Subject: Re: As one who's been DDoS'd by Kholdstare on a N00BSTORIES SERVER....

Posted by Crimson on Thu, 05 Oct 2006 00:14:32 GMT

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Hydra wrote on Wed, 04 October 2006 10:02I'm going to admit that I don't know all that much about coding, dynamic IP addresses, IRC bots, server-side scripts, and all that technical kind of crap, but I'm gonna make a few logical assumptions and just go from there.

That's your first problem.

Hydra wrote on Wed, 04 October 2006 10:02You say he can change his IP address at will. If I understand basic "hacking" correctly, changing your IP at will is one of the first basic things any budding script kiddie learns how to do. I'm also going to assume that Kholdstare isn't the only person in the entire world who knows how to change his IP address.

Are you going to tell me, though, that in all the years previous to Rengaurd's release that you have NEVER, not even ONCE, encountered a cheater who, like Kholdstare, knew how to change his IP address? Are you saying that there has never been a cheater, using Final Renegade or Big Head or whatever, who knew how to change his IP address to evade his bans? Frankly, I find all that a little hard to believe.

Well, the RenGuard software sends a little more information to us to make banning easier and NOT dependent on something as easily-changed as an IP. (Unfortunately that doesn't work any more either) My Renegade server only gets a nickname and an IP. Both are easy to change. For the record, all of his normal nicknames are currently banned from my server but all he has to do is make up a name and rejoin and I would never know.

Hydra wrote on Wed, 04 October 2006 10:02I don't even care if there's a permanent way to ban him, though. What I care about is whether or not the N00bstories administration (read: you) actually tries to do something about it.

That's good, because I have tried.

Hydra wrote on Wed, 04 October 2006 10:02... ban him on sight every single time he tries to rejoin. He'd eventually get bored of trying to rejoin only to get banned again, and the problem would subside at least for a while.

That might work on someone who doesn't care about Renegade, but it wouldn't work on someone who is both talented at hiding and has been involved in the community for years and isn't going anywhere.

Hydra wrote on Wed, 04 October 2006 10:02What I see coming from you, however, is a lack of any action whatsoever. In fact, you're making excuses for allowing the guy to do whatever the hell he wants.

I didn't make excuses. I apologized for my inability to stop him.

Hydra wrote on Wed, 04 October 2006 10:02That's like the police making excuses for the serial

convenience store robber who they just can't seem to catch.

Sure, the guy may be difficult to catch and extremely good at what he does, but ya know what? The cops have an obligation to society to try to catch that criminal and end his long string of crimes.

If I had the power of the police, he'd be in jail along with a few script kiddies.

Hydra wrote on Wed, 04 October 2006 10:02I make that analogy assuming you are not, in fact, in bed with the enemy. If (or should I say "since" based on the mounting evidence against you?) you're really no better than he is, or are in some sort of alliance with him, then I can understand perfectly why you're not doing anything to punish him.

I guess you could say the police are corrupt.

I'm not the police. I have a lot of power and ability to protect myself and my servers, but there's very very little I can do to protect other people. And I say this knowing a hell of a lot more than you do about these things.

MaidenTy1 wrote on Wed, 04 October 2006 10:39...to this I'll just briefly add that I said Crimson made that comment - she denied it over and over again, then later admitted that she did, in fact, refer to Khold as her "pet bulldog".

Yet that's no reason to think I was right in saying that... so keep demanding more evidence to prove what's right in front of you, guys!

No, I didn't. I never admitted to calling him that. From reading that thread it seems blatantly obvious that SOMEONE ELSE called him that and you falsely attributed the words to me. I did admit and apologize that I have LIED and inferred that my friendship with him was for my personal gain to hide that I actually like him, but that doesn't change anything one way or another.

xptek wrote on Wed, 04 October 2006 13:59Nah, I was just wondering why you're quoting someone when it has been established that they're not trustworthy at all.

That has not been established at all. The few times I have lied were for important reasons, and most of my "transgressions" stem from my being too forgiving and nice. When it comes to actual important things like people's money I am VERY trustworthy and honest. I am entrusted with hundreds of dollars every month by people in this community and I haven't had any of my pseudo-customers (I say pseudo customers because I break even if anything, I'm not in it for profit) back out and in fact I gained a "customer" since this thing started.

Furthermore, MANY people have trusted me with the passwords to their servers and I have NEVER breached that trust.

If you want to bring real life into this, I run a weekly poker game and the game is growing larger than we want it because of word of mouth. I had 30 players on Friday and I'm trying to get it back down to about 16. If I lacked integrity, my game wouldn't be popular or legal.

So for you to say I'm "not trustworthy at all" is very, very false.