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Hydra - August 14, 2018, 7:30 pm

The Return of PM Username Colors

On August 9th, [Omniscient](#) announced that username colors were added to PM's again. If you check your inbox, the users who messaged you now have the color of the userbar they are wearing.
>>[Source](#)

Staff Changes

In the past few days, a few changes were made to the [HF Staff Team](#).
[Minimalist](#) was relieved of his duties as staff. After a year and a half of service as a staff member, we as writers would like to thank him for his work and dedication to the website.
On August 10th, two new staff members were added to the team. We would like to congratulate [Steve](#) and [Vitani](#) on their recent promotion, and wish them the best of luck keeping Hack Forums clean!>>[Source](#)

Site Statistics

Total ([Click to View](#))

Posts: 37,149,514 (+0.07%|+27,789)

Threads: 3,650,411 (+0.07%|+2,698)

Members: 698,017 (+1%|+6,899)

Average ([Click to View](#))

Daily Posts: 8,307.43 (-0.09%|-7.37)

Daily Threads: 816.31 (-0.09%|-0.73)

Daily New Members: 156.09 (+0.83%|+1.29)

Posts Per Member: 53.22 (-0.91%|-0.49)

Replies Per Thread: 5.23 (-0.95%|-0.05)

Forum Counts

Tab Counts ([Click to View](#))

Notable Sections

[Lounge](#) Threads: 229,690 (+0.11%|+258)

[Lounge](#) Posts: 3,689,304 (+0.13%|+4,621)

[RANE](#) Threads: 72,004 (+0.06%|+44)

[RANE](#) Posts: 1,138,692 (+0.05%|+547)

Common

Threads: 553,869 (+0.08%|+454)

Posts: 8,628,165 (+0.09%|+7,955)

Hack

Threads: 725,489 (+0.05%|+381)

Posts: 6,329,848 (+0.09%|+5,932)

Tech

Threads: 218,298 (+0.04%|+78)

Posts: 1,819,748 (+0.02%|+444)

Code

Threads: 175,154 (+0.04%|+65)

Posts: 1,488,116 (+0.03%|+410)

Game

Threads: 467,671 (+0.02%|+105)

Posts: 4,815,729 (+0.01%|+685)

Groups

Threads: 8,331 (+0.04%|+3)

Posts: 357,023 (+0.02%|+74)

Web

Threads: 88,745 (+0.05%|+46)

Posts: 636,867 (+0.04%|+236)

GFX

Threads: 139,136 (+0.03%|+36)

Posts: 1,035,597 (+0.02%|+240)

Market

Threads: 1,114,905 (+0.09%|+994)

Posts: 9,914,170 (+0.08%|+8,360)

Money

Threads: 139,084 (-4.09%|-5,927)

Posts: 1,730,992 (+0.08%|+1,335)

Groups For Sale [Divined](#) is selling [a group](#).

Leadership Changes

No changes.

Group Recruitments [Appraisers - Rolling Recruitment](#)

[Famous - Social Media](#)

[Legends - Hacking Recruitment](#)

[Executives - Sub-forum Recruitment](#)

[SheepGang - Gaming Recruitment](#)

[Socialites - General Recruitment](#)

[Sui Generis - Literature Recruitment](#)

[Sui Generis - Media Recruitment](#)

[Sui Generis - Music Recruitment](#)

Group Threads [Appraisers Information](#)

[Influence Information](#)

[Legends Information](#)

[Samaritans Information](#)

[Sui Generis Information](#)

[Unity Roadmap](#)

*As of the Friday prior to release.

User News[minimalist](#) is no longer a Staff member. Thank you for your time spent here and countless hours devoted to the betterment of Hack Forums.

[SlyCyote](#) has reached a whopping 2,000 Reputation!

[Steve](#) and [Vitani](#) have both been promoted to Staff. Congratulations, boys! Do us proud.

Bans*[Fish](#) has been banned indefinitely for abusing the private message feature, asking for Reputation.

ClosuresNo notable closures this week!

Awards[Meow](#) has been granted the [Businessman](#) award!

