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Hydra - February 3, 2020, 9:10 am

Smilies Converted to Emojis

HF will now have Emoji characters instead of smiley system. [>>Source](#)

Site Statistics

Total

Posts: 38,731,499 (+0.05% - +19,020)

Threads: 3,776,149 (+0.04% - +1,575)

Members: 373,124 (+1.79% - +6,557)

Average

Daily Posts: 8,113.26 (-0.08% - -6.57)

Daily Threads: 791.01 (-0.09% - -0.7)

Daily New Members: 78.16 (+1.65% - +1.27)

Posts Per Member: 78.16 (-25.99% - -27.45)

Replies Per Thread: 9.26 (~)

Forum Counts

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Notable Sections [Lounge](#) Threads: 242,163 (+0.06% - +135)

[Lounge](#) Posts: 3,987,371 (+0.11% - +4,540)

[RANF](#) Threads: 74,554 (+0.04% - +33)

[RANF](#) Posts: 1,192,724 (+0.04% - +486)

Common Threads: 576,295 (+0.04% - +255)

Posts: 9,108,822 (+0.09% - +8,515)

Hack Threads: 749,543 (+0.04% - +304)

Posts: 6,566,146 (+0.02% - +1,350)

Tech Threads: 222,217 (+0.01% - +26)

Posts: 1,845,562 (+0.01% - +177)

Code Threads: 178,194 (+0.02% - +32)

Posts: 1,509,138 (+0.01% - +176)

Game Threads: 472,210 (+0.01% - +44)

Posts: 4,852,831 (~)

Groups Threads: 8,716 (+0.15% - +13)

Posts: 367,869 (+0.04% - +155)

Web Threads: 91,033 (+0.02% - +20)

Posts: 650,575 (+0.02% - +130)

GFX Threads: 140,710 (~)
Posts: 1,047,148 (+0.01% - +64)
Market Threads: 1,175,325 (+0.05% - +554)
Posts: 10,541,444 (+0.07% - +7,392)
Money Threads: 146,460 (+0.06% - +82)
Posts: 1,857,032 (+0.03% - +493)

Announcements [Smilies Converted to Emojis](#) - [Omniscient](#)

If you haven't noticed already the old emotes have been replaced with modern emojis.

Informational Threads [Brexit: UK Officially leaves the European Union](#) - [flavoral](#)

The UK has finally left the EU after 47 years of membership.

[coronavirus can spread between humans](#) - [vladim](#)

China confirms the new corona virus can spread and has already started to appear in other countries.

Entertaining Threads [What's your favourite website to visit?](#) - [SIM-2315787](#)

We all have a website we enjoy and love, so what is your favourite?

[Do you believe in karma? Have you seen her?](#) - [Zinx™](#)

Karma, some of us believe its a thing and some of us think its just make-believe.

[Play YORG.io](#) - [Xerotic](#)

Xerotic has shared a game he recently found online that is really interesting to play. Make sure you have a go and see if you enjoy it.

Contests & Giveaways

[\\$25 BTC Giveaway #1 Multiple Entries Allowed \[ENDS FEB 7th \]](#) - [Instagram](#)

The member who has popped up from nowhere known as Instagram is hosting a giveaway of \$25 Bitcoin.

[\[Giveaway\] 1k Bytes \[Multi-posts\]](#) - [Crimin4L](#)

Crimin4L is hosting a little bytes giveaway, and everyone can enter, make sure you get your chance in the giveaway.

Hydra - February 3, 2020, 8:02 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.

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UK leaves the European Union

The UK has been a member of the European Union for 47 years, but that comes to an end because Brexit day has finally come.

- Rivals believe that Brexit is a reckless withdrawal that will debilitate the West, "dry" what remains of Britain's global influence, undermine its economy, and at last lead to a less cosmopolitan set of islands in the northern Atlantic. We can say that Britain is going to have little choice now but to cozy up to the U.S. Chairman Donald Trump. [.>>Source](#)

Panic spreads over protection against coronavirus

Coronavirus may be transmitted from individual to individual, despite the fact that it isn't clear how easily.

Many of the reports included individuals who were at the focal point of the flare-up, family members of those infected, or medical workers in the Chinese city of Wuhan. Transmission is likely to occur by interaction with an infected person by coughing or sneezing particles in the air, or by someone exposing himself to an infected individual or item contaminated with the virus and then rubbing their eyes, mouth or nose. Situations which are best advised to wear a mask for are when you're in a crowd, or when you're caring for the sick. However, those who should wear a mask are mainly infected individuals. [.>>Source](#)

Aggression of Brexit supporters towards the EU

Supporters of Brexit set on flames a European Union flag near "Downing Street," while other supporters mocked the European Union representatives in the final hours of Brexit. A big group of European Union supporters were also ridiculed by an even larger group of Brexiteers nearby who were saying their last goodbyes to the European Union. The most important factor is that the EU is about to lose a big percentage of its economy, about 15%. In addition to also losing the world's financial capital - London. England must start graphing a path for a long time into the future.

