Setup password protected networking in Windows 11

With the latest Windows 11 update Microsoft has tightened security on network file sharing. Unfortunately we will need to change how networking is setup, which will involve the following additions to our current networking process.

On the Host Computer

Create a local user account with username and password

- Go to Settings / Accounts / Other Users
- Click Add account
- Click "I don't have this person's sign-in information"
- Click "Add a user without a Microsoft account"
- For User name, enter "Gym Assistant Host"
- For **Password**, enter "**host**" For all security questions, enter "**host**" as the answer
- Click **Next** to finish

Turn on Password Protected Sharing

- Go to Settings / Network & internet / Advanced network settings / Advanced sharing settings
- Open All Networks
- Turn ON Password protected sharing

Get Host computer name

• In Gym Assistant select Help / Troubleshooting / Network Monitor.

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• Click Copy Computer Path.

On each Client Computer

Connect to the Host Computer

- Open File Explorer.
- Open **Network.** *NOTE: In the past the host computer would usually appear automatically in Network.*
- In the path field, paste the copied path from the Host computer.

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- Enter the User Name "Gym Assistant Host" and Password "host".
- Check **Remember my credentials**. (Don't forget this step!)
- Click OK.
- In Gym Assistant, now set the data path by copying the path into the **Find Data Now** window.

Online URL: <u>https://gymassistant.phpkb.cloud/article/setup-password-protected-networking-in-windows-11.html</u>