

## Report for Trove User moderation

**Date first reported:** 7 June & 4 July 2021

**Trove Username:** r.j.trenwith, yelnod & sezblack1977

**Reported activity:** excessive text corrections in short period of time

### Details of reports

Date	Method reported (incl RefTracker no.)	Report
7/6/21	RSref151743	Would you please check the editing of the user sezblack1977 for June 7, especially between 9:30 and 10 pm. The way he adds thousands of edits at a time appears very suspicious.
4/7/21	RSref152258	hi, any chance that trove could pull their collective fingers out and do soething about the duplicitous user r.j.trenwith and yelnod, whose antics still amaze users here. how the hell do trove management allow this idiot to remain a protected species? not only do they inflate their text corrections by using dishonorable techniques, they also create fake user names and intimidate other users on this site.

### Details of investigation undertaken

Date	Report
7/7/21	<p>Requested information about text correction activity for <b>r.j.trenwith</b> and <b>yelnod</b> from Digital.</p> <p>Digital provided in list of the activity for each signon. The following are a couple of examples for each user. The bold ones were legitimate corrections, the others are a mix of legitimate and gaming corrections.</p> <p><b>r.j.trenwith</b></p> <p><a href="https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/15651522?afterLoad=showCorrections">https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/15651522?afterLoad=showCorrections</a>  <a href="https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/15666345?afterLoad=showCorrections">https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/15666345?afterLoad=showCorrections</a>  <a href="https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/15642556?afterLoad=showCorrections">https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/15642556?afterLoad=showCorrections</a>  <a href="https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/28783184?afterLoad=showCorrections">https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/28783184?afterLoad=showCorrections</a>  <a href="https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/27976669?afterLoad=showCorrections"><b>https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/27976669?afterLoad=showCorrections</b></a>  <a href="https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/27976696?afterLoad=showCorrections"><b>https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/27976696?afterLoad=showCorrections</b></a>  <a href="https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/27976695?afterLoad=showCorrections"><b>https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/27976695?afterLoad=showCorrections</b></a>  <a href="https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/27976693?afterLoad=showCorrections"><b>https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/27976693?afterLoad=showCorrections</b></a>  <a href="https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/27976714?afterLoad=showCorrections"><b>https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/27976714?afterLoad=showCorrections</b></a></p>

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<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/15665072?afterLoad=showCorrections>  
<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/15669302?afterLoad=showCorrections>

Recommendation: rollback all corrections where there is a mix of gaming and legitimate corrections

### **yelnod**

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Recommendation: no action

### **Sezblack1977**

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	Recommendation: no action

**Recommended action – recommendations included above**

**No Action for yelnod:**

**Warning:**

**Strike policy enacted**

**Rollback text corrections:**

**Remove tags:**

**Remove comments/notes:**

Date	Type of action	Details for communication
8/7/21	For yelnod – no action	
8/7/21	For sezblack1977 – no action	
8/7/21	For r.j.trenwith – roll back of text corrections on all articles where gaming corrections are involved (including legitimate corrections)	<p>We have reviewed your text correction activity, as advised we would in April 2021, and have observed that many of your edits continue to involve the deletion and subsequent one word at a time per line replacement of text. This has resulted in you being credited for extra lines of text corrections that are not improving the relevance of searching on Trove. Improving the accuracy of search results is the primary reason why the National Library invites the community to participate in text correcting. While some of your corrections appear legitimate, this bulk editing behaviour appears to be solely for the purpose of boosting your status as a text corrector.</p> <p>This incident is covered by Trove’s Terms of Use, which give us the right to withdraw or suspend the use of Trove by any person who uses Trove in breach of these terms and conditions. This is your final notification. You were contacted about this behaviour on 8 April 2021. If it continues the user account r.j.trenwith will be revoked and all content you have contributed that contravenes the Trove Terms of Use will be removed from Trove.</p> <p>To contact Trove Management about this matter you can reopen this enquiry.</p>

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Recommended action approved by [staff name redacted]

Approved action completed: 8/7/21