

## WinPack Auto Bulletin Download Tips

Paul g4apl has seen many pleas for help with regards getting WinPack v6.80 Auto Bulletin to work with FBB version 7.x.x. To date Paul has never used WinPack for Mail or Bulletins. Has only tested it as a terminal program and prefers PaKet6.2 for his use with a TNC.

i.e.

"I am trying to set up the auto bulletin download with WinPack v6.80 but seem to be having a little trouble in getting it to work.

WinPack auto connect and checks for my mail but does not down load or upload bulletins or mail"

These are some of the advice that has been given by other well informed Radio Amateurs that use WinPack.

Hope this useful for you in solving your problem.

73 Paul g4apl

### **Tip1**

First run WinPack, click on the Help, Help Contents, at the top of the screen.

Two windows should appear side by side.

In the right one click on Auto BBS session and read it first.

Next go to the Options drop down box and click on it.

Click on Personal/BBS Info and go to the bottom right corner where it says List.

In the Bulletins box make sure you have the following in there EXACTLY,

!r \$num- then !m in the Personal box.

Click OK when done.

Test again

### **Tip2**

Have you setup the Selection List Editor in Winpack?

The "TO" and "Not TO" boxes etc can be empty.

One the right hand side (Auto Times)

Set the times you want to connect (in the little white box above "OK")

example: using the 24 hr clock

00:20 Mail

00:40 Mail

01:20 Mail

01:40 PRUNE

Also under (Mail)Mail Options, put a tick in the top three boxes

Use Compressed Forwarding

Use Compressed Download

Use split sessions.

under Options

tick enable remote

### **Tip3**

Check out the contents in the following URL

[http://www.theskywaves.net/ax25/UserManIWinPack6\\_80\\_page\\_185\\_186.pdf](http://www.theskywaves.net/ax25/UserManIWinPack6_80_page_185_186.pdf)

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### **Tip4**

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[http://www.theskywaves.net/fbb/FBB\\_WINPACK\\_COMPRESS\\_FORWARDING\\_TIP.pdf](http://www.theskywaves.net/fbb/FBB_WINPACK_COMPRESS_FORWARDING_TIP.pdf)

### **Tip5**

This is all covered in the WinPack Help File or the Manual

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### **Tip6**

Hi Paul,

I thought I would give you an update re my forwarding probs...

I am not sure how well you know Winpack but I edited the packet.ini file so that it does not try to auto resume and so far so good!

I was watching carefully what was happening and it was seeming to crash when it was 'resuming' a broken download/upload.

So fingers crossed!

It will probably crash when I upload this message - hi...