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Thread: [HF News - 209](#)

Oak - October 13, 2014, 8:24 pm

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SupportForums to Make a Revival

Recently, [Omniscient](#) has stated that he wants to revive his other forum, [SupportForums](#). For those who may not know what [SupportForums](#) is, it is another site that [Omniscient](#) owns and operates, which is designed to promote discussion and tutorials, as well as helping other members with a variety of categories. From 2010 to 2012, users were eligible to receive the Support Feather award for posting 100 times on SF. [Omniscient](#) might be considering making the award active again, as the award is currently unavailable. [D3xus](#) was also made a Moderator of [SupportForums](#) to assist [Omniscient](#). You can read about the revival [here](#). You can also read about the Support Feather award [here](#).

OMC and LTC Award Price Changes

As of October 10th, the OMC award and LTC award had their prices increased. The OMC award went from 10,000 OMC to 50,000 OMC. The LTC award was increased from 4 LTC to 5 LTC. Both of the awards are equivalent to about \$20 USD, although that price may fluctuate. You can read [Omniscient's](#) thread [here](#). You can donate for a cryptocurrency award [here](#).

Omni Possibly Selling Another Group?

On October 10th, [Omniscient](#) created a thread for feedback on selling an official group for one million OMC. This translates to about \$1,500USD at current market rates. The current price of one OMC is around \$0.0014952USD according to <http://omc-rates.com>. The [thread](#) quickly gained attention and many users left feedback about [Omniscient's](#) idea as well as the future of OMC. The thread is currently closed, but you can read it [here](#).

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News NotablesSpecial shoutout to [Satu](#), [Brother Yellows](#), [Clark](#), [Baghead](#), and [Clique](#) for their loyalty to the news team and how much work they put in. Truly thank you.

Bans*[Nutella](#) was banned for "Disallowed SST partnering"

[M?gic](#) was banned for reputation abuse.

[Baghead](#) was banned for "Harassing a group."

[Mr. Zurbinator](#) was banned for "Fraud l33t Reversal".

Vacations[T3h Hack3r](#) took a vacation ban.

[Veneficus](#) took a vacation ban.

[Lovol](#) took a vacation ban.

[Fafaffy](#) took a vacation ban.

[Intuitive](#) took a vacation ban.

[Silverfang.](#) took a vacation ban.

[benzi](#) took a vacation ban.

[Dev?ur](#) took a vacation ban.

[P?ter](#) took a vacation ban.

[MineSQL](#) took a vacation ban.

[Dankest](#) took a vacation ban.

Closures[M?gic](#) will have their account closed at their ban expiration.

Repfucks[Nutella.](#) was repfucked for "Disallowed SST partnering"

[M?gic](#) was repfucked for reputation abuse.

[Sh1eld](#) was repfucked, and then reputation reset.

[benzi](#) was repfucked for reputation abuse.

[Mr. Zurbinator](#) was repfucked for "Fraud I33t Reversal".

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Important Group Threads[Illuminati | Novus Ordo Seclorum | Apply](#) by [Nobility](#)
[Instinct Major Thread | Member Buy in | Leadership Buy in | Facebook Group](#) by [Vinnie](#)
[L'appel du vide | Official Group Leadership Spot | Lifetime](#) by [iKinky](#)
[Phoenix Podcast | Ask us for Advice! | Open for All!](#) by [Meso](#)
[Specialists | Official Group | Hacking/Penetration Testing Sector Recruitment](#) by [Bull™](#)
[The Revolution | Official Group | Coding and Programming Recruitment](#) by [beslim](#)
[The Revolution | Official Group | Teaching Languages Recruitment](#) by [beslim](#)
[The Brotherhood | VFX Sector Recruitment](#) by [Meso](#)

Leadership Changes'[Snorlax](#) has been removed as leader of Brotherhood.

[Aceman](#) has been added as leader of Specialists.

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Interview - [Frostix \(Click to View\)](#)

[Justin Timberlake](#): Welcome to the 209th edition of the HF News, today we're here with Frostix.
Any shoutouts before we begin?

[Frostix](#): Not at the moment, I'll interrupt you mid interview if I remember.

[Justin Timberlake](#): So tell us, how did you get introduced to HF?

[Frostix](#): I was looking to join the dark side, so after some searching I found HF and decided it was good enough.

[Justin Timberlake](#): Welcome to the dark side. How are you enjoying the thug life?

[Frostix](#): It has its ups and downs, the drama always keeps me on my toes, especially when one gangster steps on another's territory. I've been doing business on the streets for a while now and know how to play the game, but there's a lot of dope material being swung around the market usually so competing gets annoying. I've stayed active the most in the RAT section since it's where I started my journey but recently I've been expanding to other neighborhoods.

[Justin Timberlake](#): Keepin it real doe. Yeah I see that you're a leader of 2 groups, what's it like up at the top?

[Frostix](#): Always. I don't really consider where I am at the top, I've actually realized just how far away from it I am once I was there.

[Justin Timberlake](#): Wow that's deep man. So why did you end up choosing the username Frostix?

[Frostix](#): It was an old username that I came up with back in the RS days when I needed a unique username. When I found HF I decided to use it here as well.

[Justin Timberlake](#): RS, huh? It certainly is unique. What games are you into nowadays?

[Frostix](#): RuneScape. Back in the days I played DotA, CS: Source, and Warcraft: III with friends - I then moved on to LoL when it first came out and played semi-competitively but I no longer have time for it anymore unfortunately.

[Justin Timberlake](#): #PCmasterrace, it's always fun to go back and play with friends. Ever think of switching to console now that next-gen is out?

