
latest

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A Twitter bot that polls an RSS feed and posts its entries as tweets, with auto-generated hashtags. For extra mischief, replies to the bot are responded to using a basic Eliza implementation.

After installing, the ‘babbler’ command will be available which you can use to run the bot. Data will be stored in the current directory.

- version** show program's version number and exit
- h, --help** show this help message and exit

Required:

- u url, --feed-url=url** RSS Feed URL

Optional:

- i strings, --ignore=strings** Comma separated strings for ignoring feed entries if they contain any of the strings
- p seconds, --pause=seconds** Seconds between RSS feed requests (default:600)
- q decimal, --queue-slice=decimal** Decimal fraction of unposted tweets to send during each iteration between feed requests (default:0.3)
- l level, --log-level=level** Level of information printed (ERROR|INFO|DEBUG) (default:INFO)
- m len, --hashtag-min-length=len** Minimum length of a hashtag (default:3)

Switches:

- a, --append** Switch certain options into append mode where their values provided are appended to their persisted values, namely `--ignore`, `--hashtag-min-length`, `--pause`, `--queue-slice`
- s, --subtract** Opposite of `--append`
- e, --edit-data** Load a Python shell for editing the data file
- f, --dry-run** Fake run that doesn't save data or post tweets
- d, --daemonize** Run as a daemon
- k, --kill** Kill a previously started daemon
- D, --DESTROY** Deletes all saved data and tweets from Twitter

Twitter authentication (all required):

-w key, --consumer-key=key Twitter Consumer Key

-x secret, --consumer-secret=secret Twitter Consumer Secret

-y key, --access-token-key=key Twitter Access Token Key

-z secret, --access-token-secret=secret Twitter Access Token Secret

Options need only be provided once via command line as options specified are then persisted in the data file, and reused on subsequent runs. Required options can also be omitted as they will each then be prompted for individually.