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Mix - August 4, 2025, 11:26 am

Hack Forum News - Edition Eight

The Hack Forum News Team welcomes everyone back this week with another update on the weekly news to keep you up to date on the latest news on site and around the world. If you have never heard of Hack Forum News, dont worry we have you covered. We are a team of members from the Hack Forums community who are journalists and writers, and we are here to keep you in the loop of the changes around the site and now even around the world.

Writer - [Natha](#)

[Hiding Awards Attack](#) By [Omniscient](#)

[Omniscient](#) is proposing an idea for the new <https://hackforums.net/showthread.php?tid=6301564> where a random member's award could be hidden, and the affected member would need to pay 100 bytes to unhide it. This would not only introduce an interesting gameplay mechanic but also create another practical use for bytes throughout the forum.

[TeleGram Channel and Group](#) By [Omniscient](#)

[Omniscient](#) informed members that he has now deleted the Telegram channel and group due to minimal activity. He also announced that he has regained access to his X account, which will now be used for website status updates.

[Font Awesome CSS MyCode](#) By [Omniscient](#)

[Omniscient](#) has developed a new plugin that allows members to easily use Font Awesome icons in their posts through MyCode. Originally built to support features in the upcoming DDoS Arena game, this enhancement is now available forum-wide, offering a stylish and functional way to enrich posts with visual flair. Members can start using the new FA MyCode to insert icons directly into their content.

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Quick reminder, the donation awards page has had a bit of a change. Some of the classic awards

are back up for purchase. If you would like to check out what is new, head over to the donation award page to snipe up some of the awards today. Or [Click Here!](#)

[HerrWinston](#) Has obtained the "Lounge Head" award -
[Mech](#) Has obtained the "Lounge Head" award -
[Clue](#) Has obtained the "Businessman" award -
[Capps](#) Has obtained the "King Decade" award -
[newkid1](#) Has obtained the "King Decade" award -
[P??sonl?af](#) Has obtained the "Green Apple" award -
[Vectura](#) Has obtained the "Dicey" award -
[Yakless](#) Has obtained the "Flip Reaper" award -

Writer - [Chrome](#)

GROUPS FOR SALE AND SOLD

[Succubus group](#) is still listed for sale by [SecretAchiever101](#)
[Olympians group & Benevolence](#) are listed for sale by [Neil](#)

[Mystery Inc](#) listed for sale by [Scooby](#)

No recent group sales.

RECENT GROUP CHANGES & EVENTS

New & Exclusive Upgrade to H4CK3R\$ & The Academy!

Anyone wearing the userbar for either of these two groups will get a multiplier on bytes earned for posting and creating threads. H4CK3R\$ will receive 10x bytes & The Academy will receive 5x bytes.

<https://hackforums.net/showthread.php?tid=6303358>

RECRUITMENTS:

[Casino Recruitment](#)
[Pink LSZ Recruitment](#)
[Warriors Recruitment](#)
[Gamblers Recruitment](#)
[Legends Recruitment](#)
[Allegiance Buy-in](#)
[Olympians leader recruitment](#)
[The Academy Recruitment](#)

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Remember if you have reached an achievement on your account feel free to post about it on our

weekly reports thread. That way we can add you to the news for the next edition. [Click Here To See The Weekly Reports Thread](#)

Black Kodak Has gone on vacation until the (20.10.2025).
account_ Has gone on vacation until the (13.08.2025).

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Security & Geopolitics

Nuclear Tensions Rising. Following Trump's announcement of repositioning U.S. nuclear submarines in reaction to comments from Dmitry Medvedev, the Kremlin urged restraint, stating they did not interpret this as an escalation but cautioned against incendiary rhetoric.

[Source](#)

U.S. Foreign Policy & Trade Tensions

Trump administration imposed a 39% tariff on Swiss exports, shocking markets and triggering a Swiss government crisis. President Keller-Sutter is under fire for what critics describe as a “badly misjudged” phone call with Trump.

[Source](#)

India Russia Oil Deal Under Scrutiny

Stephen Miller, deputy chief of staff to Trump, sharply criticized India for continuing to purchase Russian oil, accusing it of effectively financing the Russian war in Ukraine. The U.S. has already implemented tariffs on Indian goods linked to these purchases.

