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[Security news]

MICROSOFT WARNS OF SSL ATTACKS

Hackers preparing to exploit Secure Socket Layer vulnerabilities in Windows.

<http://www.net-security.org/news.php?id=5104>

CYBER-COPS RREST TRIO IN PIRACY XRACKDOWN

Nearly 100 individuals worldwide, many of whom are alleged to be leaders or high-level members of various international piracy organizations, have been identified by Operation Fastlink to date.

<http://www.net-security.org/news.php?id=5105>

COMMON SECURITY VULNERABILITIES IN E-COMMERCE SYSTEMS

This article discusses these vulnerabilities with examples, either from the set of known vulnerabilities, or those discovered during the author's penetration testing assignments.

<http://www.net-security.org/news.php?id=5106>

'BURNT OUT' IT STAFF LOSING VIRUS BATTLE

Failure to centralise antivirus software management exhausts IT workers.

<http://www.net-security.org/news.php?id=5107>

VIRUS WARNING: BAGLE.Z GETS POETIC

The author of the latest variant of the Bagle worm has gone beyond penning just a piece of code - the writer has also included a poem in the document attachment on which the worm piggybacks.

<http://www.net-security.org/news.php?id=5108>

DOCUMENT SECURITY FEARS GROW

Problems with maintaining the confidentiality of electronic documents and preventing document tampering are on the rise, according to a security manager at Adobe Systems Inc.

<http://www.net-security.org/news.php?id=5109>

EUROPE DRAGS HEELS IN WAR ON SPAM

The shortcomings of Europe's war against spam are highlighted in a study of anti-spam legislation published today.

<http://www.net-security.org/news.php?id=5110>

COMPUTER ATTACKS ON UK BUSINESSES DOUBLE

DTI security breaches survey finds firms more vulnerable now than in 2002.

<http://www.net-security.org/news.php?id=5111>

BAGLE TURNS TO VERSE

The latest variant of the worm includes a poem in the attachment that hides the worm.

<http://www.net-security.org/news.php?id=5112>

COMPANIES TEAM ON UBIQUITOUS, SECURE MOBILE/WIRELESS SYSTEM

Users of notebooks and other mobile data devices could benefit from a new chip-card-based system offering ubiquitous, secure connectivity between mobile and wireless LAN networks.

<http://www.net-security.org/news.php?id=5113>

WORM WITH EMBEDDED POETRY

The author of the Bagle worm apparently has a softer side, security experts said Tuesday as their analysis uncovered -- believe it or not -- a poem embedded in most recent variant, which went wild

on Monday.

<http://www.net-security.org/news.php?id=5114>

AGENCIES SLOW TO MEET ONLINE PRIVACY CRITERIA

A few more agency Web sites now have machine-readable privacy policies, but the adoption rate should be faster, according to a new report from Ernst and Young LLP.

<http://www.net-security.org/news.php?id=5115>

SIGNS POINT TO WORM ATTACK ON SSL VULNERABILITY

Security experts on Tuesday said they are seeing evidence of what appears to be a worm exploiting the recently announced vulnerability in the Windows implementation of the Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) protocol.

<http://www.net-security.org/news.php?id=5116>

FIGHTING BACK AGAINST SPYWARE

Microsoft estimates spyware is responsible for half of all PC crashes.

<http://www.net-security.org/news.php?id=5117>

AUSTRALIAN BANKS TARGETED IN WINDOWS ATTACK

Internet hackers based in Brazil, Germany and the Netherlands have launched attacks against some of Australia's largest financial institutions over the Anzac Day long weekend.

<http://www.net-security.org/news.php?id=5118>

TIME TO MARRY NETWORK AND PHYSICAL SECURITY

They are one and the same - security is security is security...

<http://www.net-security.org/news.php?id=5120>

SKILLS SHORTAGE THREATENS SECURITY

A recent survey shows that security breaches are on the increase. Could a skills shortage be to blame?

<http://www.net-security.org/news.php?id=5121>

POLL: MOST 'SECURITY CONSCIOUS'

Macworld Online readers are far more security conscious than the rest of the UK population – 70 per cent of whom would reveal their computer password "for a bar of chocolate", a new survey concludes.

<http://www.net-security.org/news.php?id=5123>

HACKERS? WHAT ABOUT RISING DAMP?

A water leak or a failure in temperature control are just as likely to cause computer downtime as malicious attackers. But such so-called environmental issues are neglected until disaster strikes.

<http://www.net-security.org/news.php?id=5124>

SPYING SOFTWARE WATCHES YOU WORK

Spyware is rampant on computers in US businesses, a survey has found.

<http://www.net-security.org/news.php?id=5125>

COMPUTER HACKING 'COSTS BILLIONS'

Three-quarters of UK companies have been hit by security breaches in their computer systems over the past year, costing billions to industry.