[Frostix](#): PC Forever. No, it's never crossed my mind at all, PC's will always outperform consoles at every point simply due to them having no constraining factors. The only console I ever had was a PlayStation 1 because I didn't know how to build a computer.

[Justin Timberlake](#): That's true, you can easily upgrade a PC after buying to suit your needs. So what are some of your hobbies outside of HF?

[Frostix](#): I manage a small IT firm, study ITM with a specialization in Security and Networking, and workout whenever I have the time. Most of my time is consumed between expanding my business, socializing with friends, and school.

[Justin Timberlake](#): Oh that's pretty sweet. Did you create it yourself or are you just a manager?

[Frostix](#): I founded it with the help of a close friend. We just got an office in Chicago and are in talks with investors so things have been going well for us recently.

[Justin Timberlake](#): Congrats on that dude. Good luck going forward with it. If you were Omni for a day, what's the first thing you'd do?

[Frostix](#): That's a tough one to answer on the spot. The first thing that comes to my mind is give the Hacking Tools and Programs section a moderator, I've discussed this with him before and due to the nature of the section it's unlikely but it could really use one - I feel that it's best to provide some level of quality even to a place as muddy as that since it's quite managable under the hands of an active individual. Then I'd go and teach my kids a few things about computers even if they have no interest because it's a useful skill to have.

[Justin Timberlake](#): Yeah, I'd say computers are pretty important to learn about right now, and hopefully the hacking section gets seen to. How do you feel about the group section, with all these new ones popping up? I heard Omni might consider selling one more group for a million OMC.

[Frostix](#): I think it's a shame, I miss all the old groups and the prestige behind them - I feel like the new groups are lacking that at the moment. My aim is to turn my groups into what I felt groups were like back then. That's an interesting way to get people into OMC but I feel like after someone actually reaches it the value will drop and people won't have a reason to use it anymore. The currency needs more incentives for use right now.

[Justin Timberlake](#): I was in some of the "prestigious groups" so I see where you're coming from. Any closing remarks you'd like to say to all the HFers out there?

[Frostix](#): Read the help documents, act like yourself, don't worry about reputation or your image, be nice to staff, and don't be afraid of Omni - he's a nice guy when you get to know him, he's just busy

often.

Interview - [Raptor. \(Click to View\)](#)

[630:](#) Welcome to 209th edition of the HF News, today we're here with Raptor. Any shout-outs you'd like to make before we begin?

[Raptor.:](#) Shoutout to all of the other Writ3rs you weirdos

[630:](#) They really are a bunch freaks, myself excluded. So tell us what do you do for the writ3rs group?

[Raptor.:](#) I'm one of the editors, so my role is to essentially proof-read a specific post of the edition for any grammatical or formatting errors.

[630:](#) Well make sure you clean up this interview if needed. So what was with the recent news team hiatus? Care to inform the readers?

[Raptor.:](#) Initially, Sir was busy due to real life commitments, which is understandable. Following that, a bunch of Writ3rs due to schedule issues or otherwise were unable to complete their tasks by the respective due dates, which put everything behind. We spent over a week playing catch up.

[630:](#) I can personally say it was pretty chaotic and confusing. I read that Sir was busy with school and considered stepping down. Do you think this will ever happen? Who do you feel in the group could rise to the challenge and put out the weekly articles?

[Raptor.:](#) I would say that we could continue the HFNT with a new head editor, but the question is, should we? Sir is the face of the HFNT, and without him, it would feel like a completely different group. Sir makes the HFNT what it is in my eyes.

[630:](#) Not trying to bash any of the other members, but I could only see Froggy rising to the challenge, she's one determine person. So tell me what do you do outside of the forums?

[Raptor.:](#) I'm heavily into League of Legends at the moment in my spare time. Outside of computer related activities, I attend university in Australia, where I study Commerce.

[630:](#) Nice! So what makes you pick LoL? I never understood the game and it always looked weird and the games take too long, just my opinion.

[Raptor.:](#) I initially got into that genre of gaming through DotA 2, which is heavily advertised on the popular gaming client Steam. I thoroughly enjoyed the experience as it not only involves individual skill at the game, but also game knowledge and tactical decision making. My friends preferred LoL over DotA, which is a very similar game, just by a different company and more popular, so we all switched over to that.

[630:](#) I've always been a console gamer so I never really understood league, but I do enjoy a little Minecraft every now and then. So you're currently studying commerce, what do you want to do with that? What would be your ideal job?

[Raptor.:](#) I also used to be a console only gamer until I got a gaming laptop. As for my ideal job, that's difficult. I went with a Commerce degree because it's so flexible and allows you to specialise in any number of areas and/or industries. In a perfect world, economist for a Fortune 500 company comes to mind as a near-perfect job.

[630:](#) Nice. I personally am studying psychology which I could take down numerous routes, but plan on studying criminal justice. So how did you end up coming across Hack Forums?

[Raptor.:](#) Like many others, I came here back when I was involved in the Gamertag market/scene. Hackforums was constantly referenced on other forums as a main market for them, so I checked it out and fell in love with the site's activity. Hackforums, compared to many other forums, is bustling

and that appealed to me, since at the time, I was also looking for something I could access during school.

[630](#): So what keeps you on the forum? Love the for the community, general forum discussion, or Hack Forums addiction?

[Raptor.](#): At the moment, the League of Legends section and the Writ3r's subforum, however the sections that I frequent change every so often. I only rarely leave those sections, and when I do, it's usually the News and Happenings area.

[630](#): I'm similar, glued to appraisals and pricing. So how do you feel about the OMC craze sweeping the forum? Rumor has it 1,000,000 OMC for a group might be in the future.

