For many people, Wikipedia (powered by MediaWiki) was their first contact with wikis. MediaWiki has a very nice interface and has done an amazing job to get Wikis known to the public, via Wikipedia. MediaWiki/Wikipedia is probably the best thing that happened to the Wiki world since Ward Cunningham invented the wiki in 1995.

MediaWiki is excellent to make an encyclopedia. However, it is not designed to be an Intranet/corporate wiki with an advanced permission system. Also, MediaWiki is "only" a wiki. It doesn't have extra features like forums, trackers, blogs, etc. Maybe these features will eventually be added to Mediawiki, but it doesn't seem imminent.

Users which want more can use some glueware to combine a Wiki and an existing full featured CMS (ex.: Drupal + MediaWiki or Xoops + MediaWiki) or they can choose Tiki Wiki/CMS/Groupware.

There are apparently millions of MediaWiki installs. In contrast, there are "only" tens of thousands installs of TikiWiki. While this number is very good, we can expect more & more people will want to migrate from MediaWiki to TikiWiki. Even if a small proportion of MediaWiki installs migrated to Tiki, it
would still be a very large influx of users.

Tiki can already look like WikiPedia:
http://themes.tikiwiki.org/Tikipedia

One important step for Tiki's future is to have a converter from MediaWiki to TikiWiki so users can have a painless upgrade path and gain access to more features.

http://dev.tikiwiki.org/MediaWiki+to+TikiWiki+converter

Related:

- Wiki markup for icons
- Universal Wiki Edit Button
- Support some of the MediaWiki syntax that doesn't conflict with TikiWiki syntax
- Wiki editing: Preview with diff, like Mediawiki
- Infoboxes like MediaWiki/Wikipedia, but making use of trackers to be future-proof
- Support for the Wiki creole markup (syntax)

Importance
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Demonstrate Bug

Please demonstrate your bug on show2.tikiwiki.org

Version: trunk ▼ Create show2.tikiwiki.org instance

Ticket ID
1220

Created
Monday 16 July, 2007 23:31:54 GMT-0000

LastModif
Friday 15 January, 2010 04:38:20 GMT-0000

Comments

Marc Laporte 28 Jul 07 21:41 GMT-0000

(4:45:37 PM) marclaporte: hoppel_: any news on mediawiki convertor?
(4:46:52 PM) hoppel_: no, i will need to play somewhat with tiki first to understand it's syntax
(4:47:44 PM) hoppel_: maybe i will have some time for it the next two weeks
(4:48:25 PM) marclaporte: hoppel_: do you like beer?
(4:48:41 PM) hoppel_: what a question ;p

(4:48:55 PM) hoppel_: yes

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(4:49:57 PM) marclaporte: hoppel_: where do you live?
Marc Laporte  14 Aug 07 22:55 GMT-0000

Please see:

Marc Laporte  06 Sep 07 22:38 GMT-0000

from html to wiki:
http://diberri.dyndns.org/wikipedia/html2wiki/

Nathanael Lee  08 Sep 07 08:26 GMT-0000

Do really agree with this.Look forward to the convertor of tiki

Marc Laporte  04 Nov 07 17:48 GMT-0000

http://www.xwiki.org/xwiki/bin/view/Code/MediaWiki2XWiki
Saturday & Sunday 5 & 6th January 2007 -> We will be writing a MediaWiki to TikiWiki convertor

Congratulations, Marc, for:

"CodeFest2008 by marclaporte
posted on: Fri 07 of Dec, 2007 03:03

Saturday & Sunday 5 & 6th January 2007 - We will be writing a MediaWiki to TikiWiki convertor"

Marc Laporte 15 Jan 10 04:37 GMT-0000

just point your browser to tiki-importer.php

The original document is available at http://dev.tiki.org/item1220-MediaWiki-import-script