

## How to Post a Community Blog

Contributed by What's Up Hutch  
 Tuesday, 29 July 2008  
 Last Updated Wednesday, 07 July 2010

In order to post a Community Blog you have to become a WUH? Member . It's easy to become a member (and free).

### BENEFITS TO JOINING WHAT'S UP HUTCH

- You will be able to message other WUH? members
- Join the discussions here at WUH?
  
- Create your own Community Blog post
- Be the first to know about WUH? Events or other Community Events [CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP TO BECOME A MEMBER](#) After you have signed up for your membership you will receive an email with a link to confirm your membership. After you have confirmed your membership, you must login using the username and password you selected during signup. (see Figure A). Figure A

After logging into WUH? on the right hand side, you will see "Your Dashboard" (see Figure B). Click on "Write a blog entry" and you will be on your way to posting a Community Blog.

### Figure B

**Community Blog Rules** We at What's Up Hutch welcome you to post FOR FREE in our Community Blogs section. Heck, we beg you to! We're very interested in what you, the reader (our bestest friends in the whole wide world), have to say about anything. Not only does it provide content for our website, but it encourages discussion among readers and members of the community, which is how stuff gets done. We do ask that you follow a few guidelines, though: 1. Keep it appropriate. Please don't swear, show or describe graphic scenarios. This is a family site. 2. Your content must be original. We know that sometimes you're surfing the web and you see an article that sparks this idea in the ol' noggin, and you've just got to write about it. That's fine. You may link to the article along with what you have to say. You may include excerpts from the article. But you MAY NOT copy 'n' paste the article in it's entirety into your Community Blog post. Even when properly attributed, that's just plain not nice. 3. Try to write about something that will encourage conversation. In other words, please don't take advantage of this platform to do nothing more than advertise your own web site, store, whatever. If you want to write something up, then tack on at the end something about your site or store, that's fine. But come on. We all need to make money, and selling advertising is the only way we can even squeak by and provide this web site to you FOR FREE. So when you take advantage of that to squeeze free advertising out of us, you may as well be taking food out of our children's (or pets') mouths. Do you really want to do that to the kids/animals? Do ya? If you contribute something worthwhile to our site and sneak a plug for your own venture in it, we don't mind at all. 4. Please don't flood the Community Blogs. If you post a bunch of blogs a day, you drown out other people's post, which discourages them from posting anymore. Honestly, if you follow the other guidelines of posting only original material, then this shouldn't be a problem. But if you've got that many ideas (and that much time) that you can write three blog posts a day, and they're all original and worth reading, then send us an email. You could probably have your own column! 5. Please note that any Community Blog post may be unpublished if it doesn't follow the provided guidelines, or makes evident to us a new guideline that we should have put in the first place, but didn't because we're not psychics. We often take Community Blogs that contribute to the community experience of What's Up Hutch and move them to the front page so they get more exposure in an effort to provide incentive for contributing something worthwhile to our site. We truly do appreciate the opinions of our readers, and welcome you to join us on our humble site and contribute to the conversation. But we've also go our other readers to think about, and we want to make sure that they're experience on the site is as pleasant as possible.