[Raptor.](#): I think, regardless of the dollar value, OMC is a huge asset to Hackforums. How many other forums have their own cryptocurrency? It helps show just how far along Hackforums is when compared to competing forums, and I think that the currency as a whole is nothing but good for the future of the site. As for the 1m OMC price for a group, upon reading the thread I was intrigued. It would drive prices through the roof, but I can't help but wonder what would happen after the purchase, when Omni has another 1m OMC in his wallet, and the demand drops back to previous levels. I think it's a short-term fix at best to be honest.

[630](#): I just wish it was easier for members to obtain OMC, I tried finding them and it's damn near impossible. So if you could change one thing about Hack Forums what would it be?

[Raptor.](#): That's a difficult question. I think I would increase staff action in deal disputes against upgraded users. I understand it's a grey area, however the deal dispute area is rampant with incredibly sketchy users that last too long on the site in my eyes. I also feel that groups get traded too frequently, I wish they would add a rule adding a minimum time period of 6 months before a bought group can be resold.

[630](#): I side with you on that, only problem would be keeping them from creating new accounts. Well I think that's all the time I have for this interview. I'd just like to say thanks for taking the time out of your day to be interviewed. Are there any concluding remarks you'd like to make?

[Raptor.](#): Thanks for the interview 630, one final shoutout, this time to the League of Legends section and players. Love you guys.

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Do you enjoy reading the HF News? Do you think others might enjoy reading the HF News? Do you want to show your support for what we do?

Wear our Support Signature and show us you care! Numerous members don't even know we exist - make a change!

Support Signature ([Click to View](#))

Example ([Click to View](#))

Code ([Click to View](#))Code

[align=center][url=https://hackforums.net/forumdisplay.php?fid=162][img]https://i.imgur.com/rIEO5r0.gif[/img][url][img][url][align]

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Announcements

---[OMC and Litecoinage Award Increase](#) - [Omniscient](#)

---The OMC award now costs 50,000 OMC, and the Litecoinage award is now 5 LTC.

---[OMC Idea](#) - [Omniscient](#)

---A discussion thread about making one new HF group worth 1 million OMC in order to help raise OMC's value.

---[BTC Upgrades](#) - [Omniscient](#)

---The account upgrade system might be changed by Thanksgiving or sooner, with more automation.

Informational Threads

---[\[Skype\] Skype - Tips & Tricks - A Complete Tutorial](#) - [Novica](#)

---An organized tutorial about different tricks you can use for Skype.

Entertaining Threads

---[A year no fap challange - Recruitment Closed - Journal/Questions only](#) - [John Herbert](#)

---Read journal entries of the participants of the no fap challenge.

---[What members do you think are federal agents?](#) - [Wizard](#)

---Members post their opinions on who is a fed and who isn't.

Contests & Giveaways

---[Truzzie's Upgrade Contest | One every week | Normal - L33T - UB3R](#) - [Truzzie](#)

---Enter for the chance to win an account upgrade.

---[ProtonSolutions \(l33t/ub3r\) Win \\$20 or a Free copy of Proton RAT](#) - [KingTango](#)

---If you're interested in money or RATs, participate in this contest.

Miscellaneous

---[\[Minecraft\]HF Avatars](#) - [Novica](#)

---Novica releases a pack of Minecraft-themed HackForums avatars.

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CoinPayments.net Adds Omnicoin Faucet and Block Explorer

CoinPayments, Omnicoin's main payment processor, recently launched block explorers and faucets for some of their supported coins - Omnicoin included. Since the announcement of this news, the mining difficulty of Omnicoin has doubled, showing a renewed interest in the coin. Furthermore, the announcement was given not by a member of the Omnicoin team, but rather by the CEO of CoinPayments himself, Alexander Alexandrovich Alexandrov. The announcement is located in [this thread](#).

Weekly Highlights[CoinPayments.net OMC Explorer Launched](#) by [cycloid](#)

New OMC Exclusives

None this week.

Click [here](#) to start your shop for a chance to be featured in the next edition.

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Site Statistics

Total ([Click to View](#)) Posts: 32,452,802 (-1.63%)

Threads: 3,059,330 (-1.44%)

Members: 451,400 (-11.23%) Average ([Click to View](#)) Daily Posts: 10,537.40 (-2.63%)

Daily Threads: 993.37 (-2.49%)

Daily New Members: 146.57 (-12.17%)

Posts Per Member: 71.89 (+10.80%)

Replies Per Thread: 9.61 (-0.21%)

Ban Statistics

Last Week's Bans ([Click to View](#)) Staff Bans: 52... Change from Last Edition: -31 Vacation Bans: 23... Change from Last Edition: +1 Combined Bans: 75... Change from Last Edition: -30 Total Bans ([Click to View](#)) Staff Bans: 975... Change from Last Edition: -126 Vacation Bans: 83... Change from Last Edition: +21 Combined Bans: 1058... Change from Last Edition: -55

Forum Counts

Tab Counts ([Click to View](#)) Notable Sections [Lounge](#) Threads: 400,462 (+0.87%)

[Lounge](#) Posts: 5,513,323 (+0.98%)

[RANF](#) Threads: 41,814 (+1.22%)

[RANF](#) Posts: 552,178 (+1.13%) GeneralThreads: 583,994 (-5.61%)

Posts: 8,560,126 (-4.87%) HackingThreads: 587,717 (+0.83%)

Posts: 5,186,802 (+0.16%) ComputingThreads: 176,249 (+1.15%)

Posts: 1,503,499 (+1.06%) CodingThreads: 144,456 (+0.95%)

