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Topic: New user accounts suspended - spam comments and user deletion.

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We have been targeted lately by an extremely large surge of spammers.

Most of the spammers use what we call spambots. Computer programs that join the site and post spam as comments, threads in the forums, pm's, or just weird links and or code that appear when you view their user accounts.

We are trying to get these guys under control by the spambot were creating upwards to 750 accounts per day and each seem to have a different IP address.

Because of this we have turned off new user accounts to the main heromorph site. for the time being if you have a friend or family that would like to join Heromorph send me a PM and I can work with you to hook them up with an account.

Also for any member that has a spam comment on a picture or item on the site. please post a link here so that we can take care of it.

So far I have deleted well over 2500 accounts so far and have a lot of work left to do. I estimate around 10,000 - 15,000 additional user accounts or so still need removal. Most of the spammer accounts have a few things in common, but it is not an exact science. If you are a person and your account has been accidentally removed during this process. I am sorry. please contact us to have this fixed.

We are looking into other options to stop the spambots from creating new accounts. Due to the software we use to run the site our options are somewhat limited. We will advise when new users can join again.

Thank you