Subject: Re: Serves him right.
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R315r4z0r wrote on Tue, 23 March 2010 04:54

I'm talking about the people who take cheaters so incredibly seriously that they fail to grasp the reality that it's merely a game they are playing.

Now, being "insane" doesn't necessarily mean they are bad people. But it does mean that they have an unhealthy perspective on something that is meant to be a leisurely activity.

So if it would have been some member of the Valve staff (Counter-Strike lead producer, whatever?) who stabbed the cheater, it would be ok? To him, counterstrike is not a leisure activity, it's his core business. I do not think it is at all important whether it is a leisure activity in a virtual world or a business activity in the real world. Violence is just wrong.

I really hate this "just a game" argument though; to you, the game may be just a game, but others may make money out of it or put a lot of time and effort in playing, supporting or improving it, making it something more to them. Compare it to art for example. Some people attach a lot of value to it, I personally would not want to own most of it even if it was given to me for free. That does not mean that I am going to say to an artist showing his work "hey, it's just art!". Imo, that would be rather disrespectful. I think saying "it's just a game" about anyone who attaches value to games is pretty much the same thing.

I do agree with you though; knifing someone is pretty insane, regardless of how seriously people take the game. Regardless of what their reason is, actually.