Posts: 1,257,951 (+1.04%) GamingThreads: 360,056 (+1.02%)

Posts: 3,776,821 (+1.19%) VIP AreaThreads: 108,546 (+0.71%)

Posts: 1,032,172 (+0.49%) GroupsThreads: 5,675 (+1.52%)

Posts: 252,875 (+3.39%) WebmasterThreads: 68,369 (+0.97%)

Posts: 503,814 (+0.89%) GraphicsThreads: 116,603 (+0.89%)

Posts: 887,748 (+0.76%) MarketplaceThreads: 724,579 (+1.33%)

Posts: 6,794,225 (+1.29%) MoneyThreads: 116,535 (+1.19%)

Posts: 1,597,244 (+0.85%)

Membership Counts

Groups ([Click to View](#)) Null28 Members (-4) Specialists38 Members (+24) Red Lions22 Members (~) Zero20 Members (~) Polymath36 Members (+13) L'appel du Vide131 Members (-84) Phoenix27 Members (+5) The Brotherhood112 Members (-5) Enterprise31 Members (+18) Legion41 Members (+2) Instinct - *#@?&%!186 Members (-16) Illuminati21 Members (-20) Studio80 Members (+14) Titans27 Members (~)

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What's this? An edition released on time? Have pigs begun to fly?!?

Expect a regular schedule from now on.

I would also like to ask that all readers respond to each edition, as even if your comments aren't productive, your show of support means a lot to us.

For those extra-dedicated readers, wearing the support signature featured at the top of this post would be amazing!

Perhaps select readers showcasing our siggy will get interviews or highlights ?
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By [Vinnie](#) [\(Click to View\)](#) iOS 8 Loophole Allows You to Play Retro Nintendo Games Using an Emulator

If you're a retro game lover and want to play them on your iPhone, then now you can. There was a security hole in the iOS 8 which makes it possible for you to play your favourite classic SNES games on your iPhone without the need to jailbreak your iPhone / device. Since Apple does not allow emulators on the Apple App store for copyright reasons, installing third party emulators and other applications that were unapproved is made quite difficult. However, the famous Date Trick allowed iOS emulator creators to bypass the App store restrictions - allowing them to run their own unofficial emulators on Apple devices such as iPhones and iPads. This hole is patched in the latest upcoming beta update for iOS 8.1.

SQL Injection Vulnerability in Yahoo! Contributors Network

Yahoo! Contributors Network is a network of authors that generates content such as photographs, videos and articles seen by over 600 million monthly visitors. This network was vulnerable to a time based blind SQL injection vulnerability. A blind SQL vulnerability could be exploited very easily by hackers to steal users, authors and databases that contain personal and private information. A fairly well known security team lead by Behrouz reported this flaw to the Yahoo! Security team a few months ago and they responded positively within a month and patched the vulnerability successfully. Subsequently, Yahoo! unfortunately announced their decision to shut down the Yahoo! contributors network due to it's increased popularity, and they removed all of the content which it had contained, except some of the work for fire content which still remains out there.

Using Malware to Hack ATM Machines Worldwide "Tyupkin"

Everybody loves money, especially cyber criminals who try different tricks to specifically target users card information. In the past, these cyber criminals used to use their card skimmers to try and steal credit and debit card numbers. However now the criminals are using a special malware that targets ATM machines to securely withdraw cash without even the need of a credit or debit card. The program being used is dubbed as Tyupkin and requires physical access to the ATM machine, to boot a 32 bit Windows platform off a CD in order to install the malware. According to researchers, this software has continued to evolve in the recent months, infecting ATM machines in Asia, Europe and America.

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By [Bonfire](#) [\(Click to View\)](#)

Backoff Malware Presses On

Found to be the source of numerous recent business intrusions, a trojan-horse aptly named "Backoff" has been running rampant in the business world. Focused on stealing financial data, this trojan has been seen in the inner-workings of big businesses like Dairy Queen and perhaps even Home Depot. Classified as a "point-of-sale" malware, this malicious set of code aims to steal

financial data before any security measures that attempt to safeguard said financial data can do anything. The target of many security specialists, and even the Secret Service, this "Backoff Trojan" has been highly monitored and more-so the Secret Service has sent out an advisory urging businesses to make sure their systems aren't compromised. More recently, hackers have reportedly targeted businesses such as Dairy Queen and Orange Julius (a partner of Dairy Queen) due to the fact that their systems have been known to be outdated, and not properly secured.

Shellshock and Awe

Unix systems alike are susceptible to one recent and major vulnerability in Bourne Again SHell (BASH), this vulnerability being named "Shell Shock", assumed to be named after the "SHell" found in "BASH." Many security researches say that this may be one of the biggest vulnerabilities to ever hit unix systems, allowing attackers to break into and control entire systems - with something as simple as one command. Although the attacks differ from system to system, this vulnerability has been said to be on the same severity level, or possibly even higher, than the recent, and more popular "[Heartbleed Bug](#)." Focused mainly on targetting unix system, "Shell Shock" aims to use poor coding habits and un-sanitized inputs against server administrators to seize control of systems for other malicious purposes. If you question whether or not any of your systems are vulnerable to this bug, there are many articles online including snippets of code to test your systems.

