

# **Internet Kiosk Terminals The Redux**

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- My colleagues at SA know me as "That Crazy Kiosk Guy"
  - "All I do is Hack Internet Kiosks"
  - Its my secret addiction.
- Whenever I see an Internet Kiosk, I have to hack it.
  - I cant stop myself.
  - I have a problem, its an addiction.

People in my life have told me that I have an

#### **Addictive Personality**

My obsession with Kiosk hacking began to have a negative effect on my life... Hacking Kiosks controlled me.

Paul, You just need a distraction"





#### The 8 Stages of Grief: #7 Acceptance

- "Someone has to be hacking these damn Kiosks, so why not you?"
- I am the only guy in the world with a Kiosk addiction.

#### Without my effort the vendors might win.

- I decided to take ownership of my passion
- Embrace my addiction
- "Ill just fucking hack all of them"
  - Every vendor, every product, every platform.
  - Yeah fuck it, why not.?
- One guy from NZ vs The Kiosk Software Industry







#### The Overview

- What is a Kiosk
- How Kiosk Security Works
- What is iKAT
- My Methodology and Approach
- iKAT v4 Whats New
- Demos, Demos, Demos
  - Hacking Kiosks with Paul
  - Live Demos



#### What is an Internet Kiosk?

- A machine that takes payment to let you surf the internet
- Typically an x86 desktop running Windows or Linux
- Found at hotels, motels, airports, libraries, lobbies, casinos...

They look like this:



## **How Kiosks Are Secured**



## Kiosk vendors take security seriously

- The majority of functionality in Kiosk software is security related
- A secure Kiosk is an expensive Kiosk
- Lock Downed, Secured, Hardened, Protected Environments

#### This is because hackers LOVE hacking Kiosks!

- Monitors and protects the operating system against manipulation by computer vandalism and hacking
- · Secures system drives, folders and files from unauthorized access
- · Protects the terminal against most viruses, trojans, and destructive scripts
- Allows access to programs and applications specifically authorized by the administrator
- · Deactivates undesired function keys and system critical key combinations
- · Restrict or prohibit the downloading of files from the Internet

#### User Access & System Security Management (PC lock-down)



SiteKiosk safeguards Windows computers as soon as it boots up agains maintenance-free operation of your computers 24/7. Our software locks d user account with limited user access rights. Users are prevented from a restrict user access to certain drives, folders, programs and URLs. System blocked and a software watchdog monitors your computers.

- Security
  - Privacy All user information, cookies and session information are removed as soon as the user session is over.
  - Ad-ware blocked: All pop-ups that are not authorized by the configuration are blocked.
  - Secure Internet access filters and trap unsecured scripts user may find on un-trusted websites
  - URL access control
    - captive (fixed URL)
    - white list/black list
    - script filtering
    - Boot Control and OS lock-down Users cannot access the underlying operating system or bios. All key combinations and menus are controlled.
  - File download blocking KINGnet kiosk prevents all file downloads
  - Keyboard filtering All key combinations and mouse right clicks are filtered so that users cannot jeopardize the kiosk integrity
  - Software watchdog
    - Monitors kiosk software
    - Expects a heartbeat signal
    - Performs soft-boot if no signal is received by the Software Watchdog

## **How Kiosks Are Secured**



## 1. User Interface Security

- Graphically jailed into a Kiosk interface
- Cut-down/reduced functionality desktop
- No way to get back to "Windows" or run explorer, cmd.exe

## 2. Activity Blacklist

- Everything you do is monitored and unlawful activity is blocked
- Configurable blacklists:
  - Windows displayed, Buttons clicked
  - Processes executed, API's called

#### 3. Locked-Down Host Environment

- Kiosk user has no rights, no privileges
- Cannot run binaries on the Kiosk







## Four things I have learnt about Kiosks

#### 1) Blacklists Just Don't Work

- The security industry knows this, why don't Kiosk vendors?
- Thousand different ways to do anything
- Kiosk blacklists are never able to stop EVERY method

#### 2) Websites Visited From A Kiosk Are Overlooked

- A remote website often has more access to the Kiosk than you.
- Kiosks rely on a default browser security policy (Typically Internet Explorer)

## 3) Browsers Implement 'Security By User Interaction'

- Browser technology will trust the person on the keyboard
- "Are you sure you want to run this?"





