# Redmine - Feature #3448

## Add issue watcher that isn't a maintainer

2009-06-04 19:14 - W Snyder

Status: Closed Start date: 2009-06-04 **Priority:** Normal Due date: % Done: Assignee: 0% **Estimated time:** 0.00 hour Category: Target version: Resolution: Duplicate

## Description

My users often file forum threads etc instead of issue reports.

I then file an issue, but need to add them as a watcher.

However the issue add-watcher doesn't list normal users (as of svn 2669.). I believe it should, perhaps with maintainers first then normal users.

#### Related issues:

Is duplicate of Redmine - Feature #5159: Ability to add Non-Member watchers t... Closed 2010-03-23

#### History

#### #1 - 2009-06-04 20:15 - Adam Piotr Żochowski

I have 60 thousand users. I can not have a simple dropdown of all potential users .

Maybe instead a manager should have a button on a thread "Make this message thread into a trackable issue", and preserve the creator (original message), while yourself have it as second message (the update, and expanding on why created from forum into issue).

I think this website, redmine.org itself, has also a lot of users and loading all of them to a dropdown is wasteful.

Kind regards

Adam Żochowski

## #2 - 2009-06-04 21:01 - W Snyder

Converting a message to an issue would be really nice, and I'd use it a lot. It doesn't 100% solve the problem though as I still get some email bug reports.

Alternatively, maybe a text box for the user name to add? It would be nice too to allow email addresses, but obviously that would be a lot more work. (This would let email issues to be entered into the database and the person replied to directly, without having to create an account for them.)

#### #3 - 2009-06-07 20:57 - Eric Davis

Adam Piotr Żochowski wrote:

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+1, I've seen reports of a large select fields (10,000s items) crash browsers.

Here's another suggestion which I've talked about with other people. Add the ability to open an issue "As someone". Example:

Eric Davis (Manager) opens a new issue as W Snyder (non-member). Now since W Synder is the "author", issue updates will be sent to that user's email address.

## #4 - 2009-06-08 04:21 - W Snyder

+1: Add the ability to open an issue "As someone".

I would like that too, but note it needs the same select-from-large-list solution.

#### #5 - 2009-06-10 11:31 - Ammler \_

Why not a "simple" textfield, where you can add the user to the watchlist?

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# #6 - 2012-06-27 00:01 - Jean-Philippe Lang

- Status changed from New to Closed
- Resolution set to Duplicate

Same as <u>#5159</u>.

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