[Source](#)

Papal Youth Gathering in Rome

Pope Leo XIV led over a million young worshippers from 150+ countries, delivering a message of unity and global responsibility. He expressed solidarity with communities in Gaza and Ukraine during the Vatican's “Jubilee of Youth.”

[Source](#)

Writer - [jcole](#)

Notable console & hardware releases:

MSI GeForce RTX 5080 EXPERT GPU:

For you PC builders, MSI's powerful new graphics card is ready to launch. It has a special

"push-pull" fan system to keep it cool.

Victrix Pro BFG Reloaded Controller:

A new pro controller from Turtle Beach's high-end brand. It's super modular, so you can swap parts around to get the perfect layout for you. It's out now in the UK/EU and up for pre-order in the US.

Razer BlackShark V3 Pro Headsets:

Razer dropped a new line of its popular BlackShark headsets on July 29th, with special versions for PC, PlayStation, and Xbox.

Elgato Facecam 4K:

For all the streamers out there, Elgato released a new high-end 4K webcam to make your stream look extra sharp.

Notable News (August 2025)

Steam Users have until August 4 (TODAY!) to claim 3 games for free:

These games are offered for free as of right now. Hopefully those of you who see this have time to jump in on these freebies.

https://store.steampowered.com/app/1990740/Barro_GT/

https://store.steampowered.com/app/2955840/Kitchen_Wars/

<https://store.steampowered.com/app/2457890/DRACOMATON/>

Nintendo issues a strict warning for Switch 2 Owners:

Nintendo issued a warning to all Switch 2 users to take caution when playing the new console outside during the hot summer months. The hand held console can malfunction when played in temperatures above 35°C (95°F)

Steam Beta offers users more customizable options:

Steam Beta is an optional version of the Steam client that lets users try out new and experimental features before they're officially released. Recently, Valve has been focusing on offering more customizable options in the Beta that include:

Interface customization: Users can tweak the layout, themes, and UI elements of their library and game pages.

Improved notifications: You can now fine-tune what alerts you receive and how they're shown.

Overlay and in-game tools: The in-game overlay is more flexible, letting you rearrange windows (like chats, guides, or browser) and choose what stays visible.

Download and storage controls: More detailed settings for managing downloads, bandwidth, and storage locations.

Joining Steam Beta is free and optional. Users can opt in via Steam > Settings > Interface > Client Beta Participation.

Game Releases - (August 2025)

Spoiler ([Click to View](#)) Wander Stars (PC, Switch) (August 1)

Demon Slayer: Kimetsu no Yaiba – The Hinokami Chronicles 2 (Multi-platform) (August 1)

Hello Kitty Island Adventure (PS5) (August 1)
Turbo Kid (Switch) (August 1)
Gradius Origins (PC, Switch) (August 7)
The House of the Dead 2: Remake (PC, Switch) (August 7)
Operation Night Strikers (PC) (August 7)
Ritual of Raven (TBD) (August 7)
Tiny Bookshop (PC, Switch) (August 7)
Mafia: The Old Country (PS5, Xbox Series X|S, PC) (August 8)
Echoes of the End (PC, PS5, Xbox Series X|S) (August 12)
Ra Ra BOOM (PC, Consoles) (August 12)
Senua's Saga: Hellblade II (PC, Xbox Series X|S) (August 12)
Dorfromantik (PC, Switch) (August 14)
Drag x Drive (TBD) (August 14)
Madden NFL 26 (Multi-platform) (August 14)
Midnight Murder Club (TBD) (August 14)
Warhammer 40K: Dawn of War Definitive Edition (PC) (August 14)
Bendy: Lone Wolf (TBD) (August 15)
OFF (PC) (August 15)
Delta Force (PC, Consoles) (August 19)
Sword of the Sea (PC, PS5) (August 19)
Black Myth: Wukong (PC, PS5, Xbox Series X|S) (August 20)
Discounty (PC, Consoles) (August 21)
Grit & Valor: 1949 (TBD) (August 21)
The Legend of Heroes trilogy (PS5, Switch, PC) (August 21)
Ariana: The Books... (TBD) (August 21)
Gears of War: Reloaded (Xbox Series X|S, PS5, PC) (August 26)
Helldivers 2 (PC, PS5) (August 26)
Neptunia Game Maker R: Evolution (Switch, PS5) (August 26)
Space Adventure Cobra (TBD) (August 26)
Story of Seasons: Grand Bazaar (Switch, Switch 2, PC) (August 27)
Destiny: Rising (TBD) (August 28)
Kirby and the Forgotten Land – Switch 2 Edition (Switch 2) (August 28)
The Knightling (TBD) (August 28)
Lens (TBD) (August 28)
NOROI KAGO (TBD) (August 28)
Super Robot Wars Y (TBD) (August 28)
Varlet (TBD) (August 28)
Metal Gear Solid 3: Snake Eater (PS5, Xbox Series X|S, PC) (August 28)
Lost Soul Aside (PC, PS5) (August 29)
Shinobi: Art of Vengeance (PC, Consoles) (August 29)

