

Using Bloglines

Bloglines: Web-based RSS Reader

www.bloglines.com

From <http://www.bloglines.com/help/faq>

“Bloglines is a FREE online service that helps you subscribe to and manage lots of web information, such as news feeds, weblogs and audio. Bloglines tracks the information you're interested in, retrieves new stuff as it happens, and organizes everything for you on your own personal web news page.

Bloglines is a "news aggregator." Many online information sources, including web sites, weblogs and news services, now broadcast their content to the web in so-called "syndicated feeds" or "news feeds" with new technologies like Really Simple Syndication (RSS) and ATOM. News aggregator software and services collect those syndicated feeds and present them to end users in a variety of ways.”

The screenshot shows the Bloglines web interface. On the left is a sidebar with the 'Bloglines' logo and a list of 33 feeds under 'My Feeds'. The main content area on the right is titled 'Welcome mstephens7@mac.com' and features a search bar and navigation tabs. The main content area displays a list of articles, including 'LibraryCrunch' (417 subscribers) and 'Zoho's Office Suite'. The 'Zoho's Office Suite' article includes a Zoho logo and a 'Thanks' section by Michael, dated Thursday, July 13, 2006.

Add subscriptions via the Add link or access other options

Blogs you have Subscribed to

The screenshot shows the Bloglines interface. At the top, the 'Bloglines' logo is displayed in blue, accompanied by a newspaper icon. Below the logo are three tabs: 'My Feeds', 'My Blog', and 'Clippings'. Underneath these tabs is a navigation bar with links for 'Add', 'Edit', 'Reorder/Sort', and 'Options'. Below the navigation bar, it indicates '15 Feeds' and a 'Mark All Read' link. A list of subscribed feeds is shown, including 'Tame the Web: Libraries and Technology', 'librarian.net : a library weblog (6)', 'LibrarianInBlack', and 'TechnoBiblio (1)'. Arrows from the text on the left point to the 'Add' link and the 'librarian.net' entry.

Clicking Add leads to the Subscribe page:

The screenshot shows the 'Subscribe' page in Bloglines. At the top, there are buttons for 'Directory', 'Share', and 'Search', along with a search box and a 'Search for Posts' button. Below this is a navigation bar with 'Home > Subscribe'. A menu of categories is visible, including 'Blogs', 'Communities New!', 'Email Groups', 'News', 'Search', 'Jobs', 'Package Tracking', 'Weather', 'Astrology', 'Lottery', and 'Quick Pick Subscriptions'. The main heading is 'Subscribe'. Below the heading, there is a text box explaining the subscription process: 'Enter the URL of the blog you wish to subscribe to, and Bloglines will attempt to locate the appropriate feed. An easier way to subscribe to blogs and newsfeeds is to use the Easy Subscribe Button, which makes subscribing to a blog you're viewing just one click away.' At the bottom of this section, there is a 'Blog or Feed URL:' label, a text input field, and a 'Subscribe' button.