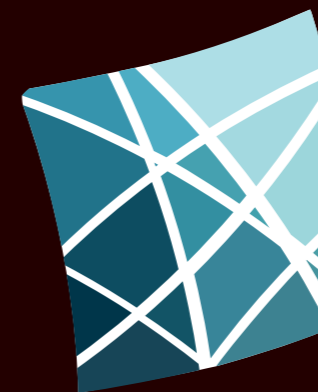# Unknown Plone

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Getting Started
- assumes admin access

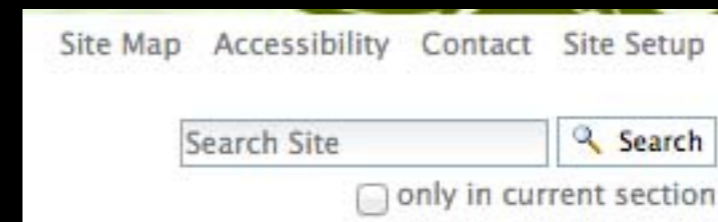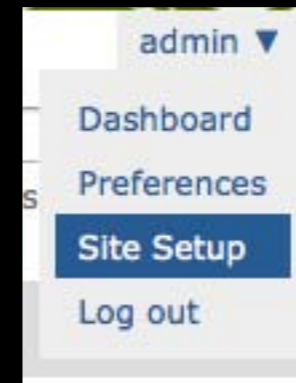flickr/Jinx!

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* If there is no login link, type:

/login

or

/login_form

at the end of the URL.

Site Setup

Access using:

* User dropdown (Plone 4)

* Site Actions (Plone < 4)

* /plone_control_panel

admin ▼
Dashboard
Preferences
Site Setup
Log out

Site Map   Accessibility   Contact   Site Setup

Search Site   🔍 Search
                     ☐ only in current section

Finding Plone Version

Know what version of Plone you are using!

Find the version at the bottom of Site Setup

Plone Version Overview
- Plone 3.3.5
- CMF 2.1.2
- Zope (unreleased version, python 2.
- Python 2.4.5 (#2, Nov 7 2011, 22:2
- PIL 1.1.6

Check the Products

Site Setup > Add-ons

Learn about the products at

plone.org or pypi.python.org

Add/Remove Products

▲ Up to Site Setup

This is the Add-on Products install section, you can add and remove products in the lists below.

To make new products show up here, add them to your buildout configuration, run buildout, and restart the server process. For detailed instructions see Installing a third party product .

┌─ Products available for install ───

☐ 📄 **Easy Slideshow 1.1**
   Easy Slideshow installation profile

☐ 📄 **Marshall 1.2.1**

☐ 📄 **NuPlone 1.0b3**
   An alternative theme for Plone 3

☐ 📄 **OpenID Authentication Support 1.1**
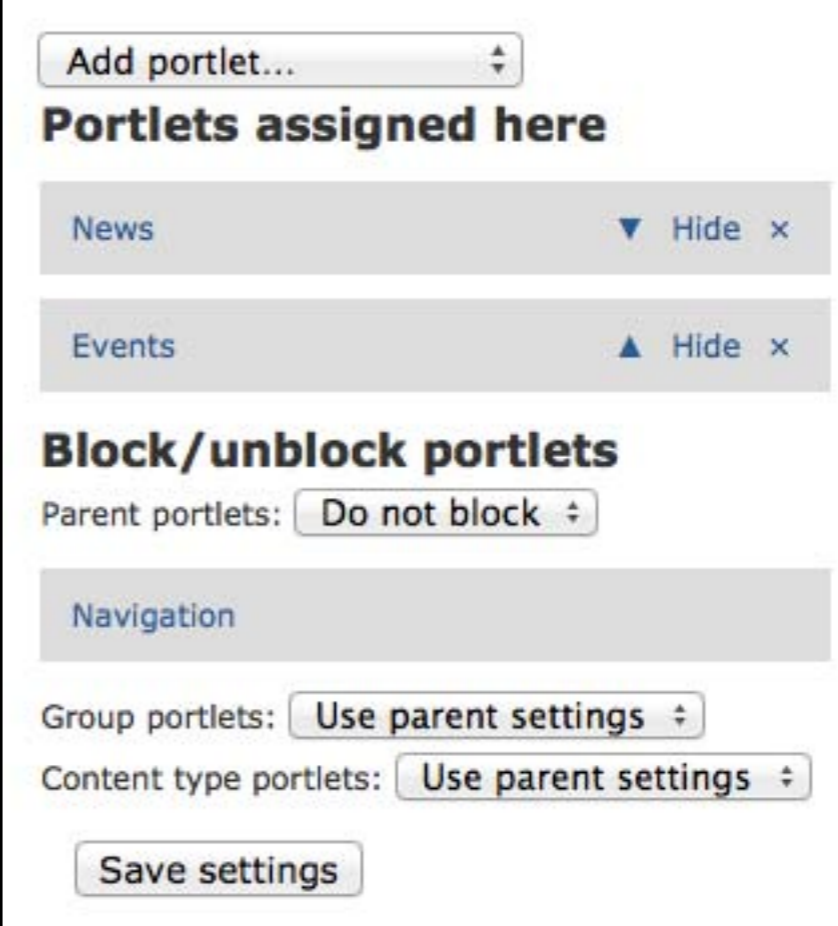   Adds support for authenticating with OpenID credentials in a Plone site

Changes in the Site
- content updates

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Portlet Issues

I commonly get 'bugs' about portlets not displaying.

