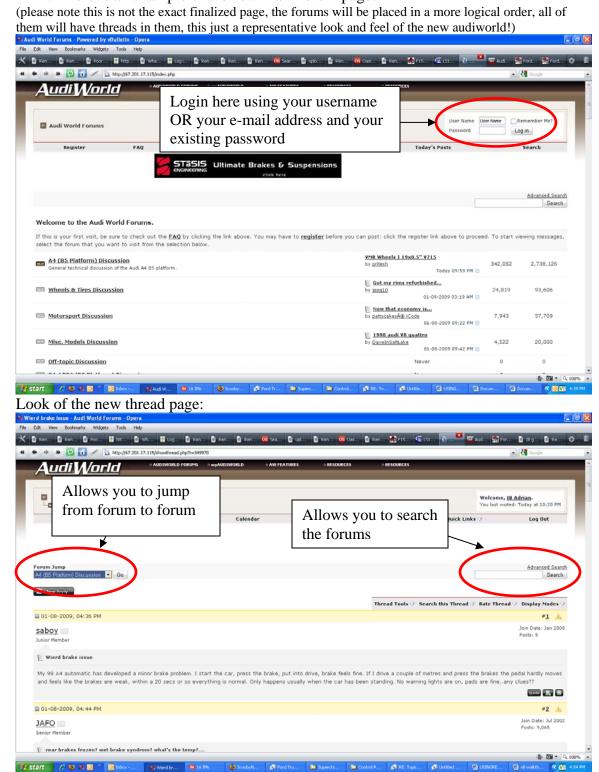
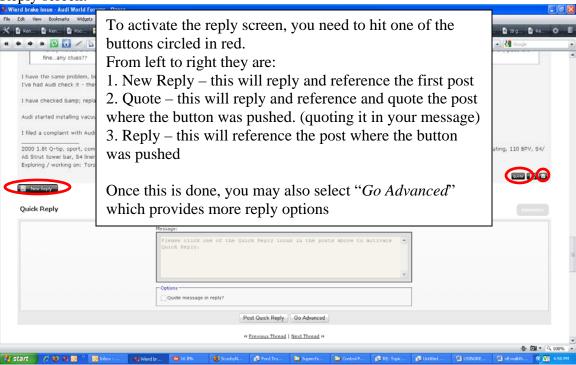
# Welcome to the new Audiworld!

This document it just a basic overview of how to utilize the new forum software that Audiworld is going to.

1. Here is an example of the new main forum page!



Reply screen:



#### Menu items

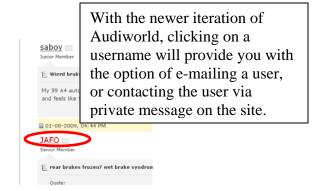
Like there is currently, there will be drop down menus for navigating throughout the site:



### **Contacting other users**

Road Test: <u>Audi A5 / S5 Cabriolet</u>
 <u>C5 A6 Forum</u> || <u>C6 A6 Forum</u> || <u>Audi allroad</u> Pricing Info





## I want to change my details!

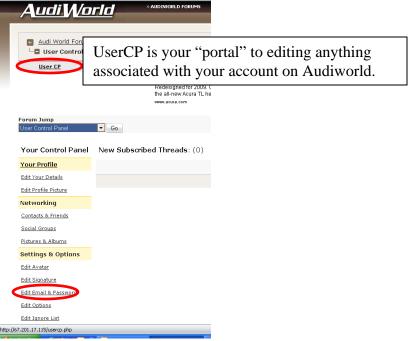
Currently on Audiworld if you wish to change your preferences, you click "Preferences" at the bottom of a thread/post. We will explain how to perform each option below.

# **Change Preferences** To change your password or update your preferences, please fill out the information Edit Password, Email Address or Screen Name Signature: Please limit pictures to no larger than 600 wide by 240 high Show Off-Topic messages? Default to hide email address in postings? Simple HTML page generation? Collapse threads? Preferences: Show all of thread instead of single messages? Default to track threads your single messages? Collapse Off-Topic branches? Default to track threads you create or followup to? Hide signatures when viewing messages? Automatically mark tracked threads as read when reading followups? (Not fully implemented yet) Show oldest replies first? Threads per page Submit Click here to return to the AudiWorld Discussion Forums

#### **Edit Password or Email Address**

This can be done by clicking on "User CP" in the top left hand corner of each page. Then selecting "Edit Email & Password".

Changing your username cannot be done with the new software.



#### Hiding/showing/collapsing Off-topic messages

Unfortunately identifying messages as off-topic will no longer be available.

#### Hiding e-mail address

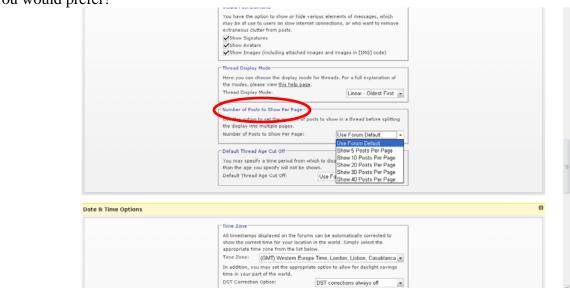
vBulletin automatically hides your e-mail address (to prevent your e-mail being picked up by a spam spider), and to e-mail a member you must utilize the inbuilt e-mail box. You can also prevent this, by selecting not to receive e-mails.

