Displayed timezone field deactivated if set to Site Default even if user preference allowed

Status
 Closed

Subject
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14.x

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• Usability

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User Preferences

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Fixed

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Description
In Tiki 14, if a user sets their "Displayed timezone" preference (under User Preferences > Preferences > Displayed timezone) to "Site default" and saves this change, then whenever the Preferences page is loaded afterwards for that user:

• the "Displayed timezone" field is deactivated (i.e. cannot be changed by the user).
• the message "Warning: Site time zone xxxxx is enforced and overrides user preferences" is displayed below the field (where "xxxxx" is the default site timezone).

This occurs irrespective of Displayed time zone setting under General Preferences (i.e. even if it is set to "Use time zone set from user preferences... ", the setting still cannot be changed).
Edit 2015-11-03: This bug does not appear when using admin privileges to edit a user's settings, only when the user themselves tries to.

Solution
Fixed with commit r56624 for 14.x and merged to trunk.

Workaround
No workaround within Tiki; you need to edit the database and change the value in the display_timezone field to something other than "Site".

Edit 2015-11-03: Another workaround now noted is that a user with admin privileges can change the setting within Tiki for an affected user.

Importance
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Demonstrate Bug
Please demonstrate your bug on show2.tikiwiki.org

Version: trunk ▼ Create show2.tikiwiki.org instance

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Comments

**lindon** 03 Nov 15 03:36 GMT-0000

Hi,

I am not able to recreate this problem locally on my 14x version. An individual user is able to set his/her timezone if the admin setting allows it.

I also can't seem to log into the show instance. Are you still having this problem?

Regards,
lindon

**aexoxea** 03 Nov 15 08:17 GMT-0000

Hi lindon,
Thank you for looking into this. It looks like I accidentally changed the admin password on the show.t.o instance; apologies for that. I have now reset it to '12345', and so you should be able to log in to it.

I also found after double-checking another level to the bug. The show.t.o instance has a user called TestUser2 (password is same as username), which is exhibiting the issue.

If you log in as admin and use your privileges to change the user's preferences (e.g. through "Admin Users" > "Change User Preferences"), you can change the “Displayed timezone” field with no difficulties.

However, if you log in as TestUser2 and try to change it (e.g. through "User Information" > "Preferences"), the field is disabled and can't be changed, and the (incorrect) warning message about the enforced time zone appears. So the bug is dependent on being logged in as the user.

As a control, TestUser1 (again, password same as username) has their field set to something other than 'Site default', and the field is able to be changed when logged in as them without difficulty. There are no group differences between TestUser1 and TestUser2, so it's not a permission issue.

I have updated the report to reflect the above, and ask that someone double-check on the show.t.o instance. If confirmed, I believe this report should be re-opened (I seem to have access to do so myself, but I suspect I wouldn't be popular if I 'just did it' in this case 😬).

Thanks, aexoxea.

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Hi aexoxea,

Thanks for the good examples on show.tiki and explanations. Your were right, it wasn't closed. I thought you meant the user could never change their timezone but you meant they couldn't change it once they set it to Site default. I believe I have fixed it with commit r56624 for 14.x, and also backported to 12.x and merged with trunk. Please let me know if this doesn't fix it for you.

Thanks for reporting.

Regards,
Hi lindon,

Much appreciated 😊! I have noted this down to check at the next release and will confirm the resolution here.

Thanks, aexoxea.