Subject: Re: The Pointsfix and the Game Listings Posted by tanzying on Wed, 04 Nov 2009 04:14:20 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Spoony wrote on Tue, 03 November 2009 20:08

tanzying wrote on Tue, 03 November 2009 19:59If someone couldn't think logically and got himself into a situation I didn't care about, I too would say that it's his/her own problem.

However, you are trying to push a few causes here because you care about the community. Your efforts are being hindered due to negative emotional baggage you have with some of its members. Therefore, their problem of being unable to think logically is giving you problems. ...which is entirely their fault.

tanzying wrote on Tue, 03 November 2009 19:59I never said don't defend yourself at all. I say it is fine to defend yourself, but do it in a less incendiary way. For example: the examples you give are several orders of magnitude more civilised than the way i've been treated, and yet who in the equation do you criticise?

Perhaps. But it is you, not them, who wants a change in the status quo. If you care so much about this a00 name issue, the onus is on you to go out of your way to engage them.

There are three outcomes to this. Which one do you really want?

1. You decide you have had enough of your opponents' treatment and decide not to care anymore. The a00 names stay with their owner because no one cares anymore.

2. You prove to everyone logically that jelly is being unreasonable in giving the names up, countering every attack launched at you on the way. The a00 names stay with their owner because you have soured relationships too much for them to even consider it.

3. You make an honest, sincere attempt to rebuild ties, persevering in spite of all provocations, calming your opponents to the point where they are again willing to listen to reason. Then, you bring back your logical reasoning, albeit with none of the scathing, sarcastic phrases, and eventually manage to get jelly to give up the names, or at least compromise on the matter.

The current outcome seems to be no. 2. But hey, the future can yet be changed with effort.

And if you happen to be hoping for no. 4, where:

4. You prove to everyone logically that jelly is being unreasonable in giving the names up. Your opponents suddenly have an epiphany where they realize that they have been unreasonable, publicly admit it and apologize to you, and give up the names, just as you think they should have done all along.

...it only requires a little realism and pragmatism to see why this is a bit too much to hope for.