

AutoTweetNG



How to AutoTweet from Your Own Facebook App

<http://www.extly.com/how-to-autotweet-from-your-own-facebook-app.html>

Presentation based on Joomla 3 and AutoTweetNG 6.5.2

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In this presentation, we are going to show how you can **AutoTweet** *from Joomla to Facebook*, with Your Own Facebook App


Product Page: <http://www.extly.com/autotweet-ng-pro.html>

Support: <http://support.extly.com>

Community Forum Support: <http://www.extly.com/forum/index.html>



Prerequisites

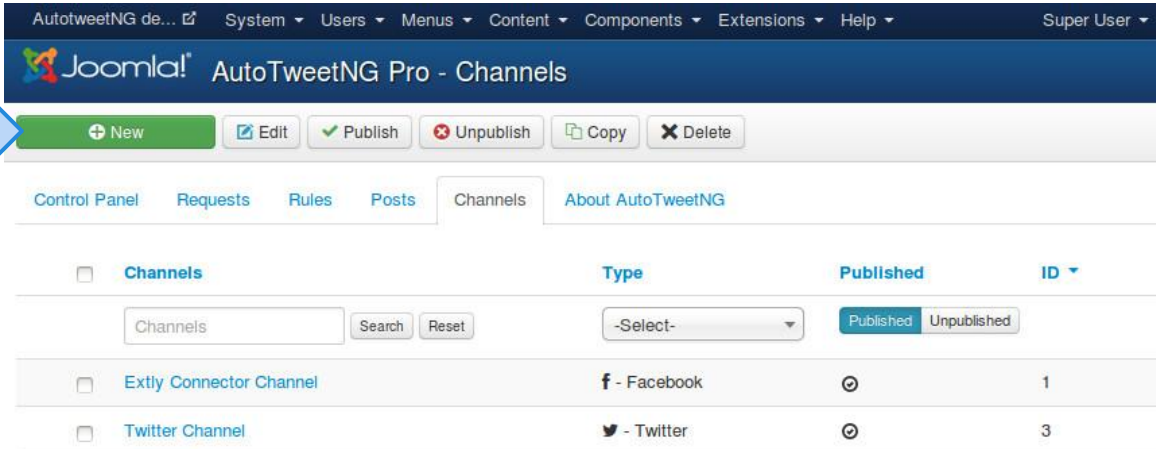
- AutoTweetNG Free or PRO v6.5 or superior
- A Facebook account **f**
- A site with  SSL support (https://www.....
/myFacebookApp)
- System requirements:
 - Joomla 2.5 / Joomla 3.0
 - PHP 5.3, or superior
 - MySQL 5.5, or superior (recommended)
- Previous tutorial: [How to AutoTweet from Joomla in 5 minutes](#)



Add Facebook channel



- Each Facebook Profile, Page or Group is a different channel.
- Facebook Channels require the Facebook account authorization (a long-lived access token).
- You can share the same token in all Facebook channels.



The screenshot shows the Joomla! Admin interface for the 'AutoTweetNG Pro - Channels' extension. A blue arrow points to the '+ New' button. Below the navigation tabs, there is a search bar and a table of channels.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Channels	Type	Published	ID
	<input type="text" value="Channels"/> <input type="button" value="Search"/> <input type="button" value="Reset"/>	<input type="text" value="-Select-"/>	<input type="button" value="Published"/> <input type="button" value="Unpublished"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extly Connector Channel	f - Facebook	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	1
<input type="checkbox"/>	Twitter Channel	🐦 - Twitter	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	3



Add channel / Facebook



- Assign channel type and data
- Create your App

Joomla! AutoTweetNG Pro - Channel

Select type

Type *

Channel data

Name *

Description

Status Published Unpublished

Autopublish On Off

Channel details

Post to a Facebook **Profile or Page, or Group** wall.

1. Facebook App Definition **2. Authorization** 3. Channel Selection

Use own app Yes No

Your Own App - Details

App ID/API Key *

App Secret *

Canvas Page *



Create a Facebook App



- Login at <https://developers.facebook.com/apps> with your Facebook username and password
- Create New App
- Define the name & namespace

Create New App

App Name: [?] Valid

App Namespace: [?]

App Category: [?]

