

## Re: Login screen

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> "Steve" <[sverdee@optonline.net](mailto:sverdee@optonline.net)> wrote in message

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>> Hi all. All of a sudden my computer opens up to a log in screen, with only

>> my account listed. I have to click on my name to open windows. I'm running

>> XP Professional. I do see another user in the Control Panel, called ASP.Net

>> Machine A, which was never there before. I realize I can delete this user.

>> Does anyone know why I have to login all of a sudden, and how this other user got there? And how I can turn this login screen off? I'm used to just

>> having Windows open to my account, which btw is the only one I set up here.

>> Thanks in advance.

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> Ok, I was able to get rid of it by deleting the other account. Strange since

> that account was not up on the screen for selection to login. Strange also

> since I don't know where it came from. I did a search for "ASP.Net" and got

> some info on it. But I'll be dammed if I know how it became a user on my machine. Oh well.

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I've just had exactly the same problem on my machine. Suddenly I was introduced to the login screen after a recently installed windows 'security' update. (I shall post further details when I find them). Could this be a potential loophole in windows that somebody has managed to get through via a

trojan or other method? I've had no warnings from Norton Antivirus/Norton Internet Security. I have also deleted the ASP.net account. I now wonder if this was a wise move.

I also recently have a problem with 'Windows messenger' popup adverts which I investigated via google. I discovered that there is a security/networking loophole in WinXP and wonder if this could be connected? To solve it I had to re-enable the built in WinXP firewall on my (ADSL) connection. I believed NIS would cover this form of attack but discovered the WinXP built-in firewall is the only remedy. I also did as recommended and stopped/disabled 'messenger' in Admin Tools/Services.

I cross post this to the (hopefully) relevant groups in the hope that somebody may be able to help a 'novice' (I have been using a standalone windows PC for years, but security has only really been a major issue since I installed ADSL, which I've now had for nearly a year without problems until around a week ago). As this was the only example I could find of this problem I wonder if it may be rare and/or unrecognised and perhaps this will make other users aware of a potential problem.  
Can any networking gurus out there spread any light on this?