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Thread: [HF News // Edition 235](#)

Hydra - April 13, 2015, 9:49 pm

The edition you are currently reading is the 235th edition of the HF News. To read any older editions of the HF News, please go [here](#).

Upcoming Mobile Changes

Google will start to incorporate mobile-friendliness into how it orders search results on mobile platforms starting April 21st. In order to maintain Hack Forums' hard-earned SEO stats, [Omniscient](#) has been toying with mobile viewing and is considering a responsive design since a dedicated app is out of the question. On April 9th, many mobile users were reporting the site appearing crushed together and posts were not uniform. This issue has since been fixed. There have been countless requests to make the forum more mobile-compatible, and users are excited to see the mobile changes in action. [>>Source](#)

Trust Scan in Beta

[Omniscient](#) has coded another wonderful feature for the community. On top of two-factor authorization and the other handful features we have received in the past couple weeks, we now have a way to 'scan' a member before dealing with them. At the time of writing this, it is in beta for Ub3r members only and is still being worked on. It contains information regarding IP changes, deal disputes, and more. [>>Source](#)

Debug Back on Track

Debug's launch was met with great excitement; seeing as the previous dedicated programming user group ended circa 2012. However, following the ban of both leaders, the group fell to pieces and members lost hope. Fortunately, Debug is back on course and intends to teach any willing member how to program. If you feel yourself able to teach and construct lessons in a language, please see the recruitment thread [here](#).

User News [FamousHater](#) and [Japanese](#) hit 2,000 reputation points.

[Fictional](#) hit 1,000 reputation points.

[adampelletgun](#) hit 24,000 posts.

Bans* [Douchebag # 145](#), [dolores](#) and [Baghead](#) were banned permanently for account sharing.

[nickchan](#) was banned for reporting an admins post.

[Neulen](#) was banned for a reputation violation.

[Munch](#) was banned with the reason: "Multiple Accounts/Ban Evader/Scammer."

Vacations [Cryptic™](#) took a vacation ban.

[Th3 J0k3r](#) took a vacation ban.

[Th3PonyWizard](#) took a vacation ban.

[?Jordan Belfort](#) took a vacation ban.

[LovoI](#) took a vacation ban.

Closures [Arcanine](#) had their account closed.

[SwiftBot](#) had their account closed.

Repfucks [Arcanine](#) was repfucked.

[SwiftBot](#) was repfucked.

[nickchan](#) was repfucked.

[Neulen](#) was repfucked for a reputation violation.

Awards [Orchid](#) donated for the Grand Amethyst award & received the White Hat Helper award.

[AnonNinja™](#) donated for the Grand Amethyst award & received the Ninja award.

[Tick](#) donated for the Master Donator award & received the Spy award.

[nokia2mon2](#) received a second Grand Amethyst award and the Benefactor award.

* - As of the Monday prior to release.

Informational Threads

---[April 21 and Google Mobile](#) - [Omniscient](#)

---Are you ready for Google's big mobile-friendly change? Find out more about Google's step towards mobile-friendly searches!

---[Calculate Your HF Prestige \[Updated on 4/8\]](#) - [xadamxk](#)

---xadamxk has been working nonstop to crack the formula behind members Prestige count.

Entertaining Threads

---[new donation from Red Lions group to HF 1200\\$](#) - [nokia2mon2](#)

---nokia2mon2 has once again made an extremely generous donation to Hack Forums in the name of his group, Red Lions.

Member Feedback Threads

---[Orchid's Voice Feedback](#) - [Orchid](#)

---Orchid's feedback thread.

---[What HackForums Means to Me \(The Era of Technological Exploration\) \[Voice Feedback\]](#) - [Vigor](#)

---Vigor's feedback thread.

---[iPlay's\(Insane\) 6 years on the board and my history](#) - [Insane](#)

---Insane's feedback thread.

Contests & Giveaways

---[\[FORTUNE\] \\$50 GIVEAWAY // 2 WINNERS // \\$25 EACH //](#) - [PositiveEnergy](#)

---Fortune is hosting a \$50 giveaway with two winners! If you'd like some spare cash then check out the thread to have a chance to win!

Miscellaneous

---[How many hours do you spend at your PC?](#) - [bobbycharles](#)

---How many hours are you spending on your computer?