Go to your "User CP" (top left corner), select "edit options", from here ensure that the "receive e-mail from other members" check box is not selected, and hit save at the bottom of the page.



# Collapse threads/show single message

As threads are now displayed in a linear format instead of a "threaded" format, you no longer need to "collapse" threads, and threads will display a number of messages on each page. You can change the default number of pages displayed by going to "User CP" then "edit options" – scroll down, select "Number of posts to show per page", select the option you would prefer!



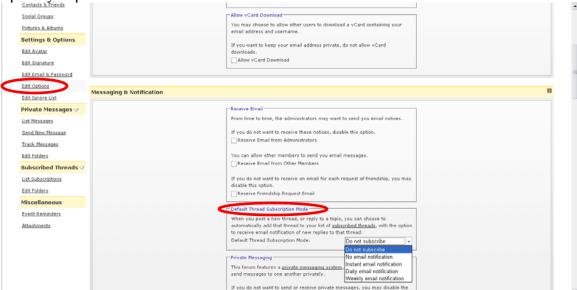
## Default to track threads you create or follow up to?

Select "User CP" from the top left.

Select "Edit Options" from the menu on the left.

Scroll down until you see: "Default Thread Subscription Mode" - change this to the

option you prefer.

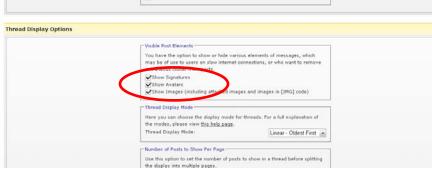


## **Hide signatures**

Select "User CP" from the top left.

Select "Edit Options" from the menu on the left.

Scroll down until you see: "Visible Post Elements". Select the options you would like to enable/disable.



#### **Show oldest replies first**

As above, just below the area to "hide signatures" is an option to edit the thread display mode. By default it will display oldest first. If you want to show the newest posts first, you can change that.

#### **Automatically mark tracked threads**

The forum software will do this by default

# Other frequently asked questions

# Why the change?

A number of reasons here!

First and most important, the software that the site is based on (Kawt) hasn't been updated since 1999, and lacks a lot of features/security requirements that have been developed over the last 10 years that the replacement software offers. It essentially didn't allow us to improve the site from what it is currently!

## Why vBulletin?

It is the most popular forum discussion software available on the Internet, and as it is owned by the owners of Audiworld it enables us to support, develop (and implement) a lot of cool new features for Audiworld.

#### Will my login details remain the same?

Yes – as mentioned above, you can log in using your email or your user id, and your existing password.

You username will stay the same.

If per chance you have forgotten your password, there is the ability to reset your password and get it sent to you via e-mail.

## Will my posts/threads be lost?

No posts or threads will be lost, they will all be accessible in the new forum. You will keep your existing post count.

#### Will threads that I have subscribed to disappear?

No – threads that you have subscribed to already you will still be subscribed to.

### Will my signature (or other areas of my account) be lost?

No. All information contained within your profile will be available as it is currently.

#### Will my posted photos be lost?

No – your photos will now go into what is called your profile album.

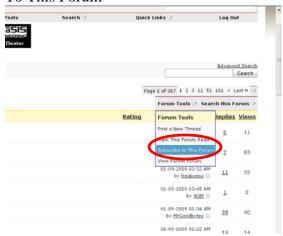
You can access your photos by clicking your user profile in the top right hand corner of the screen:



# Handy vBulletin tips!

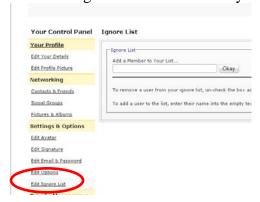
#### **Subscribed forums**

You can get daily or weekly e-mails containing the updates from your favorite forum(s). Visit the forum you wish to add, select "Forum Tools" at the top right, then "Subscribe To This Forum"



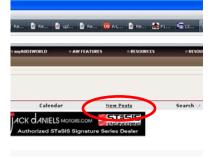
## **Ignore feature**

Don't like someone – add them to your ignore list! This will prevent you from seeing their messages! It is editable when you view any users profile, or in your own user CP!



#### **New Posts**

Want to find just new posts on the site? Clicking this button will see the threads that people have just responded to.



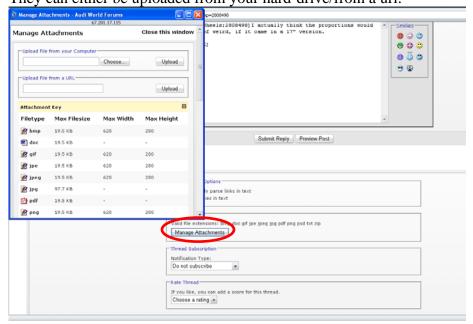
## Your photo albums

You can add photo albums to your profile. Go to your user cp. Select "Pictures & Albums". Please note, that while the server will resize photos to meet the size requirements, please have them reasonably close (in size) to the size limitations. If our server has to shrink a photo that is excessively large it may reject the upload.



## **Attaching images to posts**

You can now upload images/files to the Audiworld server and attach them to your post by selecting "Manage Attachments" when responding to posts (advanced reply only). They can either be uploaded from your hard-drive/from a url.



# Garage

On the new Audiworld we will have a feature which enables you to upload your vehicle. This allows you to upload any vehicle to your "garage" and fill in the details like modifications, quarter mile times and fuel economy. Users of the site can rate your vehicle too, and you can search for vehicles by make/model/user etc.