4) Physical Access Always Wins.
 Microsoft's Ten immutable laws of security.



Law #3: If a bad guy has unrestricted physical access to your computer, it's not your computer anymore

- Operating systems will trust the local user
- Kiosk software must go against the grain of design
- "It Only Takes One Instance"
  - Every instance of trusting the local user has to be blocked
  - It only takes one instance of trust to hack a Kiosk





#### Hacking Kiosks

- The great thing about hacking Kiosks is that its easy!
- Its like solving a puzzle or doing a Sudoku
- Our goal: Pop Shell (Spawn cmd, explorer, xterm)
- How could you run cmd.exe on Windows
  - If you only had Internet Explorer open
  - And no Task Bar ("Start")

- In a nut shell this is what Kiosk hacking is all about.
- Finding a way of escaping the Kiosk environment

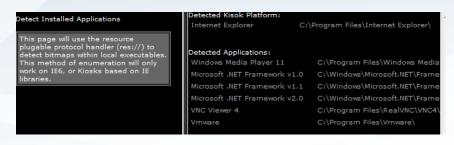
#### What is iKAT? – Interactive Kiosk Attack Tool

- iKAT is a SAAS website that you visit from a Kiosk
- One-Stop-Shop for escaping jailed browser environments
- Contains simple tools in one handy place
- First launched at Defcon 16, iKAT is now up to v4
- Defcon 19 iKAT Vengeance Edition
- iKAT has become the de facto standard for Kiosk hacking
- On average 25-30 Kiosks per day 'visit' iKAT
- During Defcon 18 my traffic stats increased ten fold!





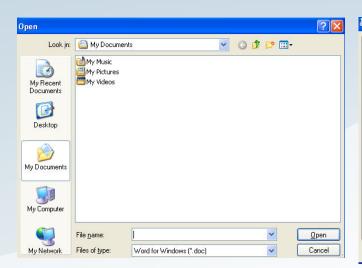
- My Approach for Hacking Kiosks:
  - This is how I break Kiosk software
- #1 Identify the platform and vendor software in use
  - Look for a logo or brand name associated with the Kiosk
  - Is the look and feel similar to Windows, or Linux?
  - Determining the platform allows for specific targeting
  - Find what applications are installed
  - iKAT : "Detect Installed Applications"

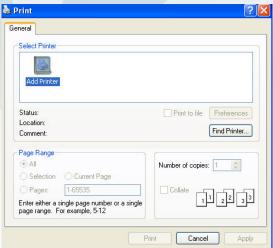


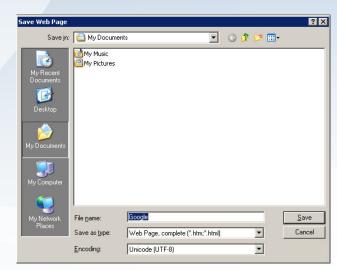


#### #2 – Enumerate All Available Windows

- Systematically click every button, window, link
  - Shift-Click, Ctrl-Click, Double Click, Right Click
  - Can you spawn a common Dialog?
    - File -> Open, File -> Save, File-> Print
  - Common Dialogs have Explorer controls
    - Browse to C:\Windows\system32, cmd.exe open...
  - Controls are also WebDAV Enabled (They can Download / Upload )









## #3 – Enumerate Registered File Handlers

- Any installed application can be used to escape a Kiosk
- Image Viewer, Media Player, PDF Reader
- Use an innocent file type to spawn a binary or escape the Kiosk
  - PDF File with /Launch cmd.exe
  - ASX With embedded web content
  - DOCX with embedded binaries
  - XLS with embedded VBA Macro's

- PHP PSD ICO
  PNG
  BMP URL
  HTML
  JPG GIF
- What file types will the Kiosk let us download
  - Direct file type "test.exe", "test.exe?.txt"
  - Content Disposition attachment download
  - Flash DownloadURL object