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

[Astute:](#) Hello Chaos. Welcome to the 235th Edition of the HF News. Any shoutouts before we begin?

[Chaos:](#) Sure! I'd like to give a shoutout to my Titans family.

[Astute:](#) That's alright. So tell me Chaos, how did you find HackForums?

[Chaos:](#) Funny story. I was introduced to HF through a friend on a RuneScape Private Server, he claimed HF had hacks for RuneScape and whatnot, I know now how stupid I had been for thinking it was true, however I followed and found myself opening to a great community and a cool bunch of people. I definitely do not regret my decision at all. I was also eager to add to my graphics skill and had heard through friends with similar interests that HF had a whole category dedicated to the graphics scene. Through HF I believe I have drastically improved on my graphics expertise, and hope to keep doing so.

[Astute:](#) That's great. How long have you been doing graphics?

[Chaos:](#) Roughly five years, although my work probably does not show it, haha. It was something I was presented to by my brother and have stuck by it ever since, it is very enjoyable and I would recommend it to anyone willing to take it up.

[Astute:](#) Nice. So, how long do you spend on HackForums everyday?

[Chaos:](#) It's something that's been frustrating me lately but I find myself spending hours upon hours on HF, you can see that through my online time and the actual amount of time I've been here at HF. It's controversial however I've been trying to cut down lately, I believe myself to spend roughly 9 hours on HF daily, somewhat of an addiction. It's also surprisingly enough been cutting into my school work & revision.

[Astute:](#) How has HackForums affected your daily life?

[Chaos:](#) I wake up in the morning and the first thing I seem to do is check HF, it's both embarrassing and irksome. Just the other day I was at the cinema watching Fast and Furious 7 (great film by the way) and found myself pulling my phone out my pocket and browsing HF halfway through, my friends gave me a slightly unusual look and ever since I've been focusing on limiting my time on HF, realizing I've been somewhat overly attached to the forum. I understand most people would take a vacation ban and it's something I plan on doing in the near future, I know I'll be looked down upon for my response however it's nothing but the truth.

[Astute:](#) Speaking of your daily life, what activities do you partake in apart from browsing HackForums?

[Chaos:](#) I actually play football (soccer to you 'muricans) at a semi-professional level for Charlton Academy, as it's something I've always planned on pursuing as a career although something I believe I'm too late in doing so. Aside from football I also do other sport-related activities such as tennis, badminton & basketball; I'm an eager sportsman. Putting the sports to the side, I am currently still in school so I find myself dedicating a lot of my time to schoolwork & revision, excluding the 6 hours of school itself. Trust me though, I'm not an all too boring person, I do also enjoy going to the park with my friends for a kick about or to town.

[Astute:](#) Interesting! Do you partake in any academic extracurricular activities as well?

[Chaos:](#) A few, I participate in business or economic related activities after and during school, more out of the enjoyment aspect rather than the educational. I do also partake in a debating club - much to the disapproval of many - however I believe it helps me build my speech skills & my knowledge in

general, it definitely does have an educational factor. It is one reason I love both Void and the SRPP section so much.

[Astute](#): Speaking of debating, have you attended any debating tournaments? And also, with your debating experience, how do you plan on utilizing it to benefit HackForums at all?

[Chaos](#): I have participated in small school-related competitions but not at a tournament level, I've never took it upon myself to do so; I guess I'm not one who aims for over-achieving, although probably something I should plan on doing. I have never really thought of using it at benefit HF, to the SRPP section & it's members maybe (just kidding) although it would be difficult to see how I could use it at the benefit of HF, I assume you mean by arguing for or against suggestions which is something I'm already doing, haha!

[Astute](#): Nice! So, have you made any recent large contributions to HackForums? Do you plan on doing so in the future?

[Chaos](#): I've created a few tutorials over the past month, some being graphics related and others gaming. At the donation and other community aspects I also recently upgraded a member to L33T and have donated a fair amount. I plan on doing whatever I can to ensure I help out the community as much as possible, starting with tutorials and to hopefully building it into something more.

[Astute](#): That's great! Well, that's all the time we have for this interview unfortunately. Are there any closing comments that you have for us?

[Chaos](#): I'd like to congratulate and thank the news/wiki team for all their continuous effort and their recent work that goes unnoticed to many. I'd also like to thank yourself for interviewing me, Astute.