Web Hosting: [?] Yes, I would like free web hosting provided by Heroku ([Learn More](#))

By proceeding, you agree to the [Facebook Platform Policies](#)



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A screenshot of the Facebook Developers console. The page title is 'facebook developers'. The main content area shows the 'Basic' settings for an app named 'AutoTweetNG Demo App'. A yellow banner at the top says 'Changes saved. Note that your changes may take several minutes to propagate to all servers.' Below this, the app's name is 'AutoTweetNG Demo App'. It shows the 'App ID' and 'App Secret' (both redacted), and a green dot indicating 'This app is live (Visible to all users)'. Under the 'Basic Info' section, there are fields for 'Display Name' (AutoTweetNG Demo App), 'Namespace', 'Contact Email', 'App Domains', 'Hosting URL', and 'Sandbox Mode'. The 'Sandbox Mode' is currently set to 'Disabled'. A blue arrow points to the 'Sandbox Mode' field. At the bottom, there is a section for 'Select how your app integrates with Facebook'. The left sidebar contains navigation links for 'Settings', 'App Details', 'Review Status', 'Open Graph', 'Localize', 'Alerts', 'Insights', and 'Related links'.

Now, you have your own:

- App ID
- App Secret

Don't forget to disable sandbox mode.



Create a Facebook App



- Now, you have to create the Facebook App mini-site
- From AutoTweetNG downloaded zip file, extract the file: facebook_auth_app.zip
- Copy the files into a directory, in your hosting, to create the **Canvas Url** and the **Secure Canvas Url**



For example:

Canvas URL: <http://testing-app.extly.com/Facebook-App/>

Secure Canvas URL: <https://testing-app.extly.com/Facebook-App/>

- Assign the Urls in the Facebook App Configuration, “App on Facebook” tab.



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- Assign the Urls in the Facebook App Configuration, “App on Facebook” tab.
- Save changes

A screenshot of the Facebook Developers app configuration page for 'AutoTweetNG Demo App'. The page is titled 'AutoTweetNG Demo App' and shows the app's status as 'live'. It includes fields for 'App ID', 'App Secret', 'Display Name', 'Namespace', 'Contact Email', 'App Domains', 'Hosting URL', and 'Sandbox Mode'. The 'Sandbox Mode' is set to 'Disabled'. Under the 'Select how your app integrates with Facebook' section, 'Website with Facebook Login' and 'App on Facebook' are both checked. The 'App on Facebook' section shows the 'Canvas Page' as 'http://apps.facebook.com/autotweetngdemoapp', the 'Canvas URL' as 'http://testing-app.extly.com/Facebook-App/', the 'Secure Canvas URL' as 'https://testing-app.extly.com/Facebook-App/', and the 'Canvas Width' set to 'Fixed (760px)'.

arch Facebook Developers Docs Tools Support News Apps

AutoTweetNG Demo App
App ID: 488 [redacted]
App Secret: 497 [redacted] (reset)
● This app is live (Visible to all users)

Basic Info

Display Name: [?] AutoTweetNG Demo App
Namespace: [?] autotweetngdemoapp
Contact Email: [?] [redacted]
App Domains: [?] Enter your site domains and press enter.
Hosting URL: [?] You have not generated a URL through one of our par
Sandbox Mode: [?] Enabled Disabled

Select how your app integrates with Facebook

Website with Facebook Login Log in to my website using Facebook.

App on Facebook

Canvas Page: [?] http://apps.facebook.com/autotweetngdemoapp
Canvas URL: [?] <http://testing-app.extly.com/Facebook-App/>
Secure Canvas URL: [?] <https://testing-app.extly.com/Facebook-App/>
Canvas Width: [?] Fluid Fixed (760px)

Add channel / Facebook



- Back to the channel configuration
- Fill the form: App Id, App Secret, and Canvas Page
- Continue with steps: 2. Authorization and 3. Channel Selection

Channel details

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Your Own Facebook App



You've created **Your Own Facebook App**, to post from AutoTweetNG.