This is usually caused by a misunderstanding of how the portlets work.

Q: Portlets are not being inhereted down through a folder.

A: The portlet may have been assigned to the page set at the folder's default view.

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Portlet Issues

Q: I addd a Login portlet, but when I view the page, it is not there.

A: The Login portlet is only visible to anonymous users.

Portlet Issues

Q: The News/Events/Collection portlet is not displaying

A: These portlets will not display if they have no content to display.

Portlet Issues

Q: The navigation portlet is not displaying.

A: This likely is because of the portlet's settings.
  * Start Level
  * Only show contents of current folder
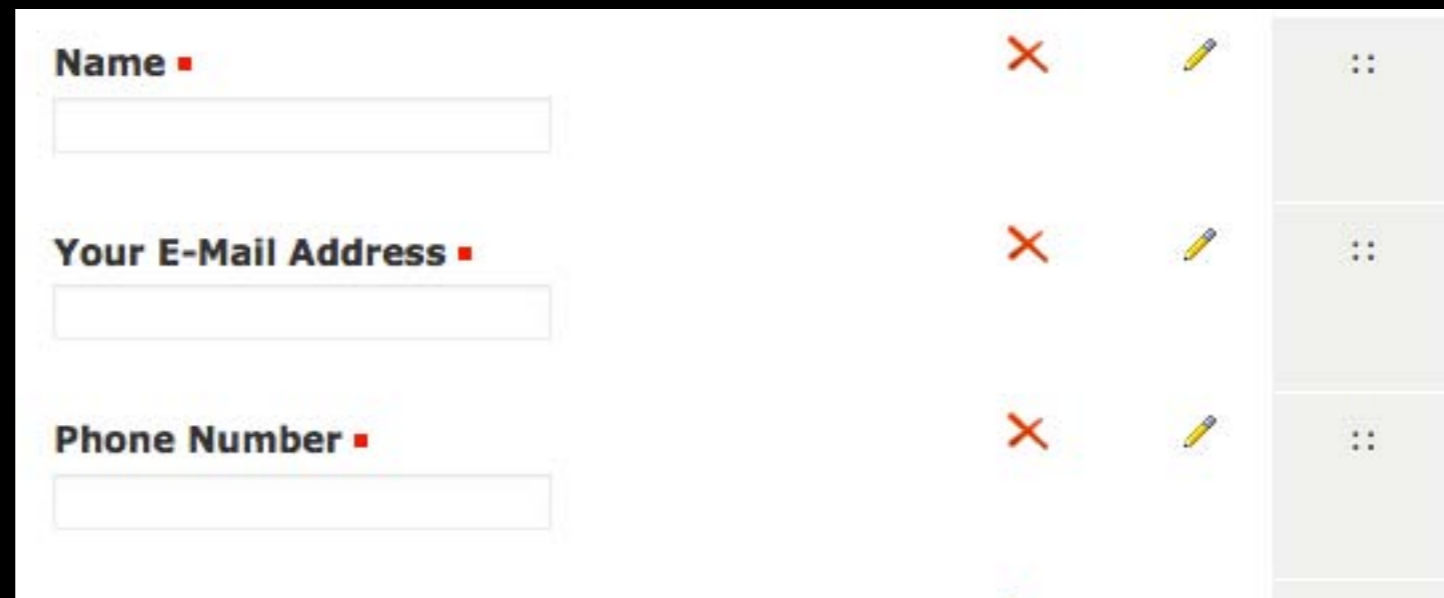
Collections/Topics

Yes, they are super confusing, unless you have a new Plone 4.2 site.

Go back to View with each change to make sure the collection is returning what you want.

Forms

* The default Plone Contact form is a template,
not easily editable
* If you are using PloneFormGen, each field is editable in the site

Adding Analytics

Site Setup > Site > JavaScript for web statistics support

* Does currently insert code at the bottom of the site, Google Analytics now says the best place to put their code is in the header.

Embedding Videos

The visual editor strips out certain code.