Interview - [Butt Cheeks \(Click to View\)](#)

[Clique](#): Hey there welcome to the HF news. This time we're joined with Butt Cheeks. Any shout outs before we begin?

[Butt Cheeks](#): I would like to thank Canada., PositiveEnergy, and Daisy even though I don't know where she is anymore.

[Clique](#): Shout out to them! What's your story? How'd you get where you are?

[Butt Cheeks](#): Well I'm 17 years old, and have been on HF for a little less than four years I believe. Always been a huge fan of the forum, but a lot of the time I do not have time to get on due to real life. Anyways, I have not been on HF for around a year. School, girlfriend, and sports were just too busy in my life. But recently, an event has happened that will forever alter my life. I made some poor decisions, which ended up costing me big time. I was expelled from my school as a junior, so now I will be having to homeschool for the rest of this year. It's not easy not being able to see my friends, my girlfriend, and especially not being able to play baseball. But homeschooling is going extremely well. I have mostly A's, and have a lot more free time to spend with my family.

[Clique](#): Glad that everything is working out alright. What'd you end up doing when you first joined the forum?

[Butt Cheeks](#): First like most of the users on the forum, I was trying to get free lobbies for xbox. But I ended up learning how to make a little cash, and fell in love. Since then, my HF journey has just been one big scheme to make money.

[Clique](#): I remember you being in 143 back when it first started up. How are groups different from back when 143 and others were around?

[Butt Cheeks](#): 143 is about the best group you could have ever been a part of. For me, 143 was so great because of its community. So many groups claim to have this, but 143 was the only one that did that I was a part of. You could talk there without being judged, and someone was always there to help you out. Whether it was money problems, innuendo, etc. Someone was there.

Back then groups meant more than they do now, now it is really just a userbar.

[Clique:](#) How was HF back when you joined compared to how it is now? Was there any particular point in time that you enjoyed the most?

[Butt Cheeks:](#) HF back when I joined was fun. Since I was just getting started, it was more of a "rush" than it is now. Now I just like to browse when I am bored. But I would say HF has remained pretty consistent with how it has always been.

[Clique:](#) Have any advice for people who want to make money online?

[Butt Cheeks:](#) Many HF eBooks are crap, but some are actually gold. But if you want a fail-proof method to make money online, go out and figure out a method for yourself. If you come up with your own working method, you never have to worry about spending money on useless junk.

[Clique:](#) Very true. What else do you do in your spare time?

[Butt Cheeks:](#) I game a little, and I also love to watch baseball and football on TV. My favorite teams are the braves, and Alabama.

[Clique:](#) Thanks for taking the time to do this interview with me dude. Any final words?

[Butt Cheeks:](#) Thanks to everyone that I have ever met on this website, and for those who have made my stay so great! Shoutout to the group Fortune. I hope everyone has a wonderful day! Thanks for letting me partake in the interview.

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PSA: Watch Out for Ponzi Schemes

With Omnicoin rising in popularity, scammers are starting to look at it as an avenue for revenue. Recently, a few different posts have popped up offering incredible returns on investments in a matter of days. These are nothing more than ponzi schemes, which are [explicitly disallowed on HF](#), and they will [inevitably collapse](#). Save your money, and your time. If you see any people pushing sites promising incredible returns, remember they fall under disallowed blackhat activity, and in the end, will screw you.

Burst Mining Continues

Much to the community's chagrin, multiple miners are still burst mining, resulting in difficulty spikes, long confirmation times, and reduced profits for everyone, including the burst miners. If you're someone who is burst mining, you're making a lot less than if you could be than if you mine consistently. Hopefully, burst mining will fade out as time wears on, and the mining community will be able to mine consistently once again.

Weekly Highlights[Fortune OMC Pool \(pool.omnicoin.net\) // No Fees / Multiple Stratum Servers / Vardiff](#) by [crystal](#).
[OMC-Rates Changes/Updates \(Last Updated on April 9\)](#) by [Cryptic™](#)
[What Do We Need?](#) by [Legion](#).

