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# Cascades Casino cybersecurity attack may have breached personal employee information

Current and former employees of Cascades Casino in Chatham are being warned their personal information may have been breached following a recent cybersecurity attack that shut down the casino for several weeks.

https://windsor.ctvnews.ca/cascades-casino-cybersecurity-attack-may-have-breached-personal-employee-information-1.6437852

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# At least 100,000 Nova Scotians affected by cybertheft of government employee files

Cybercriminals made off with the personal and banking information of at least 100,000 Nova Scotians last week, before the Nova Scotia government secured a file transfer service that had been breached as part of a global attack on MOVEit.

https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/nova-scotia/hack-cyberattack-digital-ns-government-1.6867221

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# Seneca Polytechnic, Microsoft Canada and Sobeys Inc. are preparing the next generation of cybersecurity analysts

Seneca Polytechnic, Microsoft Canada and Sobeys Inc. are joining forces to help fill the critical shortage of cybersecurity analysts with a new, affordable series of short-term courses, or microcredentials, available across Canada.

 $\frac{https://www.newswire.ca/news-releases/seneca-polytechnic-microsoft-canada-and-sobeys-inc-are-preparing-the-next-generation-of-cybersecurity-analysts-850240608.html$ 

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## Winning the mind game: The role of the ransomware negotiator

Ransomware is an industry. As such, it has its own business logic: organizations pay money, in crypto-currency, in order to regain control over their systems and data.

https://thehackernews.com/2023/06/winning-mind-game-role-of-ransomware.html

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## BBC, BA and Boots issued with ultimatum by cyber gang Clop

A prolific cyber crime gang thought to be based in Russia has issued an ultimatum to victims of a hack that has hit organisations around the world.

https://www.bbc.com/news/technology-65829726

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# Google introduces SAIF, a framework for secure AI development and use

The Google SAIF (Secure AI Framework) is designed to provide a security framework or ecosystem for the development, use and protection of AI systems.

https://www.securityweek.com/google-introduces-saif-a-framework-for-secure-ai-development-and-use/

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# Asylum Ambuscade: A cybercrime group with espionage ambitions

The threat actor known as Asylum Ambuscade has been observed straddling cybercrime and cyber espionage operations since at least early 2020.

https://thehackernews.com/2023/06/asylum-ambuscade-cybercrime-group-with.html

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## Mattel experiments with ChatGPT in cybersecurity

Toy maker Mattel is experimenting with generative-artificial-intelligence tools including ChatGPT to help its cybersecurity teams, but the company's head of cybersecurity said the risk of inaccurate results from the new technology is too great to deploy it broadly.

https://www.wsj.com/articles/mattel-experiments-with-chatqpt-in-cybersecurity-c80a0965

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# Cybersecurity provider warns against fake ChatGPT apps stealing users' money

In a report, Sophos provided details about these multiple apps masquerading as legitimate, ChatGPT-based chatbots to overcharge users and bring in thousands of dollars a month.

https://www.gizguide.com/2023/06/fake-chatgpt-apps.html

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# Swiss government targeted by series of cyber-attacks

The websites of several Swiss federal agencies and state-linked companies were inaccessible on Monday, June 12, 2023, due to a cyber-attack, Switzerland's finance ministry has confirmed.

https://www.infosecurity-magazine.com/news/swiss-government-targeted-series/

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# Why now? The rise of attack surface management

The term "attack surface management" (ASM) went from unknown to ubiquitous in the cybersecurity space over the past few years. Gartner and Forrester have both highlighted the importance of ASM recently, multiple solution providers have emerged in the space, and investment and acquisition activity have seen an uptick.

https://thehackernews.com/2023/06/why-now-rise-of-attack-surface.html

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## Cybercriminals using powerful BatCloak engine to make malware fully undetectable

A fully undetectable (FUD) malware obfuscation engine named BatCloak is being used to deploy various malware strains since September 2022, while persistently evading antivirus detection.

https://thehackernews.com/2023/06/cybercriminals-using-powerful-batcloak.html

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