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Avast Yel!
SCAMMER
Hero Member
XX XXX
Posts: 1146

May 21, 2012, 06:55:10 PM

“A day in the life of a pirate.

Mods, please move this post if its in the wrong section. Thanks

Howdy Y’all

So there seems to be an ever-growing list of topics and links regarding information about what exactly I do to pay my lenders. Most of the information seems to be fabricated by people wearing pointy foil hats. On the other hand there are a few respected members of the community that seem to have fallen into the FUD world which has become... this forum. As you can imagine, knowing what I know about what I do, it’s been pretty entertaining to watch. I must admit, I do enjoy the thrill of getting a reaction from some of these nuts, but there does come a time when you have to stop throwing fuel on the fire.

What do I do? Lots, and you couldn’t pay me enough to tell how I do it. Why? Cause, as most of you know I’ve made a lot of money doing this and I’m simply not going to kill a good thing for now. Currently I don’t have to fund any portion of BTC5T due to my extensive list of lenders and like any professional would tell you... Don’t tie up your cash unless you have to. So if there was enough time-consuming BS going around that drove me to either disclose what I do exactly (and thus kill my profit margins) or fund the operation myself and increase my profit margin, you can imagine which one I’d choose.

At this time, I don’t need to make that decision. I know what I do and have every right to what I disclose about my process. So, now lets get to the good stuff.

Q - Are you running a drug ring and laundering money for Silk Road? 
A - Are you kidding me? I live in the US. If anything I was doing was illegal, my CPA, attorneys, and scariest... my wife would have my head. So to
make it clear, nothing I'm associated with is illegal.

Q - Are you the mystery Bitcoinica investor?
A - No, although I thought about it early on when I was looking into the different sectors, but coming from forex trading there would be so much I would change that it would be much easier to build it from scratch.

Q - Did you hack Bitcoinica or help to launder the coins?
A - No, as some of you know I have an extensive list of certifications but all of them are networking and datacenter related. I have business partners that handle all of the coding work and a few friends that fill in the gaps when needed. Honestly I wouldn't know if stolen coins are being moved in and out of BTCS&T or GPUMAX. We don't have systems in place to check for them nor would I add them, due to the simple fact that I'm not here to police the market, nor do I condone the practice. If someone steals your cash out of your wallet and you have the serial numbers, do you think anyone would care?

Q - Is BTCS&T a Ponzi?
A - Although, theoretically I could have run a Ponzi scheme for a while early on, it just wasn't something I would ever want to be a part of. If I wanted it to be one, it would have been at much lower rates and I'd be asking for everyone to join.

Q - What's up with the check warrant?
A - Those of you that have contacted me about this knew really early on about it. The check is for a tiny amount at a Lowe's hardware store in a city I lived in for two years back in 2002-2003. The check is for some company I have never heard of and haven't been able to find any information about. My drivers license number was written on the top of the check so it was associated with me. I didn't hear about this till years later when I was Googling myself and called to find out what it was and attempt to get it fixed. I just wanted to pay it to clear my record but they required me to confirm some information on the check which I couldn't do and would have to file a police report as well as setup a court date to deal with it. It just wasn't worth my time and could really care less about it. If I'm ever out in the desert again and get pulled over, maybe then they'll let me pay it.

I hope this information helps, but I know its not what some of you wanted. In the end, the only people I care about are my lenders and even then, they don't have to invest with me if they're worried about what I'm doing.

A big thanks to all of my lenders and those that support my projects. I do sleep sometimes and can't always see everything that is said about me on the forums but I can tell you that it's a breath of fresh air to wake up and see how many of you have my back when I'm not around. It doesn't go unnoticed and want you to know I'm here and plan to be for a while.

Now, on with the show.

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terrytibbs
Hero Member

Re: A day in the life of a pirate.
May 21, 2012, 07:03:13 PM

Quote from: pirateat40 on May 21, 2012, 06:55:10 PM
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pirateat40
Avast Ye!
SCAMMER
Hero Member

Re: A day in the life of a pirate.
May 21, 2012, 07:12:45 PM

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Scott J
Sr. Member

Re: A day in the life of a pirate.
May 21, 2012, 07:14:46 PM

It's good to see you finally deny some of the more serious allegations.
I'll give the PPTs more thought now.

