

Changing Station POST_IFUP field with the CLI API

Goal: Programmatically change a station's POST_IFUP field.

Creating a series of scripts using the If_associate_ap.pl script is not adequate for negotiating a captive-portal environment, that script does not set the POST_IFUP parameter for the station. However, stations can be modified to gain that field.



Creating a station that negotiates a Captive Portal environment requires the POST_IFUP field to name a script. (Usually a *portal-bot.pl* script.) We can assign that port parameter with the **set_wifi_extra2** command. At the time of this writing, there are no perl scripts using this CLI command, but I will show an example here:

```
set_port,
 1,      # resource number
sta100, # port name
0,      # flush-to-kernel
NA,     # ignore probe
NA,     # ignore auth
NA,     # ignore assoc
NA,     # ignore_reassoc
NA,     # corrupt_gtk_rekey_mic
NA,     # radius_ip
NA,     # radius_port
NA,     # freq_24
NA,     # freq_5

# post_ifup_script
'./portal-bot.pl --bot bp.pm --user "username" --pass "secret" --start_url "http://'
NA      # ocsp
```

The above command would never actually be formatted in the way it appears above. It would all appear on one line without comments.

In a perl script, the command could be formatted like:

```

my $cmd = fmt_cmd("set_port", 1,
    "sta100", # port name
    0,         # flush-to-kernel
    "NA",      # ignore probe
    "NA",      # ignore auth
    "NA",      # ignore assoc
    "NA",      # ignore_reassoc
    "NA",      # corrupt_gtk_rekey_mic
    "NA",      # radius_ip
    "NA",      # radius_port
    "NA",      # freq_24
    "NA",      # freq_5
qq("./portal-bot.pl --bot bp.pm") # post_ifup_script
.qq(--user "username" --pass "secret" )
.qq(--start_url "http://www.google.com/" )
.qq(--ap_url "http://localhost/" )
.qq(--login_form "login.php" )
.qq(--login_action "login.php" )
.qq(--logout_form "logout.php"),
    "NA"      # ocsp );

```

Important Notes

1. the LANforge server treats single-quotes (apostrophes, `'`) as command delimiters. Use only double-quotes (`"`) to quote the arguments to the script.
2. Do not use newlines (`\n`) or carriage-returns (`\r\n`). That will truncate the command and LANforge will process it immediately.
3. These parameters will be provided by the server:
 - `--mgt` The management FIFO
 - `--ip4` The IP address of the port
 - `--ip6` The IPv6 address of the port
 - `--dnsv` A comma-separated list of DNS addresses
 - `--logout` Signals logout

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