[DenizZ](#) has been granted the [Lounge Head](#) award!

*As of the Sunday prior to release.

Announcements

[Refer Members for 100 Bytes](#) - [Omniscient](#)

Omniscient announces a referral system earning 100 bytes per member referred!

[Official Contracts and Marketplace Suite Major Update](#) - [Xerotic](#)

Xerotic releases some crucial updates to the marketplace plugin!

Entertaining Threads

[HF live stream](#) - [Mr. Robot](#)

In case you missed the first one, Mr. Robot does another live stream answering HF related questions. Check it out.

[What are you wearing?](#) - [opsplayer](#)

Well...what are you wearing HF? ;)

Hydra - August 14, 2018, 8:09 pm

We publish the HF News every week yet we have aged members who don't even know we exist! Wear any of the signatures listed below to support us and spread the word about HF News, HF Wiki, and Writers altogether.

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

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Google Glass may Have Found its Niche

Google Glass was revealed in 2012 to a sea of excited tech bloggers, but when they eventually got their hands on the units, they soon discovered it was far more underwhelming than expected. Now, six years later, scientists at Stanford have been using the long-abandoned technology to help autistic children to read facial expressions. The Google Glass works in tandem with an app to aid the children in deciphering the faces around them. One participant wasn't able to look people in the eye without the aid of the team but can now do so seemingly effortlessly. They have taken to calling this new form of therapy Superpower Glass. >>Source

A Game That can Influence the Emotional Response of Children

We all hear the narrative that video games cause violent children every time a tragedy occurs. However, what if there was actual proof of the opposite? Researchers from the University of Wisconsin–Madison have developed a game that has been shown to raise activity in the empathy centers of the game in as little as two weeks of play. You can see a short demo of the game in the linked source article. Tammi Kral, a lead on the project, had this to say about their discovery“The realization that these skills are actually trainable with video games is important because they are predictors of emotional well-being and health throughout life, and can be practiced anytime — with or without video games,” I hope to see more papers on topics similar to this emerging in the coming months. >>Source

Record 63,880 people murdered in Brazil in 2017

In a recent study released on 9 August 2018 by Fórum Brasileiro de Segurança Pública, the number of murders in Brazil rose by 3 percent that set a new all-time high of 63,880 deaths. According to the Brazilian Public Security Forum, their data stated that 175 people were murdered each day for the entire year and maintained an “overall murder rate of 30.8 per 100,000 people, up

from 29.9 in 2016.” When interacting with police, 14 people were killed, which is a 20 percent increase from the year prior. Rapes additionally increased. In 2017, the rape percentage rose by 8 percent to 60,018 and murders of females increased an additional 6.1 percent to place the number at 4,539. Renato Sérgio de Lima, director of the Brazilian Public Security Forum, said that ‘it is a devastating scenario,’ furthermore going into specifics regarding ages, ethnicities, and contributions. Regarding the aforementioned information, Lima stated that “most of the victims were young, black men and outdated laws and police procedures along with the rise of organized crime contributed to the increased murder rate.” In relation to this, nearly 120,000 firearms were seized, where approximately 95 percent of them were not registered. A spokesperson from Santa Catarina state police force provided a statement, in which he declared that police will continue to focus on the situation in hand and insinuated that alternations within the police force must be made. “The forum’s data showed there were 689,947 people in Brazil’s penitentiary system and 39,516 in police custody.” [>>Source](#)