New OMC Exclusives

[>>ENTERPRISE<<|START YOUR OWN HF BUSINESS|WEALTH|POWER|CONTROL YOUR DESTINY >\\$15.00<](#)

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: 45,667,114 (+0.25%)
Threads: 3,274,345 (+0.35%)
Members: 2,684,678 (+0.34%) Average ([Click to View](#)) Daily Posts: 13,996 (+0.02%)
Daily Threads: 1,003 (+0.01%)
Daily New Members: 822 (+0.12%)
Posts Per Member: 17 (~)
Replies Per Thread: 13 (~)

Ban Statistics

Last Week's Bans ([Click to View](#)) Staff Bans: 95... Change from Last Edition: -3 Vacation Bans: 18
... Change from Last Edition: -4 Combined Bans: 113... Change from Last Edition: -7 Total
Bans ([Click to View](#)) Staff Bans: 742... Change from Last Edition: -28 Vacation Bans: 112...
Change from Last Edition: -3 Combined Bans: 854... Change from Last Edition: -31

Forum Counts

Tab Counts ([Click to View](#)) Notable Sections [Lounge](#) Threads: 421,038 (+0.19%)
[Lounge](#) Posts: 5,951,917 (+0.20%)
[RANF](#) Threads: 45,049 (+0.24%)
[RANF](#) Posts: 586,353 (+0.20%) GeneralThreads: 621,925 (-6.52%)
Posts: 9,260,455 (-5.73%) HackingThreads: 625,889 (+0.26%)
Posts: 5,489,580 (+0.27%) ComputingThreads: 188,152 (+0.23%)
Posts: 1,604,052 (+0.21%) CodingThreads: 151,873 (+0.19%)
Posts: 1,316,935 (+0.17%) GamingThreads: 390,408 (+0.37%)
Posts: 4,040,763 (+0.26%) VIP AreaThreads: 112,506 (+0.14%)
Posts: 1,054,908 (+0.22%) GroupsThreads: 6,053 (+0.41%)
Posts: 262,575 (+0.48%) WebmasterThreads: 72,430 (+0.21%)
Posts: 530,224 (+0.21%) GraphicsThreads: 122,480 (+0.17%)
Posts: 926,983 (+0.12%) MarketplaceThreads: 787,935 (+0.36%)
Posts: 7,386,836 (+0.34%) MoneyThreads: 123,074 (+0.18%)
Posts: 1,662,806 (+0.15%)

Membership Counts

Groups ([Click to View](#)) Null31 Members (+3) Specialists39 Members (-4) Red Lions22
Members (+1) Zero80 Members (+3) Polymath35 Members (+1) L'appel du Vide102
Members (+5) The Brotherhood80 Members (-1) Echo62 Members (~) AnimeFAN!72
Members (~) Fortune210 Members (+139) Nightfall147 Members (-26) Debug23 Members (+9)
Titans34 Members (+1)

* - As of the Friday prior to release.

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What do you think of the new Sales Tags?

[Jaxius](#)

"I believe there should to be a certain amount of posts and/or prestige in order to gain a sales tag. Or should have extended time for X prestige. (For the sales tag to be on your thread.)"

[Dean Winchester?](#)

"I honestly like the concept of the sales tag, however the way they currently work; No thanks. When every user can purchase a tag saying "Best offer" despite their price being 10% above most of the competition, it kind of ruins the point."

[Realizm](#)

"I think the sales tags are a nice little extra feature to help with both marketing in the marketplace along with helping the price of OMC."

Poll Results

Short delay for this edition, my apologies. It's been a pretty calm week, we're all just busy. No updates for this week besides our recruitment so make sure to apply if interested. Got suggestions? Post away! Also, send me battlestations to show off your station/rig.

HFNT Writers

We are now recruiting, make sure to apply if you want to help out and join the team! [\[CLICK HERE\]](#)

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An 8th Grader Charged With Felony

Though it was intended to be a harmless prank, a 14-year old 8th grader from Florida, USA has been charged with a felony on the grounds of computer intrusion after he shoulder-surfed his teacher while she typed the school's network password. The young man, Domanik Green, had used this password to log into he teacher's computer and change the desktop background image to a picture of two men kissing, but since one of the computers he accessed contained questions to the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT), albeit encrypted, it was treated as a much more serious offense. Though it is easy to blame the child for his wrongdoings, it is important for the system administrators to maintain a higher level of security as there has been a history of weak passwords, poor network security, and unauthorized access at the school. During an interview with Green, it had been discovered that several students had not only known the password, but some had even been in trouble with inappropriate use of it. They'd often log into one another's computers to use the cameras to play pranks, but none of them understood the repercussions that could have, and ultimately did, ensue. [>>Source](#)