* Go to Site Setup > HTML Filtering
* Remove necessary tags from Nasty tags and
Stripped tags
* Add necessary tags to Custom tags
* Usually iframe, object, embed

Template Changes
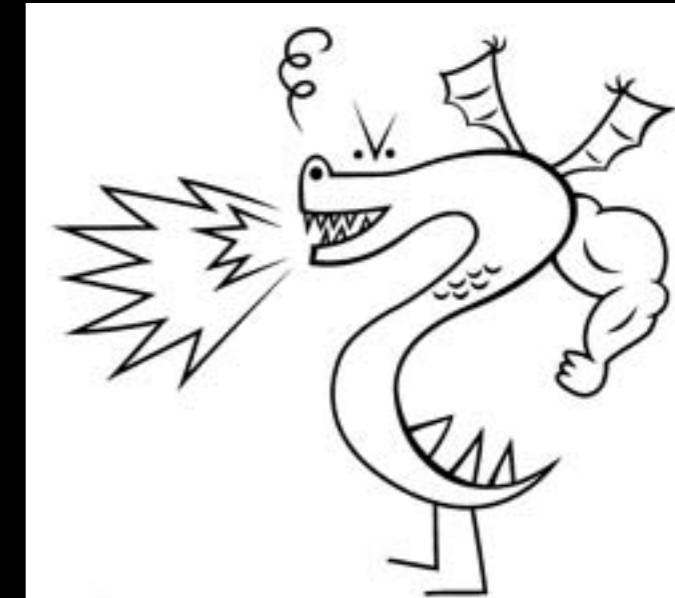## - roll up your sleeves

flickr/Barnshaws

Ideal Practices

If you know how, and everything is set up, the
best way to make template updates is to:
* update the code in a customization package
* check in that code to a version repository
* test the code
* release the code to production

The ZMI

/manage

Beyond here there be dragons!

Plone
- Members
- ⊞ acl_users
- archetype_tool
- events
- Ⓐ mimetypes_regist
- news
- ⊞ ● portal_actions
- portal_catalog
- ● portal_controlpan
- ● portal_membersh
- ⓘ portal_metadata
- portal_modifier
- portal_properties
- portal_quickinstal

| Contents | Components | View | Properties | Security | Undo | Ownership | Interfaces | Find | Workflows |

Plone Site at **/Plone**   Help!

ATContentTypes tool ▾   Add

Type	Name	Size	Last Modified
►►	HTTPCache		2013-05-24 16:58
🖃	MailHost		2013-05-24 16:58
📁	Members (Users) 🖉	1 Kb	2013-05-24 16:58
►►	RAMCache		2013-05-24 16:58
►►	ResourceRegistryCache (Cache for saved ResourceRegistry files)		2013-05-24 16:58
📊	acl_users		2013-05-24 16:58
🏛	archetype_tool		2013-05-24 16:58
◎	caching_policy_manager		2013-05-24 16:58

Footer Updates

* Likely in ZMI > portal_view_customizations > plone.footer or plone.colophon

* Click the customize button

* Now it can be found under the Contents tab

Global Navigation Updates

* By default, the tabs are dynamically generated
    Site Setup > Navigation
* Links 'excluded from navigation' will not display
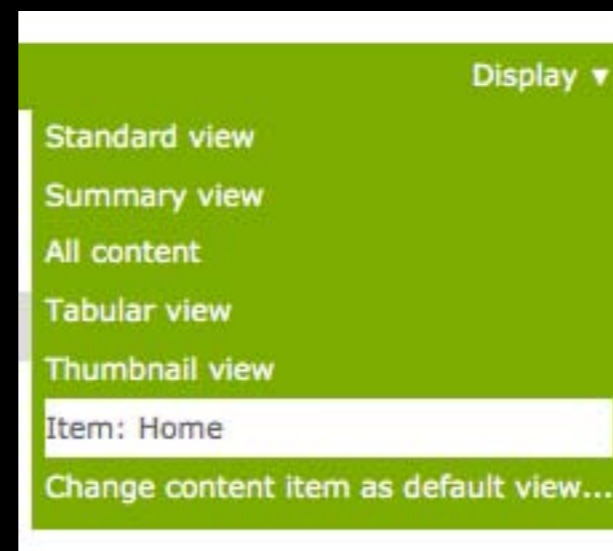* Tabs may be semi-hard-coded in
    portal_actions > portal_tabs

More portal_actions

* Hide the Login link in portal_actions > user
* Update header/footer links in site_actions

Page Templates

First figure out what template you need to change

* Look at the Display menu
* Look at classes applied to the body

Display ▼
Standard view
Summary view
All content
Tabular view
Thumbnail view
Item: Home
Change content item as default view...

Content may be static in the template, or being pulled from another part of the site.

The template might provide this information, or its view class (not visible in the ZMI).

Do a site search for the content.