U.S. refuses to back Canada in Saudi Arabia dispute

On 7 August 2018, “U.S. State Department spokeswoman, speaking at a media briefing in Washington, would not publicly condemn Riyadh’s arrest of civil-rights activists in the Mideast kingdom, as the Canadian government did last week.” Heath Nauert, current acting Under Secretary of State for Public Diplomacy and Public Affairs, stated that the United States government will not aid Canada’s defense against Saudi Arabia. She further stated that it will solely be up to Canada and Saudi Arabia to iron out the differences that the whole world has recently foreseen. In a report by Reuters, Saudi Arabia has halted all medical treatment program in Canada and is currently pursuing a transfer of Saudi patients from there to Saudi Arabia. In an act of seriousness, the oil-rich country “expelled the Canadian ambassador, froze new trade and investment dealings with Canada in retaliation for what it called “blatant interference” in its domestic affairs.” In an effort to cut off all ties, they are additionally suspending Saudi Arabian Airline flights to and from their now-opponents and removing approximately 16,000 Saudi students from universities who are studying abroad in Canada, in an act described by Saudi Arabia’s Education Minister to ‘cut its dealing with the Canadian government.’ This feud was sparked by a tweet sent out by “Foreign Affairs Minister Chrystia Freeland and her department that called for the immediate release of civil-rights activists, including women’s-rights advocate Samar Badawi. They also signaled concern over Riyadh’s new crackdown on dissidents.” [>>Source](#)

FAIRYTAIL DiceMagic

Fan of RPG style games? Love the weeb life? Fairy Tail has landed a brand new RPG style action game for mobile devices last week. The game will be produced by Fuji Games, a company that has made very reputable games that are currently in the PlayStore and App Store respectively, such as ORDINAL STRATA & Iron man of Cooking. Following the recent news, it’s understood that the game will introduce new characters that aren’t part of the Manga or Anime, the game will go down a filler route. The concept of the app will follow the traditional Japanese style dice game named Sugoroku, which is comparable to that of the western board game, backgammon. Combining Fairy Tail with this traditional Japanese dice game will be Fuji Games’ experiment, so you’ll be learning something not many people play anymore. [>>Source](#) [>>Source](#)

HDIVE’s new Chromecasting option

If you’re not familiar with HDIVE, you should catch up to speed. Rivaling the big contenders like Crunchyroll, HDIVE is a full blown-legal Anime streaming platform. They are subscription based and fairly popular in Europe. One of the more known aspects of HDIVE is that they have exclusive Anime available to legally stream unlike other services, as well as iOS and Android apps. Last week they announced that Chromecast compatibility is now available with the Android app. This service

has been gaining increased popularity, and it looks like they have more updates to come in the near future too. Subscriptions start as little as \$3.99, so it's fairly cheap even to casual or occasional Anime consumers. [>>Source](#)

One-Punch Man Season 2 announced!

A title everyone has heard, even those who lack interest in the weeb world know One-Punch Man. A show everyone has seen is finally announced after 4 painful years; it will finally be making a return with a second season in April 2019. You can find a video below, a new character dubbed Garo has approached the scene. Not much information has been given, more information may be released in the future. [>>Source](#) [>>Source](#)

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Lukas - August 14, 2018, 8:13 pm

haha 403 is my favorite number

Vitani - August 15, 2018, 4:01 am

Great edition as always, good work team!

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Interesting read. Well written too! (:

Originalkillit - August 15, 2018, 1:06 pm

Another great edition buddy

Congratulations to Steve and Vitani and your comics are funny

Good wishes for minimalist and nothing is end its beginning of the new buddy

But who are the next two mentors

(Aug 14, 2018 08:13 PM)Lukas Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) haha 403 is my favorite number

404 is my favorite number "Page Not found" ? waiting for the next edition

Nico - August 15, 2018, 1:19 pm

Good read, thanks for posting quality news. Also congratulations to Vitani and Steve!

greykoala - August 16, 2018, 3:30 am

A well constructed edition.

Raz Riverblade - August 16, 2018, 10:17 am

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Hydra - August 16, 2018, 1:07 pm

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Based on what was officially said, it doesn't seem like he voluntarily stepped down hence "relieved of duty".

Vamure - August 21, 2018, 7:17 am

I expect a full article covering the rapid spreading "Bytes addiction" because of the slots machine. Please and thank you iHydra. This is a real life issue.

Spoiler [\(Click to View\)](#) Love this weeks addition; like always! Much love Hydra <3 thank you for doing this as well!

ZuGgY - August 23, 2018, 11:36 am

Just read through this. It's great, because as I don't have a lot of time for HF currently, this is so informal, as always.

Thank you HFNT, as always!