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July Cyber Scam Update

Fortnite Gamers Targeted by Scams
Action Fraud has seen reports of fraudsters who are taking advantage of Fortnite gamers.

In most reports, the gamer has seen an advert on a social media channel which claims that by following a web link and entering some information, they will receive free Vbucks (currency for the game). Fraudsters will ask the victim for information about their account which will then allow them to log in and create fraudulent charges.

Fraudsters are also asking for people’s phone numbers in return for Vbucks to then sign the victim up to a premium rate subscription service, selling access to other people’s Fortnite accounts, and offering VBucks for free then actually charging for it.

TOP TIPS
- Always question requests for personal or financial information. The promise of 'free' vouchers or credits is a common tactic.
- If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is.

Lost/Stolen Passports Campaign
Her Majesty’s Passport Office and Action Fraud have teamed up to urge people to report their lost and stolen passports to prevent unrecovered and unreported documents from being abused and used to commit identity crime. On average people are waiting on average 73 days before making a report.

Once a passport is reported as lost or stolen, HM Passport Office cancel it, and share the information within 24 hours with the National Crime Agency.

TOP TIPS
- Report Lost Passports on the website here: https://www.gov.uk/report-a-lost-or-stolen-passport

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MONTHS TOP TIP:
Book Your Holiday’s Safely:
- Always use websites which have a green padlock and HTTPS within the address bar when paying for a holiday online.
- Verify a company is genuine by checking their ABTA/ATOL numbers on the ABTA or ATOL websites.
- When you are on holiday – DON’T post on social media that you are away (you might be letting potential criminals know your house is empty).

Fake Football Kit Scams
Councils across the UK are warning fans of the potential risk of inadvertently spending money on fake kits and memorabilia as fraudsters look to take advantage of the excitement around the World Cup.

TOP TIPS
- Check the item description carefully and ask the seller questions if you’re unsure of something.
- If something seems too good to be true, it probably is. Don’t be fooled into thinking you’re getting a great deal.