

Virus

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>-----Original Message-----

>Could someone help me.

>My virus protection Avast & Panda have both found viruses.

>Trojan horse Dropper.Exebundle.AH is found in file:

>F:\TempMove\TemporaryInternetFiles\Content.IE5
>\OPQRSTUVWXYZ\meanies1[1].exe

>To remove this virus, please run AVG for Windows.

>AVG was giving me problems trying to get rid of it so I deleted it and ran

>Panda & Avast and they say it is in my memory and to scan boot.

>It wont go away. I erase the temp files but I cant erase the folder because

>windows needs it? Is there no way to put it in another drive?

>Any ideas how to get rid of this before it goes to far.

>Thanks Bruce

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I would like to say that I've been using AVAST Anti-Virus since April of 2004, after running AVG for around a year or so, then all of a sudden I noticed that AVG stopped scanning my e-mail for viruses.

I found out, by searching around, that I actually needed to go to a website and download some file, which, after downloading, placed an extra tab on the AVG control center screen...I think the name on the tab was Mail Proxy, or something like that...Anyway, I was once again able to scan e-mail for viruses after downloading that "extra" file and after using the Mail Proxy tab to set settings again.

I had switched over to AVAST, after I discovered AVG wasn't virus-scanning my e-mail any longer, without any warning that it wasn't scanning my e-mail for viruses, but once I downloaded that extra file and got the virus-scanning to work again, I started using both virus programs.

I used AVG, because it scanned the Boot sector for viruses in DOS Mode, before Windows even loaded, and I used AVAST to scan e-mail and the entire system once my computer was up and running.

I was trying to decide which program to use, AVG or AVAST, so I kept using both, but once I upgraded from WIN98SE to WIN-XP, the computer "told" me that I couldn't run two virus programs, so I got rid of the AVG program because since there was no "warning" that my system was no longer being virus-scanned, I felt that the AVG program was unreliable.

I've been using the AVAST program ever since.

However, I just noticed today that the AVAST program isn't starting up like it should, and attempting to "manually" start it causes me to see a pop-up message telling me that I need a valid license key for the program.

Again, no warning that my system wasn't being virus-scanned, so I am going to get rid of AVAST also.

I used to really like these two programs, but I now think that they're unreliable and that they stink or suck.

I think that I saw a message today that says that since I'm a broadband customer of my ISP, that my ISP is offering a "free" virus program, so I may try that, but otherwise, if it doesn't stay "free" either, and/or is as unreliable as the AVAST and AVG programs became, I guess that I'll need to go without a virus program because I can barely afford Internet access, let alone pay for anti-virus also.

Anyway, good luck to those people using either "free" versions, AVG or AVAST, and if I remember correctly, in both programs there's a setting that you may need to set, in order for either program to scan the Boot sector, but I may be mistaken as it's been a while since I had started using either program.

The Boot-Sector virus scan of AVG may have been the "default" setting, but I think in the AVAST program that you need to take a look at the settings, as I think that I had to "tell" the AVAST program to scan the Boot Sector.

Anyway, these two programs, not giving me any warning, notification or indication that they weren't either loaded or virus-scanning my system has me upset !

I'm going to be removing both anti-virus programs.

All I can say is that watch these two anti-virus programs, both AVG and AVAST, because if they "act" the same way on your system as they did on mine, they'll "all of a sudden" stop "doing their job" without letting you know in any way, shape or form that they've stopped protecting your system !

I can only pass on to you my "experiences" with these "free" programs, and they've chosen the wrong person to "double-cross," or whatever term you want to use as I "will" pass the word along and won't just let it happen to me and won't let it go by as I fight for what I believe in, I fight for what I believe is right and against what I believe is wrong.

I think what a guy has to do is just go out and get a "paid" anti-virus program, and not use these "free" versions, but even the "paid" versions should be watched on too as I'm getting to not trust anyone anymore.

Have a Great Day,
BernieLJ