SnapSave Intrusion Brought to Light

"SnapChat" an app widely used by what is guessed to be primarily teens 13-17, allows users to send "snaps" or photos, that self-destruct after a set amount of time. Services like SnapSave, seek to avoid the self-destruction of aforesaid photos, no matter how revealing they may be. Said to have originated from SnapSave, a 13-GigaByte (GB) hacked database, full of photos and videos from over 200,000 users has been brought to the attention of numerous parties. Inside the aforementioned library is said to be chock-full of illegal photos and videos of underage SnapChat users, in some unmentionable situations. Although details of the intrusion aren't too out into the open, it is guessed that the source of the library was from SnapSave. Regardless of the developers of SnapChat pushing the protection of sensitive data, applications like SnapSave are putting pressure on said developers, and are making it apparent that security and protection are two major issues that need to be addressed everywhere.

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By [Roger Waters](#) & [Anima](#). ([Click to View](#))

Halo: The Master Chief Collection launch day multiplayer playlists announced:

The playlists that will be available to gamers on launch day for Halo: The Master Chief Collection were announced last week. What many game developing teams deal with when creating playlists for multiplayer areas of the game, they only need to deal with one game and a set amount of maps and gametypes. With Halo: The Master Chief Collection, 343 Industries has created playlists with maps from all four games in the collection.

The following playlists were revealed by [IGN](#) earlier this week:

Team Halo 2: Anniversary – Play a mix of Team Slayer and objective game types on re-mastered maps. 4v4.

Halo 2: Anniversary Rumble – Challenge seven other opponents on re-mastered maps. This is your fight and yours alone. 8-player Free-For-All.

Team Halo 2: Anniversary Social – Play with a team in unranked Team Slayer and objective game types on re-mastered maps. 5v5.

Team Slayer – Eliminate the enemy team across four Halo games: Halo: Combat Evolved, Halo 2, Halo 3, and Halo 2: Anniversary. Nothing but Team Slayer, 24/7. 4v4.

Big Team Battle – Battle it out in 16-player warfare with vehicles across Halo: Combat Evolved,

Halo 2, Halo 3, Halo 4, and Halo 2: Anniversary. 8v8.

Halo: Combat Evolved – The game that started it all. Play a mix of Slayer and objective game types in Halo: Combat Evolved for the first time on Xbox Live. 4v4.

Halo 2 Classic – It's back. A mix of the most popular Team Slayer and objective game types from the original Halo 2. 4v4.

Halo 3 – A selection of fan-favorite Team Slayer and objective game types from Halo 3. 4v4.

Halo 4 – A mix of Team Slayer and objective game types from Halo 4, on a selection of small to medium-sized maps. 5v5.

Team Hardcore – A collection of tournament-approved game types from Halo 2 and Halo 3. The Battle Rifle is your primary weapon. 4v4.

Halo eSports – The official Halo eSports playlist. 4v4.

SWAT (Rotational) – Aim for the head! A collection of SWAT game types on our favorite maps from Halo 2, Halo 3, Halo 4, and Halo 2: Anniversary. Players have no shields and are equipped with rifles. 4v4.

Another Destiny DLC Area Discovered, on Mars:

About a week ago, a player on Destiny came across a way that allowed him to explore an area on Venus, and days later another player came across another which allowed him to explore another unreleased area on Mars. YouTuber "se7ensins" located the area called Hypogeum by driving around Mars, particularly The Black Garden, which is also the area of the final campaign mission. The link to a video by se7ensins is embedded below, but be aware that it may contain spoilers to those who have not completed the campaign yet, and it also shows you how to access the unreleased area on Mars. This new area is scheduled to be added as part of the The Dark Below expansion DLC pack at some point in December.

Spoiler ([Click to View](#))

Minecraft Vita Release Date

Available pretty much on all of the most popular gaming devices, fans who own the PS Vita should expect Minecraft to be available for purchase soon. With no release dates for anywhere but Europe, Minecraft Vita edition will be on sale October 15th. You can see a tweet regarding the developers saying the game "past the final test" [here](#), which also includes a very entertaining short video on a world which was created on the Vita. Ever wanted to play Minecraft on the go? Don't have access to your PC/Laptop? Well now you can play Minecraft on the go! Since the release of the original Minecraft game back in 2009, the game has been downloaded more than 100 million times and has made Mojang over \$2.5 Billion, including the purchases from PC accounts to consoles. Minecraft now stands as the number 10 game in the UK.

Down with the Numbers

From the years of Halo to one of the newest, Halo 4, the first person shooter series has been popular amongst most gaming fans. The developers of the series, Bungie, has announced that the series will try their best to not add numbers in the title names. Halo 5: Guardians will most likely be the last game in the series with a number in the title. Halo bosses say to never expect a Halo 6, but something similar to a Halo: Reach styled name. With that being said, nothing has been released regarding whether Master Chief will or will not be in the newest games in the series. In the current series, there are only four without numbers in them, which are: Halo: Reach (which is a spinoff of ODST), Spartan Assault, and Halo Wars. Bonnie Ross (Current boss of the Halo series) also says that Halo is "not Final Fantasy", so the numbers should be dropped.

Diablo III Double XP Weekend

Diablo III will be offering a double XP weekend. This offer is currently only available for game owners on the 360/Xbox One, and PS3/PS4 consoles. Sorry PC gamers. In addition to the experience boost, you will also receive perks that can stack with others. Whether you want to make a new character and start over again or continue leveling up your main account to level 70, this is a

great way to boost your Paragon level or get max rank. Depending on the console you own, you will gain an even bigger boost. Those on the new-gen consoles will have the ability to kill more Treasure Goblins, as the spawn rate has been doubled. This is a great opportunity to receive better loot and a higher more chances to visit the Vault. Small tip before attempting to kill Treasure Goblins: Be sure that you have the reacquired items to stay alive and kill them off.

