

Loggie 1.0

Overview

Are your server error logs hard or impossible to retrieve? Do you even know how to get them? Loggie can help!

If your host is anything like mine, your log files are hard to get to. When they are available, they're slow to retrieve. In my case, it takes 5 minutes or more for a log to appear in the log file - and I must download it repeatedly looking for the errors I'm trying to find.

Loggie is a system plugin that captures those errors destined for the PHP error log file. These errors are deposited into a database table and displayed within the plugin "Logs" tab. No more searching for log files, sifting through them, begging your host to get current logs - Loggie cuts out the middle man.

Usage is simple. When you need to capture the logs for fast review - enable the plugin. It's that simple.

The only other option is to clear the Loggie Logs table, which triggers the plugin to return all of the logs to their original destination.

Warnings:

- Loggie is for temporary use only. Extended use can and likely will fill your database.
- Loggie inserts a warning on every page while it is enabled - reminding administrators that it is enabled and should be disabled ASAP.
- I will not answer questions asking how to disable the warning message. When you're knowledgeable enough to figure out how to disable the message, you'll understand why you should disable the plugin instead.

Installation

1. Download Loggie from the RicheyWeb download page.
 - This page will remain unlinked, as the link may change in the future. Visit <http://www.richeyweb.com> and use the search feature - search for "Loggie".
2. In Joomla /administrator, go to the "Extensions" menu, the "Manage" sub-menu, and the "Install" sub-menu.
3. Select the "Upload Package File" tab
4. Press the "Choose File" button to browse your system and locate the plugin file you downloaded
5. Press the "Upload & Install" button

At this point, the extension is installed but not enabled. You can find the plugin by going to the Extensions menu and selecting "Plugins". When in the plugin manager, search for "Loggie".

Configuration

There is only one configuration, and that is the option to return captured logs to the log file. Basic use - enable the plugin and do whatever you need to do in order to generate a log. When you're finished, disable the plugin and explore the captured logs on the "Logs" tab in the plugin.

HELP

No, I will not explain how to turn off the warning message. Report any bugs.