

## A Soapbox debugging release - Modules

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- + Rebuilt the templates so that now the styles are in an external file and are thus easier to change. This file is definitely **not** streamlined, but should make things a bit easier in case you want to change the look of the module.
- + Added more options in the user side: icons in the index and column files to "print" and "send to friend". The site manager sees also two more icons to "edit" and "delete".
- + Fixed a problem with the nonexistent autoteaser.
- + In the admin side, added a pack of very useful files that manage the module's blocks without leaving the module's environment (that is, without resorting to Admin > Blocks). These files were contributed (unknowingly) by GI Joe.
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- + Fixed the search function so it works ok. Does it?
- + I believe I have finally gotten all language constants out of the code to make things easy on translators (but there could be still some lurking there).
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