Release Dates for the Week of October 11, 2014: Borderlands: The Pre-Sequel! - PC, Play Station 3, Xbox 360 - October 14, 2014

Minecraft - Play Station Vita - October 14, 2014

Peggle 2 - Play Station 4 - October 14, 2014

Sleeping Dogs: Definitive Edition - PC, Play Station 4, Xbox One - October 14, 2014

The Evil Within - PC, Play Station 3, Play Station 4, Xbox 360, Xbox One - October 14, 2014

The Walking Dead - Play Station 4, Xbox One - October 14, 2014

Killer Instinct: Season 2 - Xbox One - October 15, 2014

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Google Glass Can Now Accurately Read Emotions, Age And Gender

Google Glass has an experimental app that can read a targets age, gender and even their emotional state. The company Fraunhofer IIS has released the app dubbed Shore™ which uses Google Glasses camera to detect and analyze facial expressions. It is able to determine information of the target the Google Glass user is looking at. The app was written in C++ and was trained by accessing information from a database with over 10000 different faces. Shore™ has a 91.5% chance of being correct about emotions, and 94.3% of detecting a targets gender.

Windows 9 Preview Shows Improvement Over Predecessor

Windows 9 has been rumored since the beginning of the year, and now we are getting pictures and a general idea of what is to come in the new Windows OS. The UI has changed in the start menu combining the old Windows 8 Metro start screen with the old start screen most users are familiar with. There are some changes besides the look, such as the placement of the main folder for your documents, picture etc but overall this change seems to be welcomed by the Windows community. If you got used to the Metro start screen you will be able to keep it the way it is in Windows 8, the start menu change is optional.

Window 9 Start Screen Preview ([Click to View](#))

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<http://www.extremetech.com/computing/189976-windows-9-start-menu-makes-video-debut-windows-7-fans-should-finally-be-happy>

Google Extends Refund Window For Android Apps

Android Apps on the Google Play Store used to have a window of 15 minutes to decide if you liked the app after purchase, and Google has extended the time. The time is now set to 2 hours to get a refund for an Android app. The refund option will only work once, so if you purchase an app and get a refund you will now longer be able to get a refund if you purchase it again. The extension went into effect about a month ago, but was just added to Google's official app store policy on their support page.

Chrome For Mac Will Be Strictly 64-bit By November

This may be sad news for the people still using an older Mac machine. Google has announced that they have finished the 64-bit version of Chrome for OS X and it will be released in November. Google also stated that there will not be a separate 32-bit version, and users with an old Mac machine will be forced to update their machine if they want to use Chrome. Google believes this move is not going to leave that many people behind since most Mac users have 64-bit systems, but for those who still cherish their first-generation MacBook, it is time to shed some tears and say goodbye. On the bright side, the new 64-bit Chrome should be even faster and more secure than before.

Vest Translates Sound Into Vibration For The Hearing Impaired

Every day, more gadgets to assist people with disabilities arise. For the hearing impaired, simple tasks like crossing the street can be risky. A new vest aims to put an end to these dangers. Neuroscientist Dr. David Eagleman has begun developing a "vibrating vest" that essentially vibrates when there are noises around you. The vest contains an array of vibration motors which vibrates on the vest specifically to indicate the direction of the sound. The instant tactile feedback the vest provides gives the hearing impaired an ease of mind. Also, Eagleman says that with training, your brain can actually translate the vest's vibrations, and overall make the feedback from the vest feel more natural. Eagleman stated that he wants to use this vest to not only assist the hearing impaired, but also completely restores their hearing with the vest.

SanDisk's Extreme Pro SD Card

Finally, the people experimenting with 4k video have a way to store their footage. SanDisk's new Extreme Pro SD card has an insane speed of 95MB/s meaning you can shoot 4k video with no interruptions. Also, the card has 512 GB of storage space, which leaves plenty of room for other important files as well. This card is priced at \$800, and there are cheaper variants if you do not need all of that storage space. The other variants include 128 GB or 256 GB of storage space.

Google Letting College Students Borrow A Chromebook

When most people go off to college, they buy a laptop themselves to take with for all their assignments. Most people inevitably regret spending more money in the long run, which led Google to start rolling out the Chromebook Lending Library. The Library lets you borrow a Chromebook for a few days, as long as they are on the school Grounds it is yours, which means it can be used to do everything you need, while saving you some cash. The Library is starting its program in Syracuse at Walnut Park and Texas State University next week, and it will go to other colleges in the following weeks. Google did not release how many of these Libraries will exist, so we can only hope there is a decent number.

FuelWear Shirt Adjusts Heat To Keep You Just Warm Enough

There are plenty of clothing items to keep you warm, sweaters, jackets, long pants, but they aren't the smartest pieces of clothing out there. Seeing as if you get too hot you need to stop wearing the heavy clothing that was keeping you warm in the first place. It is somewhat of an inconvenience, but that should all be changing now thanks to two engineers. The two engineers teamed up to make the FuelWear Flame Base Layer, which is a shirt that is self-heating. All you do is set your desired body temp and the shirt will heat up to reach that, then shut off to keep you from becoming too hot. The shirt itself has already raised its \$20,000 goal on IndieGoGo. The campaign is still going on, so if you want to grab one, head on over to [this link](#), you will be able to get it for \$150, which is \$100 less than the launch price.

Car Company Known As Local Motors 3D Prints A Car In Six Days

When someone says 3D printing, you think models, knick-knacks, weapons maybe, but not a car. A company called Local Motors decided that they were going to print a car at IMTS, which is a

manufacturer show in Chicago. The car itself would, apart from the engine, battery and suspension, be all 3D printed. The plastic used is carbon-reinforced, and it was produced using a Big Area Additive Manufacturing printer. While this isn't the first 3D printed car, it is the fastest to be done. The last one made was an Urbee 2, which was done in 2500 hours, while this one, known as the Strati, was done in about 144 hours. The car was indeed done for the deadline and went on its first test drive Sunday Sept 14, 2014. While we are still far away from affordable 3D printed cars for all, this is a step in the right direction. If you want to check out the test drive, click [here](#).

