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Challenge yourself with our Internet of Things (IoT) Quiz!

Cybersecurity theme of the week: **Spyware**

🌟 Check out our [Spyware Infosheet](#) to learn more.

Wonder what you can do to protect yourself from spyware?

All Users	Technical Users	Business Owners
Keep your operating system and web browsers updated. Your operating system (like Windows or Linux) may offer free software “patches” to close holes in the system that spyware could exploit.	Implement an enterprise level anti-malware program from a vendor your organization knows and trusts. Ensure that the anti-malware program conducts regular scans and provides reports.	Understand the cybersecurity measures of your suppliers and partners, and their services and products. This should be done in proportion to the level of risk, instead of expecting everyone to be at the same level of maturity.

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City 'prioritizes cybersecurity' in wake of cyber attacks

In the wake of recent cyber attacks, the City of Greater Sudbury clarified they undergo regular reviews of cybersecurity strategies.

<https://www.sudbury.com/city-hall/city-prioritizes-cybersecurity-in-wake-of-cyber-attacks-8581488>

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Apple drops term 'state-sponsored' attacks from its threat notification policy

Apple Inc (AAPL.O), opens new tab has warned its users in India and 91 other countries that they were possible victims of a "mercenary spyware attack," dropping the word "state-sponsored" it used in its previous alerts to refer to such malware attacks.

<https://www.reuters.com/technology/cybersecurity/apple-warns-users-mercenary-spyware-attack-91-countries-including-india-et-2024-04-11/>

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Cybersecurity expert shares what guests, hotels should know in wake of Omni breach

In the wake of a recent cyberattack on Omni Hotels & Resorts that prompted a "shut down [of] its systems to protect and contain its data," experts are reminding people of the actions guests can take to preserve their digital safety and weighing in on risks facing the hospitality industry at large.

<https://abcnews.go.com/GMA/Travel/cybersecurity-expert-shares-guests-hotels-wake-omni-breach/story?id=109001411>

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Taxi software vendor data leak: 300k passengers data exposed

Around 300,000 taxi passengers' personal information was left exposed on the internet, causing concern in the UK and Ireland.

<https://gbhackers.com/taxi-software-vendor-data-leak/>

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Life in cybersecurity: From nursing to threat analyst

As digital threats increase, we see more professionals transition into cybersecurity. Some come from previous technical roles, and some do not.

<https://www.tripwire.com/state-of-security/life-cybersecurity-nursing-threat-analyst>

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Apple warns users in 150 countries of mercenary spyware attacks

Apple this week updated its spyware threat notification system to alert and assist users it identifies as targeted by mercenary spyware attacks.

<https://www.darkreading.com/vulnerabilities-threats/apple-warns-users-targeted-by-mercenary-spyware>

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US says Russian hackers stole federal government emails during Microsoft cyberattack

U.S. Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) has confirmed that Russian government-backed hackers stole emails from several U.S. federal agencies as a result of an ongoing cyberattack at Microsoft.

<https://techcrunch.com/2024/04/11/us-cisa-russia-apt-29-government-email-theft-microsoft/>

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Swinomish Casino forced to close after “cybersecurity issue”

The Swinomish Casino and Lodge has provided an update on their operations after being forced to close earlier this week.

<https://mybellinghamnow.com/news/297792-swinomish-casino-forced-to-close-after-cybersecurity-issue/>

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Ukrainian hackers hijacked 87,000 sensors to shut down sewage system

Ukrainian hackers have successfully infiltrated and disabled a vast network of industrial sensors and monitoring infrastructure in Russia, leading to a significant shutdown of sewage systems, among other utilities.

<https://cybersecuritynews.com/ukrainian-hackers-hijacked/>

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Sneaky credit card skimmer disguised as harmless Facebook tracker

Cybersecurity researchers have discovered a credit card skimmer that's concealed within a fake Meta Pixel tracker script in an attempt to evade detection.

<https://thehackernews.com/2024/04/sneaky-credit-card-skimmer-disguised-as.html>

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AI Copilot: Launching innovation rockets, but beware of the darkness ahead

Imagine a world where the software that powers your favorite apps, secures your online transactions, and keeps your digital life could be outsmarted and taken over by a cleverly disguised piece of code. This isn't a plot from the latest cyber-thriller; it's actually been a reality for years now. How this will change – in a positive or negative direction – as artificial intelligence (AI) takes on a larger role in software development is one of the big uncertainties related to this brave new world.

<https://thehackernews.com/2024/04/ai-copilot-launching-innovation-rockets.html>

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Roku says more than 500,000 accounts impacted in cyberattack

Streaming service provider Roku said on Friday it identified a second cyberattack that impacted about 576,000 additional accounts while investigating a breach that affected 15,000 user accounts earlier this year.

<https://www.reuters.com/technology/cybersecurity/roku-says-more-than-500000-accounts-impacted-by-cyber-attack-2024-04-12/>

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Chinese Chipmaker Nexperia: Gigabytes of data stolen

Nexperia, a Chinese chipmaker, has recently been the victim of a massive data breach where gigabytes of sensitive information have been stolen.

<https://cybersecuritynews.com/chinese-chipmaker-nexperia/>

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