French News Station Leaks Its Passwords on Live TV

The TV5Monde in France was the victim of a cyber attack having 11 of its news stations' signals interrupted as well as its Facebook Page accessed by unauthorized people and defaced. This attack was seemingly executed by an Islamic group as several Pro-Islam photos and videos were posted on the page as well as statements regarding the French Charlie Hebdo massacre tragedy that took place in January. However, precautions by TV5Monde should have been taken such as not having passwords written down out in the open. David Delos, a reporter and correspondent for TV5Monde, unwittingly filmed himself in front of a staff member's desk which had been covered with sticky notes containing various usernames and passwords. He had revealed the passwords for the station's official Twitter and Instagram accounts which were later used to aid in the cracking of YouTube and Facebook passwords. The station has since updated to more secure passwords, since the password "lemotdepassedeyoutube" (English Translation: "the password of youtube") is highly

insecure and easily guessable. This goes to show that even in today's high-tech environments, a simple user error can lead to detrimental effects. [>>Source](#)

Security Flaws in Automatic Drug Administration Hardware

A security researcher by the name of Bill Rios had been hospitalized for emergency surgery, but he spent much of his time prior to going to the hospital searching for security vulnerabilities in the software running on the network-connected device. With over 55,000 units in hospitals around the world, he found a potentially deadly vulnerability that allows attackers from within the network or even across the Internet to raise and lower the dosage remotely. The [LifeCare PCA Infusion System](#), the model that was used by Rios' hospital, does not use authentication in its internal libraries for drug administration, so an unauthorized attacker can load malicious libraries that raise the dose limit to lethal levels. The company boasts that the machine has inherent mechanisms for ensuring that human-errors don't result in lethal doses, such as accidentally inputting too high of a dose. Rios did not find that you could change the actual dosage, but he highlighted the inherent insecurity of this preventative measure. [>>Source](#)

Apple Patches "Rootpipe" Privilege Escalation Flaw in OS X

A Privilege Escalation flaw in Apple's Mac OS X was found in Early October 2014 by a researcher. The flaw is said to be around since 2011 at the earliest, and has been patched by Apple this week. The vulnerability, known as "rootpipe", was discovered by a security software engineer last year. Full details have been released since the patching of this vulnerability, by Apple, with the release of 10.10.3. According to the security software engineer Emil Kvarnhammar, this vulnerability (CVE-2015-1130), which is a part of the Admin framework of OS X, has been around in OS X since the release of OS X 10.7 (Lion), which was released in July of 2011. Kvarnhammar has also stated that the flaw can be exploited with physical access to the device, but could also be exploited through remote code execution exploits. Apple was informed of the exploit on October 3rd, 2014 and later stated that it was going to be patched in mid-January, but was patched in March with the release of OS X 10.10.3 public beta, and eventually to everyone last Wednesday. [>>Source](#)

'Darwin Nuke' Vulnerability Discovered in Apple's OS X and iOS

Kaspersky Lab discovered a vulnerability in the kernel of Darwin, a component of both of Apple's OS X and iOS operating systems. In a statement made last week, they referred to the vulnerability as "Darwin Nuke" and exposes devices running OS X 10.10 and iOS 8 to Denial of Service (DoS) attacks which are remotely activated. Such attacks could damage devices and impact the networks they are connected to. In the statement, Kaspersky states: "At first sight, it is very hard to exploit this bug, as the conditions attackers need to meet are not trivial ones," said Anton Ivanov, senior malware analyst at Kaspersky Lab. "But persistent cybercriminals can do so, breaking down devices or even affecting the activity of corporate networks." Kaspersky also stated that the vulnerability affects 64-bit processors and iOS 8, meaning iPhone 5s, iPhone 6, iPhone 6 Plus, iPad Air, iPad Air 2, iPad mini 2, and iPad mini 3 are all vulnerable. Kaspersky recommends that all OS X 10.10 and iOS 8 users update their devices to the latest software update, 10.10.3 and iOS 8.3. [>>Source](#)