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Oak - October 13, 2014, 8:25 pm

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Every week - assuming we get enough submissions - the HF News will feature the best submitted battlestation.

Send Sir a message by clicking [here](#) and including an imgur link or video of your battlestation!

'[Snorlax](#)'s Battlestation ([Click to View](#))

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Shame - October 13, 2014, 8:57 pm

gr8 edition sir. Glad to be apart of it

Roger Waters - October 13, 2014, 8:58 pm

Great edition this week, was a pleasure to take part in this.

Jason™ - October 13, 2014, 8:58 pm

Awesome edition as usual. Good job with the news, sir.

guycheap - October 13, 2014, 8:59 pm

Well done sir truly something to be proud off!

Cyrus - October 13, 2014, 8:59 pm

Amazing edition as per usual. #1stpage

Vitani's Mate - October 13, 2014, 9:00 pm

Wow this edition came out pretty fast.

How time flies.

Remix™ - October 13, 2014, 9:01 pm

Man this was a great read as usual :D thanks for the great content

Justin Timberlake - October 13, 2014, 9:01 pm

Hope you guys enjoy this one! Gogogo read

Remix™ - October 13, 2014, 9:01 pm

Also I thought that rep resets never happen? O.o

Supreme??????? - October 13, 2014, 9:07 pm

Nice edition you got here. Keep up the good work, Writers!

Zautra - October 13, 2014, 9:08 pm

Shouldn't this be red?

Mr. winchester - October 13, 2014, 9:17 pm

Another great read! Look forward to next week! Good job team!

Thornzzz - October 13, 2014, 9:17 pm

Harlem's voice makes me want to run his face into the stack of unpaid bills he has on his desk.

Harbo5 - October 13, 2014, 9:18 pm

Britney sounds like an intersting person.

Raptor. - October 13, 2014, 9:58 pm

Great job Sir. Why have writers when you write it all yourself? Cmon guys, give props to the article writers as well as Sir.

b?xxy - October 13, 2014, 10:00 pm

Great edition, I enjoyed reading this one ?

Griev?us - October 13, 2014, 10:03 pm

That was a really fast release since the old one.

Great work news team!

Time to look at the wonderful comics. ?

Frostix - October 13, 2014, 10:13 pm

Hey look, I'm in the news. Thanks for the interview.

Seisou - October 13, 2014, 10:16 pm

I didn't understand the podcast at all. It all seemed like weird inside jokes and paying out British people. >.>

Much easier just reading the text. :)

SIM-2015410 - October 14, 2014, 12:18 am

Another great edition, glad to be a part of it ?.

xtremegamer1882 - October 14, 2014, 12:31 am

Thanks for releasing another edition. I keep the comics and would love to see more than just 6

sweatpants - October 14, 2014, 1:28 am

Thanks for another Update man, I'm definitely going to be wearing your signature.

Raptor. - October 14, 2014, 2:34 am

(Oct 13, 2014 10:16 PM)Seisou Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I didn't understand the podcast at all. It all seemed like weird inside jokes and paying out British people. >.>

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Welcome to the Writ3rs. That's basically us in a nutshell.

Solomon Grundy - October 14, 2014, 3:35 am

stunned about the mass account closure...too bad, thnks sir for updates as usual

Raz3d - October 14, 2014, 3:48 am

A pleasure reading as always. I loved the Art Gallery!

DotPSD - October 14, 2014, 4:13 am

Good read as always, enjoyed it.

Thank you for your time & graphics.

Income. - October 14, 2014, 4:20 am

As always I enjoy to read the HF site news and the gaming news. Great effort put into this all Writers!

420 Blaze It - October 14, 2014, 4:27 am

Great edition Sir, 2nd best that I've read so far!

tired- - October 14, 2014, 4:35 am

One day... One day I will be the first.

EziNet - October 14, 2014, 4:50 am

{Wear our HFN Support Signature in the Second Post!}

Where is Support Signature?

bad - October 14, 2014, 4:56 am

(Oct 14, 2014 04:50 AM)BitMoney Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) {Wear our HFN Support Signature in the Second Post!}

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EziNet - October 14, 2014, 5:05 am

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OK< thank you. wearing now. ?

revelationpvp - October 14, 2014, 5:12 am

Seem's cool, But i cant wear it cause i'm not l33t :(

Raptor. - October 14, 2014, 5:16 am

(Oct 14, 2014 05:12 AM)revelationpvp Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Seem's cool, But i cant wear it cause i'm not l33t :(

You could always make your own using a text hyperlink without an image. Every little bit helps.

'Snorlax - October 14, 2014, 5:32 am

Nice battlestation, Snorlax!

Thanks, Snorlax!

im so funny.

Specs:CPU: i7 2600k @ 4.5 GHz and Corsair H100

RAM: 32 GB Corsair Vengeance @ 1933 MHz

GPU: Inno3D GTX 780 Ti iChill HerculeZ Ultra DHS Edition

Motherboard: MSI Z77A-G45

Drives: 2x Samsung EVO 250GB in RAID 0 (1 GB/s read and write) - 120GB Corsair Force III - 2TB WD Black @ 7200 RPM - 750GB Samsung @ 7200 RPM

PSU: Cooler Master G750M 750W 80+ Bronze

Case: Corsair Air 540

Tonight - October 14, 2014, 7:22 am

If you listened to the podcast in its entirety, here's the verbal reading of the write up.

