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Province warns of 'global cybersecurity issue' that resulted in stolen personal info

The Nova Scotia government is alerting the public to a "global cybersecurity issue" that has resulted in the theft of personal information.

https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/nova-scotia/cyber-security-moveit-government-files-colton-leblanc-digital-1.6865279

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Police, cybersecurity experts warn of potential scams for wildfire relief

Times of crisis like the Nova Scotia wildfires can often bring out the best in people, but experts warn they can also be a breeding ground for the total opposite.

https://atlantic.ctvnews.ca/police-cybersecurity-experts-warn-of-potential-scams-for-wildfire-relief-1.6423244

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University of Waterloo investigates suspected ransomware attack on email server

The University of Waterloo is investigating after a suspected ransomware attack on the school's online systems.

https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/kitchener-waterloo/university-waterloo-ransomware-attack-1.6862175

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Ottawa to roll out cybersecurity checks for defence contracts, Anand says

The federal government says certain defence contracts will be subject to a mandatory cybersecurity certification process starting in the winter of 2024.

https://globalnews.ca/news/9735883/defence-cybersecurity-program-canada/

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Toyota data leak exposes drivers' details – again

Toyota admitted to a second data leak in less than three weeks, with the automaker exposing drivers' sensitive details such as name and home address.

https://cybernews.com/news/toyota-data-leak-exposed-drivers/

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SAS faces new $3m ransom demand to halt ongoing attack

Anonymous Sudan, the hacktivist gang targeting SAS Airlines in a five-day-long cyber spree, has now upped their latest ransom demand from $175,000 to a whopping $3 million.

https://cybernews.com/security/sas-3m-ransom-demand-anonymous-sudan-ongoing-attack/

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Singapore's cyber defenses against ChatGPT-enabled hackers

Singapore is mobilizing against AI-enhanced digital threats that come from cyber criminals harnessing ChatGPT and other generative AI capabilities.

https://www.iotworldtoday.com/security/singapore-s-cyber-defenses-against-chatgpt-enabled-hackers

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Ransomware used MOVEit exploit to steal data from dozens of organizations

Progress Software informed customers on May 31 that its MOVEit Transfer managed file transfer (MFT) software is affected by a critical SQL injection vulnerability that can be exploited by an unauthenticated attacker to access databases associated with the product.

https://www.securityweek.com/ransomware-group-used-moveit-exploit-to-steal-data-from-dozens-of-organizations/

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Malicious Chrome extension with over 75 million downloads install malware

Google has removed 32 malicious extensions from the Chrome Web Store that could have changed search results and pushed spam or unwanted adverts. They have received 75 million downloads altogether.

https://cybersecuritynews.com/chrome-extension-75-million-downloads/

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OpenAI unveils million-dollar cybersecurity grant program

OpenAI, makers of the popular ChatGPT bot application, plans to shell out grants in increments of US$10,000 USD in the form of API credits or direct funding for projects that empower defensive use-cases for generative AI technology.

https://www.securityweek.com/openai-unveils-million-dollar-cybersecurity-grant-program/

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Alarming surge in TrueBot activity revealed with new delivery vectors

A surge in TrueBot activity was observed in May 2023, cybersecurity researchers disclosed.

https://thehackernews.com/2023/06/alarming-surge-in-truebot-activity.html

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Safe security unveils AI-fueled cyber risk Cloud of Cloud platform with SafeGPT

Safe Security, which features an AI-based cyber risk management cloud platform, has rolled out what it's touting is the industry's first Cyber Risk Cloud of Clouds with SafeGPT for predicting and preventing cyber breaches.

https://www.msspalert.com/cybersecurity-news/safe-security-unveils-ai-fueled-cyber-risk-cloud-of-clouds-platform-with-safegpt/

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Hackers, fraudsters and thieves: understanding cybersecurity in the gaming industry

The gaming sector is under siege. The number of gaming-related cyber-attacks is growing at an alarming rate, and the online boom of the early 2000s brought hackers to the gate. In two decades, an industry worth tens of billions was transformed into one worth hundreds of billions in revenue – $221.4bn in 2023. Unsurprisingly, this growth and the opportunities it provides cyber-criminals did not go unnoticed. With such a lucrative target, hackers have long plagued the sector.

https://www.infosecurity-magazine.com/opinions/hackers-cybersecurity-gaming/

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