

## Hello Cyberwolves

In this September edition, we pay homage to our rainbow nation's cultural wealth and diversity. We encourage all South Africans to do the same by celebrating, remembering, and embracing our contrasting beliefs, traditions, and heritage.

The recent Transnet breach was a tremendous wake-up call to all SA's cybersecurity professionals. It made us realise that we are not immune to cyber threats as a country, and we need to spring into action by being vigilant and ensuring that our organisation's basic defences are in place to prevent the logistical impact on a national scale.

Australia has also had its fair share of malware attempts. The Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA) warns us of SMS malware scams, where SMS messages with unique looking links pose as voicemail messages.

When it comes to malware, it has been proven that human error is a major contributing factor, and user awareness is crucial because once you click on a malicious link, it's like opening a can of worms.

Spring into action this month by being vigilant, and always remember that this rainbow nation belongs to all of us in both the digital and physical world.

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## NEWS

The recent cyber-attack on Transnet is a wake-up call that South African companies are not immune to cyber threats. The incident impacted logistics on a national scale. If basic defences are not in place and someone with the right resources decides to target your organisation, a cyber breach is highly probable. This article was recently published online by SA Instrumentation & Control and written by Wolfpack's Bryan Baxter. [READ MORE](#)

List of data breaches and cyber-attacks in August 2021 – 61 million records breached. It has been another month of comparatively few reported cyber-attacks and data

breaches, with the August list containing 84 incidents accounting for 60,865,828 breached records. [READ MORE](#)

The Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA) warns of SMS malware scams. Be aware of scam SMS messages with unusual looking links to a purported voicemail message. The ACMA is aware of current reports about consumers receiving unexpected messages with a link to access a missed call or voicemail. If you've received one of these messages, do not open the link. [READ MORE](#) on what to do if you receive one of these SMS messages.

## COMMUNITY

Malware is becoming a high paying business lately; its damages are measured in trillions of dollars. Measures have been put in place to mitigate these attacks. However, the attacks persist. It has been proven that human error is a major contributing factor. User awareness is crucial. This survival guide outlines what malware is and how it can be mitigated. Once you click on a malicious link, it's like opening up a can of worms. Spring into action this month by being vigilant when it comes to suspicious links. [Click here](#) to view the survival guide.

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