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A Promising Alternative for Google Reader

GobbleRSS

RSS Feeds provide a common method to read the latest news from various sources. Even more, the RSS technology allows to publish and distribute web content through web feeds. If you are using different computers to access your RSS news then an online feed aggregator service, like Google Reader, will help in this direction. GobbleRSS is an RSS feeds aggregator made in PHP programming language with MySQL database support. As a consequence, it is web based and allows you to access your RSS news from any computer that has an Internet connection. Regarding functionality, GobbleRSS PHP application is inspired by a previous version of Google Reader. It works on any PHP version, but requires on the client side the usage of Mozilla Firefox web browser. Internet Explorer does not render correctly the PHP output.In order to simplify the installation you can change the .htaccess file into htaccess.txt. The database tables will be created automatically after you specify the username and password into config.inc.php file. After you finish the installation, you will be able to add your prefered RSS links in the Subscription section. The script also provide the option to import RSS feeds from another reader in OPML file format.The web interface is very intuitive and RSS feeds can be updated manually or automatically if you have access to cron jobs on your web server. The most interesting feature provided by GobbleRSS is the possibility to synchronize your PDA with all unread articles. You can control the number of synchronized articles by editing the corresponding script line in config.inc.php file. If you want to install the application with the .htaccess file, the usage and editing of .htaccess files must be permitted on the hosting web server. In order to test GobbleRSS PHP application on localhost or a web hosting account, it can be downloaded from **here**.

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