<http://www.net-security.org/news.php?id=5126>

MULTINATIONAL TEAM CRACKS CRYPTO PUZZLE

RSA Security on Tuesday said that over three months of consistent effort helped a team of mathematicians from Europe and North America solve the company's latest encryption puzzle.

<http://www.net-security.org/news.php?id=5127>

HACK YOUR WAY TO HOLLYWOOD

Heather Robinson, 25, sure has moxie. She turned her youthful indiscretions with a stolen credit card into a movie deal. Now she's trying to land another, this one based on her electronic snooping through AOL's customer database.

<http://www.net-security.org/news.php?id=5128>

LINUX VULNERABLE TO INFILTRATION

Linux source code could be infiltrated by dubious elements, including spies, according to a white paper released by Dan O'Dowd, chief executive officer of Green Hills Software Inc.

<http://www.net-security.org/news.php?id=5129>

[**Vulnerabilities**]

All vulnerabilities are located here:

http://www.net-security.org/archive_vuln.php

Citrix MetaFrame Administrator Excessive Privilege Vulnerability

<http://www.net-security.org/vuln.php?id=3422>

Microsoft Internet Explorer Certificate Stealing Vulnerability

<http://www.net-security.org/vuln.php?id=3421>

3com NBX VOIP NetSet Denial of Service Vulnerability
<http://www.net-security.org/vuln.php?id=3420>

Props 0.6.1 Multiple Vulnerabilities
<http://www.net-security.org/vuln.php?id=3419>

SquirrelMail Multiple Cross Scripting Vulnerabilities
<http://www.net-security.org/vuln.php?id=3418>

Moodle Cross Site Scripting Vulnerability
<http://www.net-security.org/vuln.php?id=3417>

Network Query Tool 1.6 Multiple Vulnerabilities
<http://www.net-security.org/vuln.php?id=3416>

Open Bulletin Board 1.0.6 Multiple Vulnerabilities
<http://www.net-security.org/vuln.php?id=3415>

eXtremail 1.5.9 Multiple Format String Vulnerabilities
<http://www.net-security.org/vuln.php?id=3414>

paFileDB Multiple Vulnerabilities
<http://www.net-security.org/vuln.php?id=3413>

Samsung SmartEther SS6215S Switch Authentication
Bypass Vulnerability
<http://www.net-security.org/vuln.php?id=3412>

Netegrity SiteMinder Affiliate Agent Cookie Overflow Vulnerability
<http://www.net-security.org/vuln.php?id=3411>

Symantec Multiple Firewall TCP Options Denial of Service
<http://www.net-security.org/vuln.php?id=3410>

[Advisories]

All advisories are located at:
http://www.net-security.org/archive_advi.php

Microsoft Security Update Alert - Sasser Worm
<http://www.net-security.org/advisory.php?id=3294>

Debian Security Advisory - New flim packages fix insecure temporary file creation (DSA 500-1)
<http://www.net-security.org/advisory.php?id=3293>

Debian Security Advisory - New rsync packages fix directory traversal bug (DSA 499-1)
<http://www.net-security.org/advisory.php?id=3292>

Netwosix Linux Security Advisory - xchat (2004-0014)
<http://www.net-security.org/advisory.php?id=3291>

Netwosix Linux Security Advisory - samba (2004-0013)
<http://www.net-security.org/advisory.php?id=3290>

Apple Security Update - QuickTime 6.5.1 (APPLE-SA-2004-04-30)
<http://www.net-security.org/advisory.php?id=3289>

Red Hat Security Advisory - Updated mc packages resolve several vulnerabilities (RHSA-2004:173-01)
<http://www.net-security.org/advisory.php?id=3288>

Mandrakelinux Security Update Advisory - proftpd (MDKSA-2004:041)
<http://www.net-security.org/advisory.php?id=3287>

Red Hat Security Advisory - Updated OpenOffice packages fix security vulnerability in neon (RHSA-2004:163-01)
<http://www.net-security.org/advisory.php?id=3286>

Red Hat Security Advisory - Updated libpng packages fix crash (RHSA-2004:181-01)
<http://www.net-security.org/advisory.php?id=3285>

Trustix Secure Linux Security Advisory - libpng proftpd (2004-0025)
<http://www.net-security.org/advisory.php?id=3284>

Red Hat Security Advisory - Updated utempter package fixes vulnerability (RHSA-2004:175-01)
<http://www.net-security.org/advisory.php?id=3283>

OpenPKG Security Advisory - proftpd (OpenPKG-SA-2004.018)
<http://www.net-security.org/advisory.php?id=3282>

Debian Security Advisory - libpng, libpng3 (DSA 498-1)
<http://www.net-security.org/advisory.php?id=3281>

