

## #<sub>1</sub> \$<sub>2</sub> K<sub>3</sub> **Usenet Etiquette**

The ease of posting Usenet News articles causes many inappropriate articles to be sent to the network. An article can be inappropriate if it:

- Is devoid of useful information or ideas.
- Is sent to inappropriate newsgroup(s).
- Is really intended for a particular individual, rather than the entire Usenet community.
- Contains rude or insulting remarks.

Please compose your articles thoughtfully. Consider sending an electronic mail message rather than posting an article, if appropriate.

Be aware of the fact that many sites must pay long-distance telephone charges to receive your article. Also be aware of the fact that some of the popular newsgroups have tens of thousands of readers. 10,000 people each reading your article for 20 seconds spend a total of 55 hours reading your article.

See Posting an Article and Mailing a Message.

#4 \$5 K6 **The NEWSRC File**

In order to keep track of your viewing history, WinVN records information about newsgroups in a file named NEWSRC. This file contains a list of all newsgroups. For each newsgroup, WinVN records whether it is subscribed and which articles have been seen.

Many Unix-based news readers record this information in a file named **.newsrc**. WinVN uses the same file format to provide compatibility with these programs.

See Group Menu Commands.

4# newsrc  
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## #7 \$8 K9 **Configuring WinVN**

WinVN offers a number of configuration options. All are accessible from the **Options** menu of the main window. The **Configure Comm...** option allows you to set communications parameters. These parameters must be set properly for WinVN to work.

The **Configure Personal Info...** and **Configure Miscellaneous...** options allow you to specify information about yourself and to set WinVN preferences. This information is not vital to the proper operation of WinVN.

See Options Menu Commands.

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