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https://www.cbc.ca/news/politics/energy-sector-target-cyberattacks-experts-1.6806300

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Oil and gas sector routinely targeted by cyber attackers, experts say

Cybersecurity experts say they aren't surprised by the revelation contained within a package of leaked U.S. intelligence documents suggesting Russian-backed hackers successfully gained access to Canada's natural gas distribution network.

https://calgary.ctvnews.ca/oil-and-gas-sector-routinely-targeted-by-cyber-attackers-experts-say-1.6349457

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Canadian privacy commissioner to probe ChatGPT

ChatGPT is being investigated by Canada’s Privacy Commissioner for possibly using personal information without permission.

https://www.itworldcanada.com/article/canadian-privacy-commissioner-to-probe-chatgpt/535403

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Jobs of the future: Canadore College, North Bay poised to play big role in future of Canadian cybersecurity

The gateway to the North may become a major player on Canada’s cybersecurity front.

https://www.baytoday.ca/local-business/jobs-of-the-future-canadore-college-north-bay-poised-to-play-big-role-in-future-of-canadian-cybersecurity-6727477

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CryptoClippy: New clipper malware targeting Portuguese cryptocurrency users

Portuguese users are being targeted by a new malware codenamed CryptoClippy that's capable of stealing cryptocurrency as part of a malvertising campaign.

https://thehackernews.com/2023/04/cryptoclippy-new-clipper-malware.html

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Tax return filing service efile.com caught serving malware

eFile.com, an online service that helps individuals file tax returns, was injected with malicious code that led to malware being delivered to visitors.

https://www.securityweek.com/tax-return-filing-service-efile-com-caught-serving-malware/

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Spain’s extremely dangerous and evasive hacker now in custody

The police in Spain have taken José Luis Huertas, 19, into custody. He goes by the aliases “Alcaseca,” “Mango,” and “Chimichurri.” The creation of the Udyat (the eye of Horus) search engine, which is dedicated to selling massive quantities of stolen sensitive information, and several high-profile cyberattacks are both attributed to Huertas.

https://informationsecuritybuzz.com/spains-dangerous-evasive-hacker-in-custody/

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Cyberattacks against gamers continue beyond 167% increase

At the current rate of growth, the world will quickly reach 3 billion active gamers worldwide within a year. Unsurprisingly, cyber criminals have identified the gaming industry as a juicy opportunity. According to newly released data, the cyber assault on the gamer-verse has been relentless.

https://securityintelligence.com/news/cyberattacks-against-gamers-increase-167-percent/

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Log4j bug abused in new ‘proxyjacking’ attacks to resell bandwidth, abuse enterprise cloud

The Log4j vulnerability is being targeted in new malicious campaigns dubbed "proxyjacking" where adversaries attempt to install the legitimate network segmentation tool called proxyware on unsuspecting victims in order to resell a target's bandwidth for up to $10 a month.

https://www.scmagazine.com/news/malware/log4j-bug-proxyjacking-attacks-bandwidth-cloud

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HP LaserJet printers flaw let attacker gain unauthorized access

According to a security advisory from HP, some HP Enterprise LaserJet and HP LaserJet Managed printers may be susceptible to information exposure when IPsec is enabled with FutureSmart version 5.6.

https://cybersecuritynews.com/hp-laserjet-printers-flaw/

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Top 10 cybersecurity trends for 2023: From zero trust to cyber insurance

As technology advances, cyberattacks are becoming more sophisticated. With the increasing use of technology in our daily lives, cybercrime is on the rise, as evidenced by the fact that cyberattacks caused 92% of all data breaches in the first quarter of 2022. Staying current with cybersecurity trends and laws is crucial to combat these threats, which can significantly impact business development.

https://thehackernews.com/2023/04/top-10-cybersecurity-trends-for-2023.html

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Cybercriminals turn to Android loaders on dark web to evade Google Play Security

Malicious loader programs capable of trojanizing Android applications are being traded on the criminal underground for up to $20,000 as a way to evade Google Play Store defenses.

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