Matthew N. Wright
SCAMMER
Hero Member

Re: A day in the life of a pirate.
May 21, 2012, 07:15:10 PM

Quote from: pirateat40 on May 21, 2012, 07:12:45 PM
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I like Pirate for one, even if he is running a highly illegal and undercover operation for three reasons:
- He makes bank
- He pisses everyone else off in how he does it
- No one can stop him because people follow the money
- He doesn't constantly defend himself on a bullshit unrelated forum

What do they call this in the real world again? Oh yea, professionalism.

Blitz
Donator
Hero Member

Re: A day in the life of a pirate.
May 21, 2012, 07:29:19 PM

Quote from: Blitz on May 21, 2012, 03:29:47 AM
Quote from: jgarzik on May 20, 2012, 05:50:14 AM
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SCAMMER
Hero Member
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Posts: 6016

Remember, remember, the 9th of September

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You are a very talented mental acrobat.

(And if this is not the same person, my apologies).

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May 21, 2012, 07:33:02 PM
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I have never claimed any of these things.

Also, the burden of proof is on the ones making criminal accusations.

Re: A day in the life of a pirate.
May 21, 2012, 07:34:04 PM
Pirateat40 is awesome as usual, also sub.

Mining Rig Extraordinaire - the Trenton BPX6806 18-slot PCIe backplane [PICS] Dead project is dead, all hail the coming of the mighty ASIC!

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Re: A day in the life of a pirate.
May 21, 2012, 07:48:00 PM

fascinating.
Something legal in the US, or something that is not clearly illegal, that produces massive returns with lenders spread around the world and traded on an exchange managed by someone in China, using bitcoin as an intermediary.
He goes by the name of a pirate and has a personality too.
You just can't make this stuff up and few dare to believe it is actually possible.

Whatever you can do, or dream you can do, begin it.
Boldness has genius, power, and magic in it. Begin it now. JWG

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Re: A day in the life of a pirate.
May 21, 2012, 08:05:41 PM

I'd buy a bottle or two of a nice dark rum.

Will the BFL SC Single deliver? http://betsofbitco.in/item?id=447
Will the BFL SC Products be here this year? http://betsofbitco.in/item?id=446

Re: A day in the life of a pirate.
May 21, 2012, 08:08:40 PM

Earning 30% a week or what ever?

Yeah its possible in some instances for a short time, but HIGHLY unlikely to be rooted in the real world.

Investing in something not transparent is just stupid; its worse than gambling as you don't even know what game you are playing or the odds.
Even if pirate is not doing a ponzi scheme the kind of people he attracts are quite likely to fall for other ponzi schemes.

Bitcoin is completely revolutionary and super needed yet its value is only climbing with some 30% a YEAR, that should give you a hint.

To do even that on a regular basis you usually have to be facebook or asset strip companies.

Not revealing his secret formula? There's people on the internet earning money on fruit porn, unless he discovered alchemy I don't buy it. Sounds SOO much like lehman brothers and the lot "we are so brilliant - two days later - your money is gone, bye!".

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He doesn't have to run a Ponzi on his own - my guess is still that he "invests" in some Ponzi/pyramid game like MMM. If you read carefully, he never denied that, only that he doesn't Ponzi himself.

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http://bitcointalk.org/index.php?topic=90182.0
May 21, 2012, 08:30:41 PM

+1 to rum!

I'm Goat on a boat!

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"If you're not attracting some haters, you're not trying hard enough." Exahash

bitdragon
Sr. Member
Posts: 451

Re: A day in the life of a pirate.
May 21, 2012, 08:32:44 PM

Quote from: Realpr on May 21, 2012, 08:08:40 PM

Bitcoin is completely revolutionary and super needed yet its value is only climbing with some 30% a YEAR, that should give you a hint.

What on earth are you talking about? It's been way more than 30% in my world. it's even more than 1000%

peace

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PatrickHarne
Donator
Hero Member
Posts: 1887

Re: A day in the life of a pirate.
May 21, 2012, 08:44:31 PM

Thank you Mr P for a nicely considered reply to some of the other threads.

It still amazes me that there are basically two groups of people, people who believe stuff can not be done (normally stupid), and those who go out and do it (a mix of smart and stupid people). Mr P is in the second category and probably smart - and I have a friend in the second category who is stupid and has $2M in the bank.

