YOUTUBE WITHOUT (PERSONALIZED) RECOMMENDATIONS

THE FEATURE THEY DON'T TALK ABOUT

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Newsboat + YouTube: An alternative!



THE WHY?

- Journey to de-googlify myself
- YouTube knows a scary amount of my personal preferences
- But I don't want to miss out on my daily doses of Linus and co.
- Quest: Looking for an alternative!
 - ► Able to keep track of favourite channels
 - ► Without making it easy to track me

THE WHAT?

■ Use YouTube's RSS endpoints

- Use a local RSS reader to poll each channel
 - ► No dependency on another online service

■ Watch YouTube videos without a browser

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THE HOW?

- 1. Choose a RSS reader
 - ► I chose Newsboat, a customizable terminal RSS reader
- 2. Transform all your YT subscriptions into RSS subscriptions
 - Simple script transforming OMPL to the simple Newsboat format
- 3. Add new subscriptions by finding the channel id
 - pre-built scripts or services available
- 4. (Optional) Use a command line video player like MPV

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LINKS

For a more detailed write up on how to set this up for your own, see: www.the-privacy-captain.net