? E-Sports

StarCraft II tournament at the Esports World Cup 2025: Joona "Serral" Sotala of Basilisk won the title by defeating Kim "Classic" Doh-Woo 5-2 in a nine game series.

Honor of Kings tournament at the Esports World Cup 2025: AG.AL defeated TT Global 4-3 in the final, with Chen "Zoe" Jiahao playing a crucial role in their comeback.

Call of Duty: Black Ops 6 tournament at the Esports World Cup 2025: OpTic Gaming won the championship by sweeping Vancouver Surge 4-0 in the grand finale.

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Tesla teases in-car gaming in Full Self-Driving mode

Elon Musk announced an upcoming Tesla FSD feature enabling video game play while the vehicle drives itself, pending regional regulatory approval. This capability is expected to arrive in 3–6 months and may coincide with Tesla's robotaxi rollout in Chicago.

[Source](#)

Microsoft 11 August update introduces AI for accessibility & recovery

The August 2025 security patch for Windows 11 (version 24H2) adds AI-powered enhancements: natural language agent in Settings (Copilot+ PCs only), "Click to Do" AI features integrated with Teams, expanded Windows Recall options for export/reset in the EEA, and Quick Machine Recovery for remote diagnostics.

[Source](#)

Samsung profit slump amid chip shortages and China export controls

Samsung reported a 55% drop in operating profit (Q2), largely due to memory chip supply issues and U.S. export restrictions affecting its China business. Despite delays, its XR headset and trifold smartphone launches remain on track this year.

[Source](#)

Qualcomm partnerships & Pixel 10 reveal

Qualcomm posted Q3 revenue of \$10.4 billion, driven by automotive and IoT sectors. Xiaomi will be the initial brand to launch a Snapdragon 8 Elite-based device. Meanwhile, leaked images suggest Google's Pixel 10 series (triple-camera and Qi2 charging) will officially launch on August 20.

[Source](#)

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[\\$25 Crypto Contest | BTC / ETH / SOL | Ends Aug 15](#) By @SIGMA BOSS

If you are looking to get your hands on some free crypto, the user known as Sigma Boss has the thread for you. They have recently started a contest for everyone on site, and you can get your hands on an entry right now. All you will need to do is head over to the thread and follow the three steps to enter, and you could get your hands on that \$25 crypto on the 15th of August. Good luck!

[\\$50 Crypto Contest || Celebrating my upgrade to Ub3r](#) By @Oh_Well

Another contest is also giving away \$50 worth of free crypto too. This member has recently just got themselves Ub3R on site and is celebrating becoming Ub3R by giving away to one lucky winner a \$50 crypto. Once again, they have a few requirements for the contest, but everyone can easily enter this lovely contest and will get themselves an easy \$50 to do whatever they want with it. Make sure you check this one out as it's worth checking it out!

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We would like to say a big thank you for you reading and a big thank you to the HF News Team members

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Confound - August 4, 2025, 7:20 pm
Great edition, nice work HF writing team

Jamika - August 5, 2025, 12:08 am
Good work
Btw , clue got business man not lounge head award

Mix - August 5, 2025, 6:13 am
(Aug 5, 2025 12:08 AM)Jamika Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Good work
Btw , clue got business man not lounge head award
Thought I fixed this in the compile but I am guessing I never updated the code format for this,
Cheers for the heads up.

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Looks good.

Eternal. - August 6, 2025, 11:44 am
Looks at site statistics

Oof this place has really lost a lot of members...

Mix - August 6, 2025, 12:10 pm
(Aug 6, 2025 11:44 AM)Eternal. Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) *Looks at site statistics*

Oof this place has really lost a lot of members...
if you look back a older editions the post counts and member amounts were around 3 times loweer
so there is a lot of improvement.