Ha ha ha (arrgh - subbed)
Timbo925  
Re: A day in the life of a pirate.  
May 21, 2012, 09:13:16 PM  
subbing. Good to see some kind of statement 😊

grubles  
Re: A day in the life of a pirate.  
May 21, 2012, 09:30:00 PM  
+1 pirateat40

I'm not gribble!

imsaguy  
Re: A day in the life of a pirate.  
May 21, 2012, 09:37:13 PM  
Scammer and I have proof. I'm reporting you to the RIAA

pirateat40  
Re: A day in the life of a pirate.  
May 21, 2012, 09:37:40 PM  
Oh, one thing I forgot. Just more thanks, no more info. 😊
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Thanks,

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**wachtwoord**

Hero Member

Re: A day in the life of a pirate.

May 21, 2012, 09:47:44 PM

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The only good thing about this ever ending is that I'll find out what the hell it is. I might be able to replicate it in a different context .... 😊

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**pirateat40**

Avast Ye!

SCAMMER

Hero Member

Re: A day in the life of a pirate.

May 21, 2012, 09:54:23 PM

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Thanks for your polite and non-divulging question. 😊

BTC_Bear
VIP
Hero Member
Posts: 697

Re: A day in the life of a pirate.
May 21, 2012, 09:56:32 PM

Quote from: wachtwoord on May 21, 2012, 09:47:44 PM
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And that is the whole Frigging Point of why you don't disclose Business Models if others can't figure them out.

NOW, ask very nicely and he might sell Franchises... lol

5 Million Up front, 7.1% royalties. j/k

apetersson
Sr. Member
Posts: 291

Re: A day in the life of a pirate.
May 21, 2012, 09:57:19 PM

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SCAMMER
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May 21, 2012, 10:02:47 PM

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Blazr
Hero Member

Re: A day in the life of a pirate.
May 21, 2012, 10:04:56 PM

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Does both GPUMAX and BCS&T use the same method to make money?

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evoorhees
Hero Member

Re: A day in the life of a pirate.
May 21, 2012, 10:14:44 PM

#29

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You sell toothpicks???

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Re: A day in the life of a pirate.
May 21, 2012, 10:15:45 PM

Quote from: Blazr on May 21, 2012, 10:04:56 PM
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No, GPUMAX has it's own purchases and wallet. Like BTCS&T, there seems to be a lot of people that don't know how you can make money paying much higher rates on GPUMAX, but people are catching on and updates coming soon will make it even more popular.

On that note, the "Hot Wallet" for GPUMAX is emptied after payments come in and deposited into one of my operation wallets for security. In my opinion, coins are coins regardless of where they come from so before each payment batch is run on GPUMAX the coins are sent from an operating wallet to the payment wallet of GPUMAX. Accounting wise it's pretty easy to manage but not what I want for the public release. With all the recent hacks of popular sites, I want to make sure everything is perfect before I let "code" manage my wallets.

I hope this answers your question.

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publio
Jr. Member

Re: A day in the life of a pirate.
May 21, 2012, 10:57:21 PM

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Scott J
Sr. Member

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May 21, 2012, 11:00:22 PM

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Good question.

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BTC: 1ScotthjJpQTcBBdTqPa7Dyak5cfBPhtdh
Browser based Vanity Address Generator: http://nyhrn.net/bitcoin/vanityaddr/

Maged

Re: A day in the life of a pirate.
May 21, 2012, 11:02:53 PM

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 SCAMMER
 Hero Member
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Posts: 1146

"Yes I am a pirate, 200 years too late."

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rjk
 Hero Member

Posts: 5794

I have a good question. Could whatever you are doing bring increased awareness to Bitcoin, or is it somewhat confined within the existing community?

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pirateat40: Re: A day in the life of a pirate.
May 21, 2012, 11:18:53 PM
Quote from: Maged on May 21, 2012, 11:02:53 PM
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I'm a firm believer in "See it before you believe it." and don't expect anyone, regardless of who they are or what their status is to think any differently. All I ask is that when you finally understand what I stand for and what I'm trying to accomplish you honestly feel good about what you said and how you responded.

"Yes I am a pirate, 200 years too late." Only time will tell and until then find a comfortable spot on the fence.

splatster: Re: A day in the life of a pirate.
May 21, 2012, 11:21:36 PM
Quote from: Sukrim on May 21, 2012, 08:24:24 PM
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You also never denied to being full of, well you get the idea. A guess is not evidence, nor is it right for people to go running around saying things based on hunches.

organofcorti: Re: A day in the life of a pirate.
May 21, 2012, 11:24:29 PM
Can you tell us if your business venture is converting the bitcoin you borrow to fiat or not? I'd like to invest in a PPT type thing but I wouldn't like to invest in a business that uses btc only as a transport mechanism for fiat. I'll understand if you think this would give away too much about your business model.