

New FriendFeed layout, but there is a fix...

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Abstract

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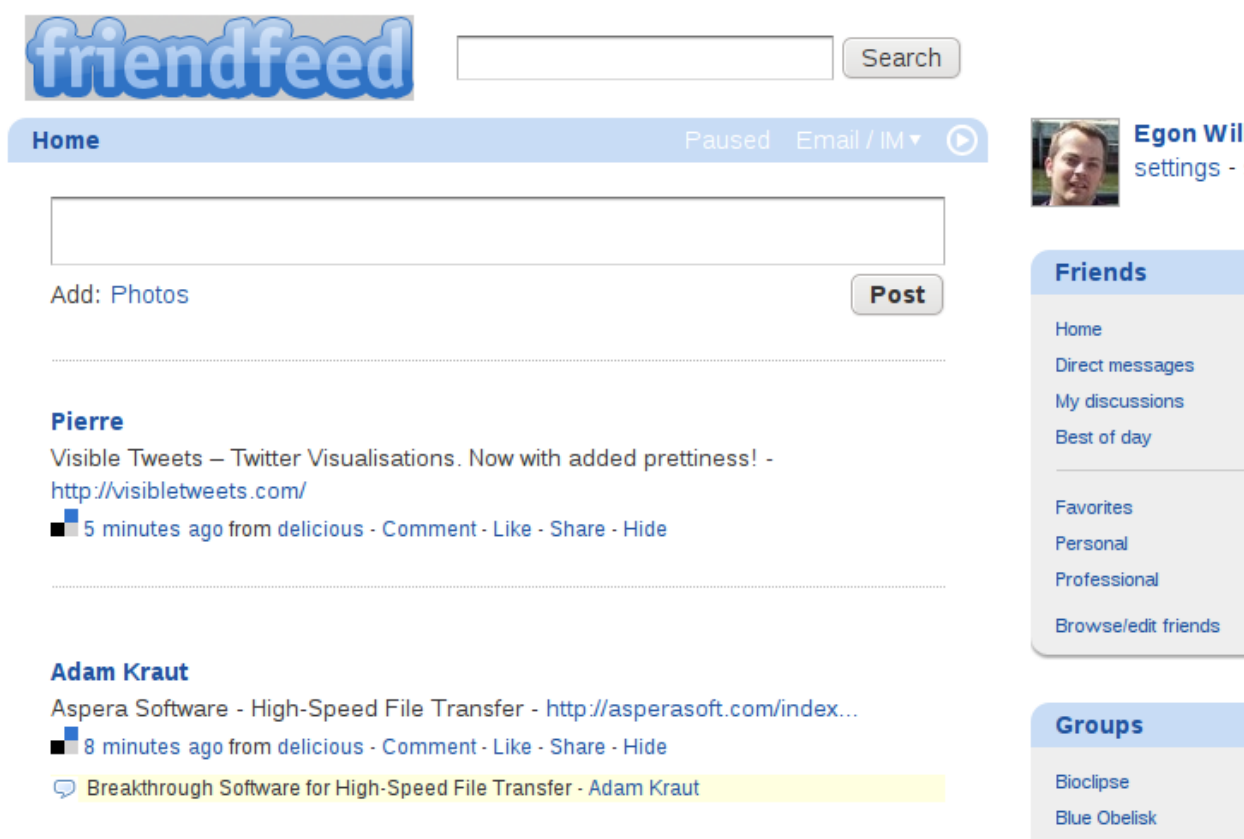
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Fortunately, [Neil](#) posted [three very useful GreaseMonkey](#) script to clean stuff (and since I use those to link science databases and resources anyway, see [Christmas Presents](#) and DOI: [10.1186/1471-2105-8-487](https://doi.org/10.1186/1471-2105-8-487)): [FriendFeed Service Icons](#), [Cleaner FriendFeed](#), and [Remove avatars from Friendfeed beta](#). The last may require the script target websites to no longer point to the beta server, but the real thing. However, by the time you read this, the script may already be updated.

After installing these, my FriendFeed page looks better again:



The screenshot displays the FriendFeed web interface. At the top left is the 'friendfeed' logo. To its right is a search bar with a 'Search' button. Below the logo is a blue navigation bar containing 'Home', 'Paused', 'Email / IM', and a play button icon. The main content area features a large text input field with an 'Add: Photos' label and a 'Post' button. Below this, two posts are visible. The first post is by 'Pierre' and contains the text 'Visible Tweets – Twitter Visualisations. Now with added prettiness! - <http://visibletweets.com/>' followed by a timestamp '5 minutes ago from delicious' and links for 'Comment', 'Like', 'Share', and 'Hide'. The second post is by 'Adam Kraut' and contains the text 'Aspera Software - High-Speed File Transfer - <http://asperasoft.com/index...>' followed by a timestamp '8 minutes ago from delicious' and the same set of interaction links. A yellow highlight is present under the second post's text. On the right side, there is a user profile for 'Egon Wil' with a 'settings' link. Below this is a 'Friends' sidebar with links for 'Home', 'Direct messages', 'My discussions', 'Best of day', 'Favorites', 'Personal', 'Professional', and 'Browse/edit friends'. At the bottom right is a 'Groups' sidebar with links for 'Bioclipse' and 'Blue Obelisk'.