Mozilla Pushes Out Patch for Firefox Encryption Flaw

Mozilla Firefox received a new update last week for an encryption flaw which would allow sites to bypass certificate verification checks. Earlier in the week, Mozilla released Firefox 37.0 which included support for HTTP/2, an internet standard which allows all web connections to be encrypted when HTTPS isn't supported by the page. The update was designed to improve some of the basic security for the browser, but unfortunately a flaw allowed one researcher to find a way to bypass the certificate verification when web servers redirected visitors through the HTTP/2 systems. As a result of this flaw, invalid SSL certificate warnings would not display properly and attackers

could use a man-in-the-middle (MITM) attack, allowing them to impersonate legitimate pages and use it to deliver malware or steal confidential data. In the new 37.0.1 update, this bug is fixed by disabling the HTTP/2 encryption. Browsers should update automatically, if not, 37.0.1 can be found on Mozilla's website. [>>Source](#)

Black Ops 3 Teaser and Leaks

On April 9th a teaser for the next installment in the Call of Duty series was released. The teaser, confirming that the next game in the series would be Black Ops 3 as opposed to the rumored World at War 3, featured a silhouette of a soldier from the game. The full image of this silhouette has been leaked, showing extremely futuristic gear on the soldier, very nearly confirming a future setting for Black Ops 3. A description of the game discovered on the official Call of Duty website by Twitter user @ThaTiemsz describes the game as follows: "Call of Duty®: Black Ops 3 is the first title for next-gen hardware in the critically acclaimed Black Ops series. Developed by Treyarch, the award-winning creator of the two most played games in Call of Duty® history. Call of Duty: Black Ops 3 deploys players into a dark, twisted future where a new breed of Black Ops soldiers emerges and the lines are blurred between our own humanity and the technology we created to stay ahead, in a world where cutting-edge military robotics define warfare. With three unique game modes: Campaign, Multiplayer, and Zombies, it providing fans with the deepest and most ambitious Call of Duty ever." The game's formal reveal has been set by the teaser to release on April 26th. [>>Source](#)

Playstation Plus Bonus Announced for Italy

On April 8th a new service was announced for Playstation Plus members in Italy, called Playstation Plus Bonus. The Bonuses that Italian Playstation Plus members can capitalize on come in three different areas: "vouchers," "discounts" and "benefits." The first month of this service includes a number of discounts on different Sony and Sony-partnered products and services. They're specifically noted as "a voucher for a 30 € discount on a flight on the Volagratis.com portal, a code to purchase a Sony SRS-X3 Bluetooth Speaker with a 60 € discount and one to subscribe to the Sky Online cinema and entertainment service for 14.98 € a month instead of 24.98 € until December 2015." New deals are to be released every month on the same date that the Playstation Plus Free Games are released. It has not been announced whether or not this Playstation Plus Bonus service can be expected to become available to other countries. [>>Source](#)

New Square Enix Game Being Teased At

A new website under the official Japanese Square Enix domain has emerged. The url itself lends to the idea that whatever the link leads to, it's "secret" for the time being. The link can be found here: <http://www.jp.square-enix.com/secret/>. The reveal for this is expected to be on April 13th, since the Facebook sharing link in the corner brings that date up. Absolutely zero information besides what's been shared here, along with a few jumbled letters and numbers on the "secret" page, is currently known about this project. Square Enix is known for developing the Final Fantasy game series among a myriad of other famous titles. [>>Source](#)

Apple Releases iOS 8.3

Last Wednesday Apple released the new iOS 8.3, much to the surprise of many iPhone holders. It was the third major update to iOS 8, bringing with it new emoji updates, wireless carplay & the spacebar UI fix. The new iOS is finally available as an over-the-air download.

The main focus on the release of the new iOS was the emoji improvements - most likely due to the

complaints - bringing an updated emoji picker that organizes emoji's into lists making them more user-friendly and easier to use. They've also introduced skin tones to emojis for those to create lifelike images of themselves when texting and whatnot. There are also several new flags and updated phone, computer, and watch emoji that now resemble the iPhone, iMac, and Apple Watch.

Other changes include wireless carplay, letting users connect their iPhones to their CarPlay system sans Lightning cable, which supports google two-factor authentication adding to the security and persistence of iOS. The popular Siri module has also gained several new languages due to the increased demand, plus the ability to make calls using the iPhone's speakerphone. So make sure you've downloaded the new iOS if you haven't already! [>>Source](#)

Google work on new mobile-friendly changes

In roughly two weeks time Google plan to make drastic changes to it's mobile search and the way several sites function whilst on mobile, giving mobile friendly websites a higher ranking on their search engines. These are momentous changes from the website that makes up 75% of the search engine usage.