Finding Images

Once an image is entered in the visual editor, it's
not always easy to tell where it lives in the site.
You can:

* search the site for the image if you know the ti-
tle

* use a web inspector to get the image URL. Add
/view to the end to get Plone's edit page for the
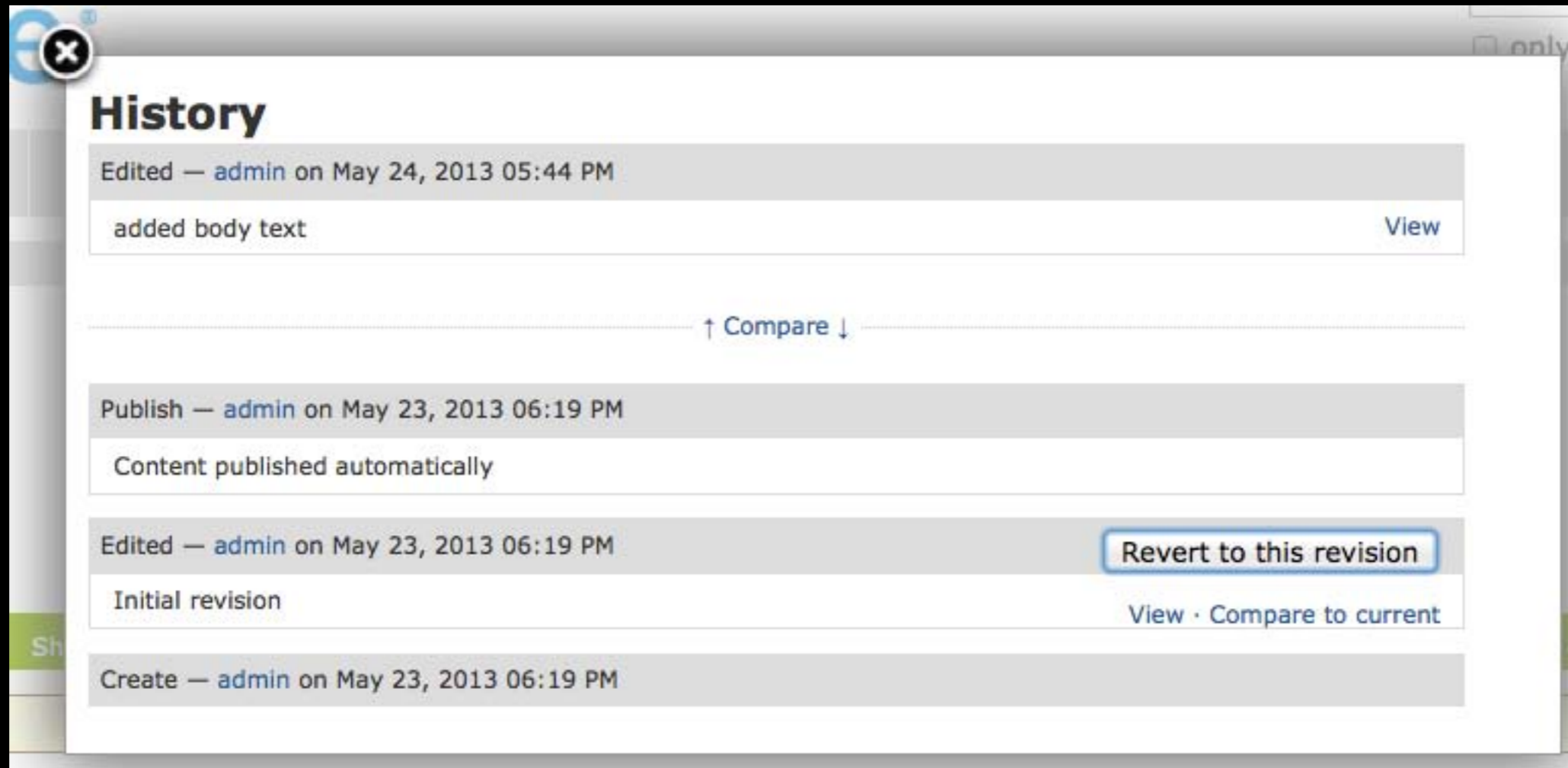image.

Update Styles

custom folder

css registry

* Caching - changes may not display immediately
* Diazo/XDV/Deliverance - content may not be in a Plone template, but a static theme

I Broke Everything!

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* Don't Panic
* Item history, revert to previous revision
* ZMI Undo tab

History

Edited — admin on May 24, 2013 05:44 PM

added body text   View

↑ Compare ↓

Publish — admin on May 23, 2013 06:19 PM

Content published automatically

Edited — admin on May 23, 2013 06:19 PM   Revert to this revision

Initial revision   View · Compare to current

Create — admin on May 23, 2013 06:19 PM

Tips to help yourself and others in the future

* Before changing the Display of a page, note the current display

* Backup the data before making major changes

* Design the navigation (and everything really) to be flexible

* add site help page/folder

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