

## Redmine - Feature #3448

### Add issue watcher that isn't a maintainer

2009-06-04 19:14 - W Snyder

<b>Status:</b> Closed	<b>Start date:</b> 2009-06-04
<b>Priority:</b> Normal	<b>Due date:</b>
<b>Assignee:</b>	<b>% Done:</b> 0%
<b>Category:</b>	<b>Estimated time:</b> 0.00 hour
<b>Target version:</b>	
<b>Resolution:</b> Duplicate	
<b>Description</b>  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.	
<b>Related issues:</b> Duplicates Redmine - Feature # 5159: Ability to add Non-Member watchers to th... <b>Closed</b> <b>2010-03-23</b>	

#### 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:

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

+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 Snyder 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?

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

- *Status changed from New to Closed*

- *Resolution set to Duplicate*

Same as #5159.