

# EpicureanFriends Site Glitches

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We have this morning had a period of three or four hours where the site went offline for reasons that are currently unknown to me. However in this case the forum software was clearly not at fault, as the related sites of NewEpicurean.com and ElementalEpicureanism.com were also down. All indications is that this was purely a hosting provider issue. I see no indication that any data or postings on the site were lost or compromised.

(1) I will investigate to determine whether we need to consider switching hosting providers.

(2) In the future we will need a backup communication system, such as Telegram, which I will also investigate. I have a Twitter account but probably a dedicated channel on something like Telegram (which Michele uses, in Italian) would be a good idea. We can also currently send private messages via Facebook, but I don't want to encourage anyone not using Facebook to start. My perception is that Telegram is the up-an-coming service and has eclipsed Whatsapp. If anyone wants to nominate another alternative, please do. Of course there is always old fashioned email, and we could set up a dedicated email list also. Right now I would not be able to email everyone who is a member here if the site were down, so we would need another email-list source in order to make that work.