

## Bugs & Wish list

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### Status

● Open

### Subject

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### Version

15.x

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### Category

- Bug

### Feature

Trackers

Wiki Plugin (extends basic syntax)

### Resolution status

New

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### Description

Each tracker can have 1 title field. When an item of that tracker is listed, the value of that field can link to `tiki-view_tracker_item.php`. When listing with the TRACKERLIST plugin, the showlinks parameter controls this behavior.

As can be seen in `Tracker_Field_Abstract::renderOutput()`, this works by surrounding the return value of `renderInnerOutput()` with opening and closing HTML a element tags.

While this works for simple field types, this is highly unreliable when rendering a textarea field which is wiki-parsed. If the parse generates a link, the result is invalid HTML.

For example, if tracker 1 contains a single Textarea field, and a single item with value "foo\n!!! title", calling the plugin with "{trackerlist trackerId="1" showlinks="y"}" will cause the field to show as a link only on the first line ("foo"), at least in Google Chrome, since a header inside a link is invalid. I am not sure why, but if listing the items from `tiki-view_tracker.php?trackerId=1` instead, the link only stops between the second and third lines (i.e. the title itself links).

This issue has probably been there from the time TRACKERLIST was written (r3627). If not, it must have been in r33456 (see `renderValue()` in <https://sourceforge.net/p/tikiwiki/code/33456/tree/trunk/lib/trackers/trackerlib.php> ).

Solution

I (Chealer) am convinced the only way to fix this is to prevent links on Textarea fields. If we want to link anyway, we should link on other fields, handle clicks around the content (in the margins), or add an explicit link icon when there is no field which allows linking.

Workaround

Do not use a textarea field as title

Importance

3

Easy to solve?

3

Priority

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Demonstrate Bug (Tiki 19+)

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Demonstrate Bug (older Tiki versions)

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