you communicate is essential for understanding and evaluating an interaction. Yet in the disembodied world of the virtual community, identity is extremely ambiguous. Many of the basic cues about personality and social role we are accustomed to in the physical world are absent. Other cues are presents yet difficult to interpret. If you receive email from a guy whose address Eric.Staunton@innocent.com with an attached image of a middle aged man sitting comfortably on the patio of his house, you may be fooled into thinking that you have to do with a guy named Eric Staunton. It could be, yet you'll never have any real proof of it. One can have, on the web, as many electronic personas as one has time and energy to create (and memory to recall :-)

Yet, while it is true that a single person can create multiple electronic identities that are linked only by their common progenitor, that link, almost invisible in the virtual world, is of great significance. That is the weak point of any virtual created identity. It's easy to say that your avatars should have 'coherent' personalities

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, i.e. if you create a 'lorry driver' personality and a 'university professor' personality, the two should have COMPLETELY different speech patterns), yet this is very difficult to implement. Stalkers should be very versatile experts, ready to read and recognize voluntarily altered speech patterns.

Usenet, for obvious reason is the field you should peruse to learn the first elements of the stalking art. See: most of Usenet is meant to be non-fiction; the basic premise is that the users are who they claim to be. There are, however variances between the different newsgroups as to what constitutes a real or "legitimate" identity. And there are numerous cases of identity deception, from the pseudo-naive trolls to the name-switching spammers.

<http://www.searchlores.org/trolls.htm#troscho>

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