The algorithm changes go into effect on the 21st of April affecting mobile searches in all languages online. Google did send out a warning saying that the new mobile friendly updates could make significant impact on how we use our phones whilst browsing & especially the search results; they also offered up a link that allowed website owners to check if their website was mobile-friendly! However those websites that are not mobile friendly will see themselves drop in terms of search results, as Google are planning on ranking websites that are mobile-friendly above those that are not. [>>Source](#)

Apple Watch Arrives In Stores Around The World

The long awaited Apple watch has now debuted around stores across the world, ranging from £299 for the sports edition and up to £13,000 for the gold Apple watch edition. Many were eager about the release of the watch and have met their eager with great reviews on the new Apple release. What was expected to be a downfall in Apple's products has been one which could see us into the future, being the company's first product since the iPad in 2010. The watches are available to view in store in the UK and eight other markets around the world, including the US and China.

Apple chief executive Tim Cook has previously said: "The Apple Watch is the most personal device we have ever created. It is not just with you, it is on you. And since what you wear is an expression of who you are, we designed Apple Watch to appeal to a whole variety of people with different tastes and different preferences." [>>Source](#)

Hydra - April 14, 2015, 12:05 pm

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

Send iHydra a message by clicking [here](#) and including an imgur link of your battlestation! [hellomisterjedi's Battlestation](#) [\(Click to View\)](#)

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Sniper - April 14, 2015, 12:37 pm

First post! Thanks for including some of my work in the art gallery! Another great edition, keep it up.

Orianthi - April 14, 2015, 1:10 pm

Second post, and great job Hydra. ?

Meow - April 14, 2015, 1:13 pm

Yet another HF news and I didn't get shoutout in them,fuck you remmm (or whatever you are called). ?

STR™ - April 14, 2015, 1:16 pm

Nice to see the HF News gets continued by iHydra , keep going team

Dean Winchester? - April 14, 2015, 1:18 pm

(Apr 14, 2015 11:40 AM)iHydra Wrote: [\[CITE\] Dean Winchester?](#)

"I honestly like the concept of the sales tag, however the way they currently work;
No thanks. When every user can purchase a tag saying "Best offer" despite their price being 10% above most of the competition, it kind of ruins the point."

Ayy thanks for the shoutout ?

But yeah another great edition from the news team :)

I'll consider applying when I'm done with most of my school work for the semester!

Black Shadow - April 14, 2015, 8:28 pm

I cant believe it that Baghead has now gone forever, all my friends are disappearing ?

Trust - April 14, 2015, 8:30 pm

Glad to see that the weekly opinions are back!

Juicy - April 14, 2015, 8:33 pm

Was fun to finally get a chance to be interviewed!

Radar7 - April 14, 2015, 8:34 pm

Who were the two leaders banned from Debug?

Hydra - April 14, 2015, 9:41 pm

(Apr 14, 2015 08:34 PM)Radar7 Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Who were the two leaders banned from Debug?
Just Snorlax was banned, the rest were leadership changes.

MeIT3d - April 15, 2015, 12:50 pm

Nice week of news again!

Also that gaming set up is pretty sick.

Champ?on - April 15, 2015, 12:59 pm

nickchan was banned for reporting an admins post. <----- LMAO.

That's still funny to this day bruh. I swear.

good news lol

ZuGgY - April 15, 2015, 1:01 pm

nokia2mon2 received a second Grand Amethyst award and the Benefactor award.

Holy fuck. Good for Nokia!

?Average - April 17, 2015, 6:17 am

Just read through the news, good as always cant wait for next one.

?lien - April 18, 2015, 2:18 pm

(Apr 15, 2015 01:01 PM)ZuGgY Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) nokia2mon2 received a second Grand Amethyst award and the Benefactor award.

Holy fuck. Good for Nokia!

Thought that was a typo or something when I first read it.

VRUMM - April 18, 2015, 8:19 pm

i guess the news this week has been boring

Orchid - April 19, 2015, 11:24 am

(Apr 18, 2015 08:19 PM)Sh1eld Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) i guess the news this week has been boring
LOL, 3 pages of posts on the news is a new standing record.