Trustix Secure Linux Security Advisory - rsync (2004-0024)
<http://www.net-security.org/advisory.php?id=3280>

Red Hat Security Advisory - Updated httpd packages fix mod_ssl security issue (RHSA-2004:182-01)
<http://www.net-security.org/advisory.php?id=3279>

Red Hat Security Advisory - An updated LHA package fixes security vulnerabilities (RHSA-2004:179-01)
<http://www.net-security.org/advisory.php?id=3278>

Red Hat Security Advisory - An updated X-Chat package fixes vulnerability in Socks-5 (RHSA-2004:177-01)
<http://www.net-security.org/advisory.php?id=3277>

Mandrakelinux Security Update Advisory - libpng (MDKSA-2004:040)
<http://www.net-security.org/advisory.php?id=3276>

Mandrakelinux Security Update Advisory - mc (MDKSA-2004:039)
<http://www.net-security.org/advisory.php?id=3275>

OpenPKG Security Advisory - png (OpenPKG-SA-2004.017)
<http://www.net-security.org/advisory.php?id=3274>

Gentoo Linux Security Advisory - Multiple Vulnerabilities in Samba (GLSA 200404-21)
<http://www.net-security.org/advisory.php?id=3273>

Debian Security Advisory - New mc packages fix several vulnerabilities (DSA 497-1)
<http://www.net-security.org/advisory.php?id=3272>

Debian Security Advisory - New eterm packages fix indirect arbitrary command execution (DSA 496-1)
<http://www.net-security.org/advisory.php?id=3271>

Guardian Digital Security Advisory - kernel (ESA-20040428-004)
<http://www.net-security.org/advisory.php?id=3270>

Mandrakelinux Security Update Advisory - syslogd (MDKSA-2004:038)
<http://www.net-security.org/advisory.php?id=3269>

Slackware Security Advisory - kernel security updates (SSA:2004-119-01)
<http://www.net-security.org/advisory.php?id=3268>

SGI Security Advisory - SGI Advanced Linux Environment security update #19 (20040406-01-U)
<http://www.net-security.org/advisory.php?id=3267>

Mandrakelinux Security Update Advisory - kernel (kernel)
<http://www.net-security.org/advisory.php?id=3266>

SGI Security Advisory - SGI ProPack v2.4: Kernel update #3 (40405-01-U)
<http://www.net-security.org/advisory.php?id=3265>

Gentoo Linux Security Advisory - Multiple Vulnerabilities in ssmtp (GLSA 200404-18)
<http://www.net-security.org/advisory.php?id=3264>

Gentoo Linux Security Advisory - Buffer overflows and format string vulnerabilities in LCDproc (GLSA 200404-19)
<http://www.net-security.org/advisory.php?id=3263>

Gentoo Linux Security Advisory - Multiple vulnerabilities in xine (GLSA 200404-20)
<http://www.net-security.org/advisory.php?id=3262>

[Articles]

All articles are located at:
http://www.net-security.org/articles_main.php

Articles can be contributed to articles@net-security.org

INFOSECURITY EUROPE 2004 SHOWCASE VIDEO

The video is 4:53 minutes in length, available for download in Windows Media 9 256K (9.08 MB) and 64K (2.27 MB). Check out the great atmosphere in London.

<http://www.net-security.org/article.php?id=682>

THE TRENDS IN INFORMATION SECURITY SPENDING

According to the latest industry research commissioned by Cisco Systems, businesses still don't spend enough money on information security.

<http://www.net-security.org/article.php?id=681>

[Webcasts]

All webcasts are located at:
<http://www.net-security.org/webcasts.php>

Security with the Visual Studio Tools for the Microsoft Office System

Organized by Microsoft on 5 May 2004, 11:00 AM PT

<http://www.net-security.org/webcast.php?id=212>

The Symantec End-to-End Security Solution for the Microsoft-Driven Enterprise

Organized by Symantec on 5 May 2004, 11:00 AM PST

<http://www.net-security.org/webcast.php?id=264>

Secure Remote Access – WLAN, VPN, Web, Terminal Services, Dial-up

Organized by Activcard on 6 May 2004, 11:00 AM PT

<http://www.net-security.org/webcast.php?id=255>

Managing Enterprise Risk in a Wireless World
Organized by META Group on 6 May 2004, 2:00 PM ET
<http://www.net-security.org/webcast.php?id=270>

[**Conferences**]

All conferences are located at:
<http://www.net-security.org/conferences.php>

Computer Security Mexico 2004
Organized by Computer Security Department and UNAM-CERT
- 27 May-28 May 2004
<http://www.net-security.org/conference.php?id=87>

RSA Conference 2004 Japan
Organized by RSA Conference 2004 Japan Executive Committee
- 31 May-1 June 2004
<http://www.net-security.org/conference.php?id=82>

