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FEATURE

This Week in Cybersecurity

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Threat Intelligence — Continued

Solidity Pro VS Code Extensions Steal Crypto Wallets, API Keys, and Credentials

OpenAI's Next AI Model Astra Shows Cyber Performance Strong Enough to Trigger Pause

Atlassian Rovo Can Be Tricked Into Sending Jira and Confluence Data to Attackers

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💡 WEEKLY TECH TIP

Verify Software Downloads Before Installing Anything

Attackers are compromising legitimate software distribution channels to deliver malware, as seen in recent TrueConf and VS Code extension attacks. Always verify software authenticity before installation to prevent credential theft and system compromise.

Step 1: Download software only from official vendor websites, not third-party repositories.

Step 2: Verify digital signatures and checksums against official sources before running installers.

Step 3: Review permission requests carefully—uninstall extensions or apps requesting excessive access.

Step 4: Enable endpoint protection that scans downloads and monitors for suspicious installation behavior.

ALERTS

National Cybersecurity Alerts

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ISC Stormcast For Thursday, August 6th, 2026 https://isc.sans.edu/podcastdetail/10040, (Thu, Aug 6th)

REGIONAL

Regional & Sector-Specific Alerts

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AUGUST AWARENESS

Back to School / New Devices

Security Awareness Spotlight: Back to School / New Devices August means new laptops, tablets, and phones for students and staff—but every new device is a potential open door for hackers if you don't secure it first. Before anyone connects a new device to your business network, make sure it has the latest security updates installed, antivirus software running, and strong passwords or PINs enabled. **Today, create a simple checklist that lists these three requirements and post it where your team can see it—then don't let any device go online until someone checks off all three boxes.**

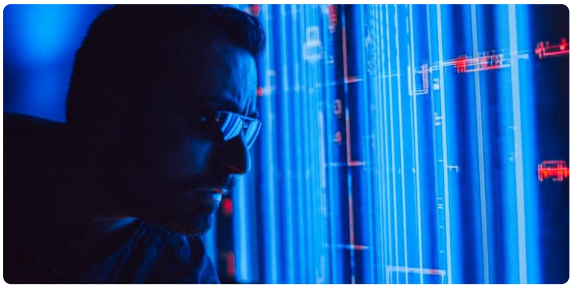
ACTION ITEM

Schedule a 15-minute team security review this week using this month's theme as your agenda.

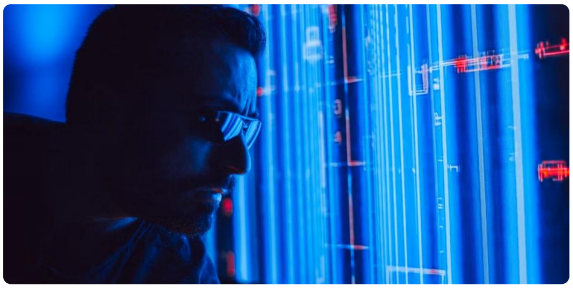
SMB SPOTLIGHT

Protecting Your Business

NCSC statement in response to recent incidents resulting from frontier AI evaluations



Making forensic observability the norm for network devices



When cyber attacks happen: helping organisations recover

UK and partners expose Russian state-supported actors for new ‘zero-click’ phishing campaign targeting Western organisations

INNOVATION

Cybersecurity Advancements

‘Ghostjacking’ Attack Uses Poisoned Logs to Turn AI Agents Bad

New Jersey, Alabama Join States Targeted in Water Cyberattacks

Metabase Patches Vulnerability Exploited as Zero-Day

Novel Private APN Pivot Let Hackers Sabotage Second Polish Energy Facility

CTO'S DESK

From the Desk of Daniel Ramos

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The passkey vulnerabilities making headlines this week should serve as a stark reminder: there is no silver bullet in cybersecurity. Many organizations rushed to adopt passkeys as the ultimate solution to credential theft, believing they'd finally escaped the phishing nightmare. Now we're seeing sophisticated attacks that can extract synced private keys or simply bypass these "phishing-resistant" controls altogether.

Here's what I want you to understand: this doesn't mean passkeys are worthless. It means layered security remains non-negotiable. The threat actors evolving their tactics faster than vendors can patch vulnerabilities is precisely why we advocate for defense in depth. Every control you implement—whether it's passkeys, endpoint detection, network segmentation, or security awareness training—adds another barrier that attackers must overcome.

What concerns me most is seeing businesses halt other security investments because they believe one technology will solve everything. The TrueConf and Solidity compromises this week prove that vulnerabilities exist everywhere, from video conferencing platforms to development tools.

Don't let perfect be the enemy of good. Keep strengthening your security posture incrementally, layer by layer. That's how resilient organizations are built.

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