[>>Source](#)

Help from Jellyfish

Jellyfish are getting an upgrade at the California Institute of Technology, thanks to researches. They have developed a prosthetic that can be applied to a jellyfish, which will help them swim faster around them than most jellyfish. "The new prosthetic uses electrical impulses to regulate – and speed up – that pulsing, similar to the way a cardiac pacemaker regulates heart rate." The main reason behind this work is that the jellyfish will bring sensors to the ocean depths that we have not yet reached. This will assist scientists in measuring ocean temperatures, levels of oxygen, and many other technical details. It should be noted that this prosthetic does not in any way damage the jellyfish, even when the device is removed from them. [>>Source](#)

Coronavirus striking again

Tesla's Gigafactory, which began production of the Model 3 in Shanghai in 2018 and recently began delivering the first cars, is to remain shut down until February 9 due to the recent coronavirus outbreak. This brief shutdown is not expected to have a major impact on Model 3 production, but for the first quarter of 2020, it will have a small impact on profit. This Gigafactory has played an important role in China as Tesla is increasingly trying to grow their market even more, with China being the "largest electric vehicle market." The coronavirus affects not only people but also some big companies that rely on being available. [>>Source](#)

Facebook - \$550 million class action lawsuit

Some Illinois users will be receiving a payout from Facebook for a breach of privacy. A class-action lawsuit was brought to court with Facebook's use of facial recognition technology. Illinois is only one of two states to allow facial recognition to be used for commercial purposes. It involves gathering biometric data from users, which would be used to develop and deploy new features in the future. This has been "the largest cash settlement ever to resolve a privacy related lawsuit." This is a major step for users, as biometric data processing has increased rapidly. [>>Source](#)

How your Gaming Footprint Effects us all

Are the gamer's hurting us and killing the environment? No one runs through the sequence of events that have to happen in order for you to boot up and play the desired game you've been looking forward to all day. Multiple studies have been done over the last 10-12 years, and the amount of data we consume and upload are quite frankly off the charts. According to Mills' study, he found that PC-based cloud gaming requires about 500W of power during gameplay. "This is far more than most local desktop or laptop gaming rigs," he notes. Mills also states that from 2020 on, data centers are expected to consume three times as much energy. [>>Source](#)

Twitch Losing Traction Fast

In recent events over the last couple of months, we've seen more than a few big Twitch streamers leave the company and sign big contracts elsewhere. It seems since YouTube's launch of YouTube

Gaming, the company has been perusing many big names in the streaming game to jump ship and stream on their platform possibly. "I want users to feel like when they come into YouTube that we've got all the gaming video content that they're looking for," said Ryan Wyatt, global head of gaming at YouTube." Microsoft made out like bandits signing Ninja to an exclusive deal to only broadcast on their platform (Mixer). [>>Source](#)

Developers Look Ahead to PS5

No surprise that the console wars have been going on since the dawn of time. Usually, people will pick a company they believe in and want to give their hard-earned money to without hesitation. Most of the console wars happen outside of the studios and developer offices, but it sounds like we have an in house war going on now. With Xbox and Playstation set to release new consoles this coming Holiday, GDC did a poll, and the results were baffling. "Just 9% of developers are currently making games for the Xbox Series X (listed in the survey as the Xbox Scarlett) compared to 11% of respondents making games for PlayStation. To put that in context, 39% of developers asked were making mobile games, while 56% were making PC titles. It's helpful to underline that developers could be making cross-platform titles or working on multiple projects, so the numbers are indicative at best." [>>Source](#)

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Krueger - February 5, 2020, 6:21 pm

Well done Writ3r ! I will miss :blackhat: ?

Geralt - February 5, 2020, 6:22 pm

Great news as always!

That battlestation looks sick

vyactor - February 5, 2020, 7:06 pm

Great news supplied as always.

Although, you should have added Mr. Kewl HQ contest on the list.

Natas - February 5, 2020, 9:19 pm

I wonder how much microsoft paid ninja for mixer

Instagram - February 5, 2020, 10:43 pm

[Hydra](#) I fell asleep in 2013 and woke back up in 2018 :) it was a great nap.

MavenGradle - February 7, 2020, 12:12 pm

Another interesting round of forum statistics (mostly what I'm here for). Curious to find out of all those new members will be contributing!

Mr. Robot - February 9, 2020, 2:38 am

Worst one yet mate, maybe pick up on those comics.

Xen - February 9, 2020, 2:44 am

Thanks for the HF news! Was a decent read.

duplex - February 9, 2020, 2:46 am

"coronavirus can spread between humans " Is this some kind of joke?

Exe - February 9, 2020, 2:51 am

Amazing news man thank you <3

LoremIpsum - February 9, 2020, 5:50 am

Thank you for the amazing HF News Edition 455! I love reading the comics too, but where are horoscope things?

Prizford - February 9, 2020, 5:56 am

Amazing news man thank you <3

Bastille - February 9, 2020, 6:21 am

Already miss the old smileys :'(

Thanks for the news :)

kezo242 - February 9, 2020, 8:03 am

Thanks for the news :)

>Good man Bro!!!?

iNviZ - February 13, 2020, 11:29 am

Always great to see the news. Appreciate the hard work and thanks.

Lrrr - February 13, 2020, 11:38 am

(Feb 13, 2020 12:29 PM)jNviZ Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Always great to see the news. Appreciate the hard work and thanks.

But this is last weeks edition.....still waiting for this week it may never come :o

Hydra - February 13, 2020, 11:42 am

(Feb 13, 2020 12:38 PM)Lrrr Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) But this is last weeks edition.....still waiting for this week it may never come :o

Expect it today, it's been a crazy exam week for me. Been barely online.

Lrrr - February 13, 2020, 11:52 am

(Feb 13, 2020 12:42 PM)Hydra Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Expect it today, it's been a crazy exam week for me. Been barely online.

You are THE MAN ?

Sick - February 13, 2020, 11:55 am

Good job mate very nice read

Keep up the great work it's a pleasure reading it

"Life has no limitations, except the ones you make."

Hydra - February 13, 2020, 11:04 pm

(Feb 13, 2020 12:52 PM)Lrrr Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) You are THE MAN ?
Edition 456 is now live. :)

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