- You can freely customize it
- Your posts are going to have your brand name

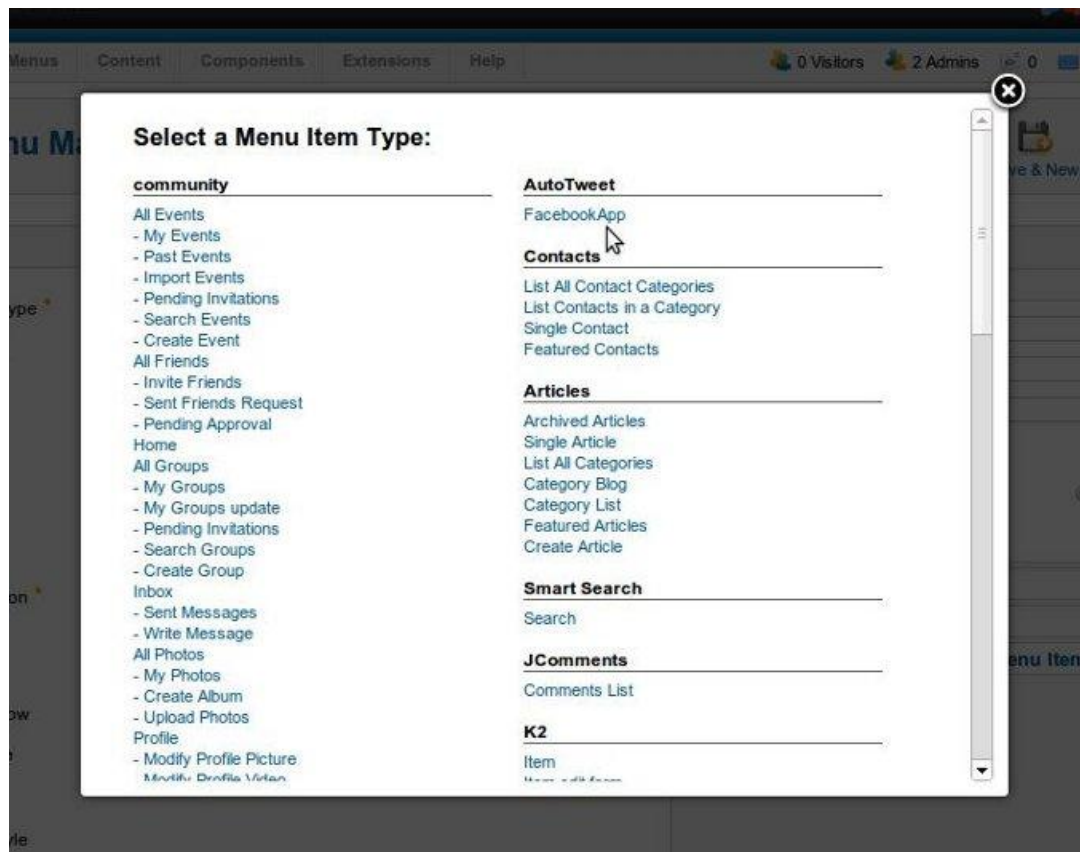
... but wait... there's another alternative! If your Joomla site has  SSL support, you can avoid the additional Facebook App mini-site hosting!



Facebook App Menu Item



AutoTweetNG has a menu to create the Facebook App.



Facebook App Menu Item



- Fill App Id, and App Secret, and Canvas Page in the new menu item.

The screenshot shows the Joomla! Menu Manager interface for editing a menu item. The title is "Menu Manager: Edit Menu Item". The interface is divided into two main sections: "Details" on the left and "FacebookApp Configuration" on the right.

Details Section:

- Menu Item Type: FacebookApp (Selected)
- Menu Title: Demo Facebook App
- Alias: demo-facebook-app
- Note: (Empty text box)
- Link: index.php?option=com_autotweet&view=facebo
- Status: Published (Dropdown)
- Access: Public (Dropdown)
- Menu Location: Top (Dropdown)

FacebookApp Configuration Section:

- App ID/API Key: 28502064828
- App Secret: 1f4174d117c9
- Canvas URL: http://apps.fac

Below the configuration section are expandable options: Link Type Options, Page Display Options, Metadata Options, and Module Assignment for this Menu.



Facebook App Menu Item



- Verify the new menu

Canvas Url: http://.../index.php?option=com_autotweet&view=facebookapp&Itemid=9999

Secure Canvas: Url https://.../...com_autotweet&view=facebookapp&Itemid=9999

- Assign the new Canvas Url and Secure Canvas Url

- Complete the rest of the steps, as in the previous case

A screenshot of a Joomla! website showing a Facebook app authorization interface. The page has a blue header with the Joomla! logo and 'Open Source Content Management' text. Below the header, there's a search bar and a navigation menu. The main content area is titled 'Congratulations!' and contains the following text: 'You have authorized the application and granted the permissions. Now, you can create the Facebook channel in AutoTweet component backend, and select your Profile, App, Page, Group or Event. Please, copy and paste User-ID and Access Token in the new AutoTweet's Facebook Account.' Below this text is a list of links: Profile, Pages and apps, Groups, and Events. At the bottom, there are fields for User ID (1230924282), User Name, and Access Token (AAAE0YpZBndMBAOTgot544252654pD9943M9R1K37tp73K8GAMkV43Gef3Dun727ad2hp5597ratM1n). A mouse cursor is pointing at the 'Pages and apps' link. The page also features a 'This Site' sidebar with links to Home, Login, Kunena, SobiPro, EasyBlog, JomSocial, and Zoo Blog.



Conclusion



We've created **Your Own Facebook App** to post from AutoTweetNG; authorized, verified, and created a new Channel

Also, we've reviewed the alternative case to create a Facebook App based on a secure (ssl-enabled) Joomla Site.



One last word

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