+One - April 19, 2015, 11:25 am

This weeks news has been quiet interesting, but nothing unusual. Cheers // Nice read.

Meow - April 19, 2015, 11:29 am

Nothing special in this news, only 3 pages tho ?

OnTheFly - April 19, 2015, 7:46 pm

Quote: Short delay, my apologies. Pretty calm week, just very busy. No update really besides our recruitment. Got ideas, suggest them! And send me battlestations!

The fact that the leader of the writers would publish this sentence alone makes me cringe a bit.

Brush up on your grammar please.

Roger Waters - April 19, 2015, 8:17 pm

(Apr 18, 2015 08:19 PM) Sh1eld Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) i guess the news this week has been boring
To be fair, HF seemed pretty dead this week.

AltKev - April 19, 2015, 8:19 pm

(Apr 19, 2015 11:24 AM) Orchid Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) LOL, 3 pages of posts on the news is a new standing record.

are you upset about the # of posts since your so outstanding voice feedback thread was mentioned?

Hydra - April 19, 2015, 8:35 pm

(Apr 19, 2015 07:46 PM) Null_Host Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) The fact that the leader of the writers would publish this sentence alone makes me cringe a bit.

Brush up on your grammar please.

Thanks for catching the typo, rephrased it completely. Was in a hurry to post it so rushed that piece.

Just because I'm the leader of Writers doesn't mean I am perfect and don't make mistakes.

Sir - April 19, 2015, 8:41 pm

(Apr 19, 2015 08:35 PM) iHydra Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Just because I'm the leader of Writers doesn't mean I am perfect and don't make mistakes.

Why do you have to lie bro? We all know you're perfect, you're just too perfect to admit it. <3

wellager - April 20, 2015, 6:24 am

(Apr 15, 2015 01:01 PM) ZuGgY Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) nokia2mon2 received a second Grand Amethyst award and the Benefactor award.

Holy fuck. Good for Nokia!

Yeah I think that Nokia, as a company, can afford those awards. It's still good advertisement for their cellphones, they needed that boost

Fr?sh - April 20, 2015, 6:26 am

Nickchan got closed

Change your original post

Krew - April 20, 2015, 7:36 am

Nice news edition as always. I still miss Sir though :/

Hydra - April 20, 2015, 9:18 am

(Apr 20, 2015 06:26 AM) ?Sweatshirt? Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Nickchan got closed

Change your original post

We do not update the edition after it has been published. Only a few exceptions to that but usually we do not. User news do not get updated though as they always change in status each week.

Declan? - April 20, 2015, 3:11 pm

Quote:[nickchan](#) was banned for reporting an admins post.

Who the fuck reports an admins post? That's like going up to your boss and telling him he's doing a shitty job.

clark.dll - April 20, 2015, 3:12 pm

(Apr 20, 2015 03:11 PM)Declan? Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Who the fuck reports an admins post? That's like going up to your boss and telling him he's doing a shitty job.

Actually, that's not always a bad thing. However the Admins here aren't doing a shitty job so yeah, that's pretty stupid.

IpSiety - April 20, 2015, 3:58 pm

(Apr 20, 2015 03:11 PM)Declan? Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Who the fuck reports an admins post? That's like going up to your boss and telling him he's doing a shitty job.

To be fair it could have been by accident, and he could have tried to report someone above or below an admin's post. If not, then he's an idiot.

Black Shadow - April 20, 2015, 4:48 pm

Just realized that now the whole of the old news team have been banned wow the older members are dropping like flies ???

clark.dll - April 20, 2015, 4:53 pm

(Apr 20, 2015 04:48 PM)Black Shadow Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Just realized that now the whole of the old news team have been banned wow the older members are dropping like flies ???

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Trisomy 21 - April 20, 2015, 4:55 pm

(Apr 20, 2015 04:53 PM)Clark Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Only a few Writ3rs were banned.. most of the other ones just stopped writing because it's lame as fuck.

Can I share some poetry that I have written?

Astute - April 20, 2015, 7:44 pm

(Apr 20, 2015 03:58 PM)(° ° ? ° °) Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) To be fair it could have been by accident, and he could have tried to report someone above or below an admin's post. If not, then he's an idiot.

He intentionally reported the post.

Hydra - April 20, 2015, 8:53 pm

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