Infosecurity Canada Conference & Exhibition 2004
Organized by Reed Exhibitions - 1 June-3 June 2004
<http://www.net-security.org/conference.php?id=86>

BCS Birmingham IT Security Conference 2004
Organized by British Computer Society - 8 June-8 June 2004
<http://www.net-security.org/conference.php?id=81>

16th Annual FIRST Conference
Organized by FIRST - 13 June-18 June 2004
<http://www.net-security.org/conference.php?id=22>

NetSec 2004
Organized by Computer Security Institute - 14 June-16 June 2004
<http://www.net-security.org/conference.php?id=20>

2004 USENIX Annual Technical Conference
Organized by USENIX Association - 27 June-2 July 2004
<http://www.net-security.org/conference.php?id=66>

DIMVA 2004

Organized by German Informatics Society - 6 July-7 July 2004
<http://www.net-security.org/conference.php?id=47>

RUXCON 2004

Organized by Australian computer security community -
10 July-11 July 2004
<http://www.net-security.org/conference.php?id=88>

Open Source Convention 2004

Organized by O'Reilly - 26 July-30 July 2004
<http://www.net-security.org/conference.php?id=89>

13th USENIX Security Symposium

Organized by USENIX Association - 9 August-13 August 2004
<http://www.net-security.org/conference.php?id=67>

The 14th Virus Bulletin International Conference (VB2004)

Organized by Virus Bulletin - 29 September-1 October 2004
<http://www.net-security.org/conference.php?id=83>

RSA Conference Europe 2004

Organized by RSA Security - 3 November-5 November 2004
<http://www.net-security.org/conference.php?id=90>

[**Security world**]

All press releases are located at:

http://www.net-security.org/press_main.php

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ServGate Enhances McAfee-based Email Filtering Engine with
Intelligent Spam Prevention and Heuristics Capabilities

<http://www.net-security.org/press.php?id=2101>

AEP Systems Hires New Positions, Strengthens AEP Sureware Net Team

<http://www.net-security.org/press.php?id=2100>

Aladdin and Crossbeam Systems Partner to Offer Powerful Content Security for High Capacity and High Availability Customers
<http://www.net-security.org/press.php?id=2099>

Sygate Technologies Named Finalist For Red Herring Top 100
<http://www.net-security.org/press.php?id=2098>

Lurhq Reports Sasser Worm Rapidly Spreading Across Internet
<http://www.net-security.org/press.php?id=2097>

Proofpoint and F-Secure Announce Technology Partnership
<http://www.net-security.org/press.php?id=2096>

ContentKeeper Technologies Incorporates F-Secure Anti-Virus for Linux File Servers into their ContentKeeper Internet Filtering Appliance Product Family
<http://www.net-security.org/press.php?id=2095>

Certicom Announces Elliptic Curve Cryptography Challenge Winner
<http://www.net-security.org/press.php?id=2094>

Imperva Unveils SecureSphere Web Application Security Appliances
<http://www.net-security.org/press.php?id=2093>

GlobalSign Launches New SSL Server Certificate Model For Large Organisations
<http://www.net-security.org/press.php?id=2092>

(ISC)2 Offers Grandfathering Process For Advanced Architecture And Management Certifications
<http://www.net-security.org/press.php?id=2091>

Utimaco Increases Revenue And Result In The First Nine Months Of The Business Year 2003/2004
<http://www.net-security.org/press.php?id=2090>

TippingPoint's UnityOne Intrusion Prevention System Deployed at the University of Texas McCombs School of Business
<http://www.net-security.org/press.php?id=2089>

Syngress Publishing Announces the Release of "WarDriving: Drive, Detect, Defend"
<http://www.net-security.org/press.php?id=2088>

[**Virus News**]

All virus news are located at:
<http://www.net-security.org/viruses.php>

New Automatic Internet Worm Spreading at Increasing Pace
(03 May 2004)
http://www.net-security.org/virus_news.php?id=397

Top Ten Viruses And Hoaxes Reported To Sophos in April 2004
(03 May 2004)
http://www.net-security.org/virus_news.php?id=396

Panda Software Offers to Every User the Free Tool to Disinfect
and Remove Sasser.A (03 May 2004)
http://www.net-security.org/virus_news.php?id=395

Panda ActiveScan Top 10 Viruses in April 2004 (03 May 2004)
http://www.net-security.org/virus_news.php?id=394

Weekly Report on Viruses and Intrusions - Bagle and NetSky
Variants, Gimered and Gaobot Worms (03 May 2004)
http://www.net-security.org/virus_news.php?id=393

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deliver highly reliable and secure IT infrastructure, and drive
valuable new capabilities for the future growth of your business.

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