## #4 – Enumerate Registered URI Protocol Handlers

- Spawn an application from a URI handler
- mailto://. Callto://, hcp://, shell::, file://, mms://, ftp://
- Image Viewer, Media Player, PDF Reader
- Can we spawn one of these URI handlers
  - Does the handling application contains a common dialog?
  - Can we launch content from within the URI handler
- Does the Kiosk software support any internal URI handlers?
  - Admin://
  - Skconfig://



## #5 – Can I Install / Run My Own Browser Add-on

- ActiveX, Click Once(.NET), Java, SilverLight, Flash
- Java, ActiveX and ClickOnce can spawn processes.
- They can also create Common Dialogs
- iKAT v1 was full of browser add-ons.
- Vendors caught up quickly: "Trusted CA \*Signed\* Add-ons only"
- Signed Vs Unsigned Code: The \$500 Problem.
  - "Please donate to iKAT so I can buy a Code Signing Certificate"
  - iKAT now supports 100% signed code, from a trusted CA



- #6 Crash the Kiosk
  - The fastest way to escape a Kiosk jail is to crash it.
    - Emo-Kiosking: "Icut myself to release the pain"
    - Create an unhandled exception in the browser
  - Crash the browser back to the desktop
    - Flash, ActiveX, Java, JavaScript, VBScript, PDF files, HTML Rendering, Malformed Images

      Remember
    - Browsers just love to crash!



Unhandled exceptions are a huge security issue with Kiosks.



- #7 Win Shell Hacking
  - iKAT features tools to help you hack the Windows Shell environment.
  - Make Visible Use ShowWindow() to enable all hidden Windows
    - Anti Virus, Backup, Remote Admin, Kiosk Software often have hidden Windows that are set WS\_Visible False.
      - Debug Windows
      - Hidden Administrative Windows
      - Log messages

## **iKAT - What's New?**



#### When iKAT was first launched it had GREAT success

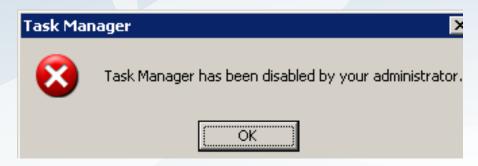
- "5 seconds, 50 shells."
- Then the vendors found out and fixed my attack vectors.
- Some vendors simply blocked ikat.ha.cked.net
- Other vendors used iKAT as a testing bed for their own security.

#### Cat and Mouse Game

- Every year I find new vulnerabilities in Kiosk products
- Every year the vendors fix the vulnerabilities I discover
- The following year it gets harder.
- Its getting much harder.. But I keep trying!
- Finding new features to add to iKAT also becomes harder

## Windows Group Policy + SRP Bypass

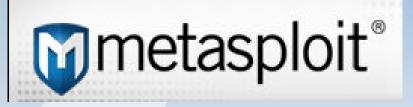
- Kiosk admins love to implement Windows group policy
  - "Command Prompt has been Disabled by your System administrator"
- iKAT V features an extensive collection of "Unlocked" Windows binaries
  - cscript, cmd, osk, regedit, explorer, control, taskmgr, sc, wscript, runonce, rasphone.
- Pre-patched Windows binaries which will not validate any local group policies
- Modified to bypass SRP + App Locker rules (hash, certificate, file name)





## iKAT has added MetaSploit Magic

- The iKAT server now hosts a dedicated Metasploit instance
- Serving download\_exec payloads which will run iKAT payloads
- Dedicated "AutoPwn" Server
- One Click Shells.



- Most Kiosks are shipping with unpatched browser libraries
- Kiosks themselves are not patched
- Metasploit Autopwn has a good rate of success.



#### File Reflection

- The iKAT server now services to help you compromise a Kiosk
- "Send me content from a Kiosk via File Upload and iKAT will analyse it for you"

- Windows Registry Files
- Web Based Hex Editor
- Cache Analyser





## Ok, enough talking

Lets hack some Kiosks.







#### Conclusions

- I am addicted to Kiosks
- Hacking Kiosks is easy, enjoyable and creative
- If you haven't done it before, try it.
- If one guy from NZ can do this, just think what you can do.
- Ideas, Comments? Please send me suggestions: Paul@ha.cked.net