<http://vocaroo.com/i/s1b4PX4SYsZ3>

Quiver - October 14, 2014, 7:59 am

Thanks for the new, Sir! I'm wearing the signature for support ?

Chrazy - October 14, 2014, 8:17 am

Harlem's voice sticks out so bad around the Americans.

Evanescent - October 14, 2014, 8:22 am

Omni is really striving hard to raise the price of OMC, as mining id proportional to the difficulty and for sure it increases the price.

I am feeling really bad for benzi, he is just amazing with his SQLi skills.

Grin - October 14, 2014, 8:23 am

Hi,

Be sure to watch the Podcast for laughs and an exciting environment.

Also, do not forget to share the HF news with your family.

Rivalry - October 14, 2014, 1:52 pm

Great to see a return to normality in terms of the schedule! You've worked really hard on this, Sir, and it's finally starting to pay off. This was the best edition in a while, imo.

Aurora - October 14, 2014, 2:09 pm

Another very nice edition Sir. Always enjoy reading these. ?

Justin Timberlake - October 14, 2014, 2:28 pm

(Oct 14, 2014 07:22 AM)Satu Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) If you listened to the podcast in its entirety, here's the verbal reading of the write up.

<http://vocaroo.com/i/s1b4PX4SYsZ3>

Soft and soothing, I recite it every night before bed.

Bonfire - October 14, 2014, 3:41 pm

Graphics game on point. This editions hot off the press, and an awesome read as usual.

Rote - October 14, 2014, 4:52 pm

Another fantastic read!

Thanks to all the hackforums news team again, glad these are coming out more often!

?lien - October 14, 2014, 5:41 pm

Good deal on the HFNT signature graphic but it animates too quickly and repeats too quickly, personally. I think it should stall a few more seconds at the end.

VYKTOR - October 15, 2014, 3:05 am

Great work once again by the Writers.

I was surprised really to see this edition so early.

Good to know things are getting back on track.

I love reading HF news.

Skylar™ - October 15, 2014, 3:08 am

Great addition as always, although I found myself re-reading this one again and again.. Great job guys!

Formant - October 15, 2014, 11:55 am

Good read as always. You guys did a great job with this and I was not expecting it to be out already!

Vape Lord Nord - October 15, 2014, 12:50 pm

The overall news was alright, loved the comics. Staying tuned for the next podcast lol, this one made me laugh a bit.

ISO - October 15, 2014, 2:53 pm

Nice edition , glad to see SupportForums may be active again ;)

ProKitzel - October 15, 2014, 3:48 pm

I enjoyed reading the news. It's made me want to go back through all the old ones to get a good feel for this forum.

WillTheThrill - October 15, 2014, 7:29 pm

What happend to the science news, etc?

Oak - October 15, 2014, 9:03 pm

(Oct 15, 2014 07:29 PM)WillTheThrill Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) What happend to the science news, etc?

We were unable to find enough reliable members to regularly produce off-topic news. As such, we kept only the most relevant and cut all of the rest.

Raptor. - October 16, 2014, 12:59 am

(Oct 14, 2014 05:41 PM)?lien Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Good deal on the HFNT signature graphic but it animates too quickly and repeats too quickly, personally. I think it should stall a few more seconds at the end.

I agree fully. I'll wear one as soon as that issue gets fixed.

Baghead - October 16, 2014, 6:27 pm

Looks like we're back on schedule ?

Hexicidal - October 16, 2014, 7:17 pm

(Oct 16, 2014 06:27 PM)Baghead Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Looks like we're back on schedule ?
'til next week boys.

Keep it up. ?

eight - October 16, 2014, 9:13 pm

Did Sir write all of this? What a hq member.

?SandBox™ - October 17, 2014, 1:41 am

Great edition of the news and podcast. Favroite part "hey let's get Brittany back, Naw FDB" lol great job guys.

Black Shadow - October 17, 2014, 4:31 pm

Great edition and I will wear your sig with pride as you do a fantastic job.

webdev77 - October 17, 2014, 5:36 pm

(Oct 16, 2014 06:27 PM)Baghead Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Looks like we're back on schedule ?
I'm glad to hear it. I was missing the news for awhile.

Shanks - October 18, 2014, 1:08 am

So much work too this ;) you're team is doing good. nice read

Auxil - October 18, 2014, 1:27 am

Very nice. Looks like a really great edition this week. The art gallery was nice, and holy hell at the tech news.

Can't wait for the next edition.

BoX. - October 18, 2014, 10:50 am

Another great addition of the news! I don't usually post on the news threads but I read them all the time. Keep up the great work, guys, all the work you put in really shows. ?

Louis C.K. - October 18, 2014, 11:39 am

I read these posts often. Great share and really nice detailed post, keeps me up to date on current HF news. Too bad the sig is only for upgraded members

Mikavw - October 20, 2014, 9:21 am

Another great edition, keep it up!
It came out really fast as well.

Nobility - October 20, 2014, 12:11 pm

(Oct 16, 2014 09:13 PM)eightworks Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Did Sir write all of this? What a hq member. No read credits, it's more like Sir's the face + leader of the community of writers.

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Roger Waters - October 20, 2014, 8:59 pm

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vouch.

sir has a beautiful face, wouldn't hesitate to deal with.

Oak - October 21, 2014, 11:17 pm

Thank y'all for reading, we really appreciate each and every one of you - especially those who wear our support signature!

Please regularly respond with your thoughts or interest, even simple acknowledgements means a lot.