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Subject: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [dead6re](#) on Mon, 06 Feb 2006 16:46:13 GMT  
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You have a chance in participate in this open beta, to find out more click here:  
<http://www.microsoft.com/windows/IE/ie7/ie7betaredirect.msp>

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [Apache](#) on Mon, 06 Feb 2006 18:19:54 GMT  
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I'll never touch IE ever again!

Mozilla is where it's at! Far safer!

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [Aircraftkiller](#) on Mon, 06 Feb 2006 19:47:40 GMT  
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[http://www.theregister.co.uk/2005/05/09/firefox\\_0day\\_exploit/](http://www.theregister.co.uk/2005/05/09/firefox_0day_exploit/)

[http://www.edbott.com/weblog/archives/cat\\_firefox.html](http://www.edbott.com/weblog/archives/cat_firefox.html)

<http://www.geek.com/news/geeknews/2004Aug/gee20040802026304.htm>

<http://secunia.com/advisories/18700/>

Yes, obviously, it's soooooo much safer than Internet Explorer.

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [Ma1kel](#) on Mon, 06 Feb 2006 19:56:04 GMT  
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Ofcourse, a browser created by a very succesfull company that is supplied with their popular (more then 90% use it) Windows is WAY safier then a browser that is worldwide only 10% used. And ofcourse don't forget that Microsoft only releases 1 patch for Windows a month.

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [Aircraftkiller](#) on Mon, 06 Feb 2006 20:17:44 GMT  
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That doesn't mean Firetrash is safer than IE. In many cases, it's not and fails to deliver on its promise of "safer browsing" due to the massive amount of morons that hawk that statement every day.

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [Ma1kel](#) on Mon, 06 Feb 2006 20:28:28 GMT  
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I'm pretty sure that the average virus maker would, if they create evil code that needs or uses a browser, choose IE simply because of the fact that it's Windows default browser. Yes, there are glitches and bugs in Firefox, but anyone actually wanting to exploit glitches or bugs would prefer to find these glitches in IE then in FF, simply because there are more users of IE. When FF gets more popular there will be more glitches, bugs and viruses for it. But that's logical.

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [Aircraftkiller](#) on Mon, 06 Feb 2006 20:35:26 GMT  
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I think you don't give them enough credit: Almost anyone who gets into making exploits does it to piss people off. The best way to do that is to target things that are used quite a bit. Firetrash has already passed that stage and it's proven how vulnerable it really is. If I were able to program things, and wanted to make some exploit for browsers, I'd pick Firetrash simply because of how many advertisements for it say this:

It's complete arrogance and anyone who's ever paid any attention to Secunia or any other advisory sites would know that Firetrash development is full of shit, and you're being shoveled it by the truckload.

The only thing I can agree with in "The browser you can trust" is how they left out the important part: "The browser you can trust to be just as vulnerable as Internet Explorer."

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [xptek](#) on Mon, 06 Feb 2006 20:46:31 GMT  
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Most Firefox exploits are fixed in the latest CVS.

Let's not forget:

<http://secunia.com/advisories/15781/>  
<http://secunia.com/advisories/17963/>  
<http://secunia.com/advisories/16907/>  
<http://secunia.com/advisories/17571/>

<http://secunia.com/advisories/17437/>  
<http://secunia.com/advisories/16645/>  
<http://secunia.com/advisories/15756/>  
<http://secunia.com/advisories/15870/>  
<http://secunia.com/advisories/15488/>  
<http://secunia.com/advisories/15008/>  
<http://secunia.com/advisories/15411/>

Let's not forget, Firefox is open source, so we KNOW there's nothing malicious in the source.  
Can't say the same for Opera.

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [Aircraftkiller](#) on Mon, 06 Feb 2006 20:50:04 GMT  
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Only one is unpatched and that one is the lowest possible security rating. However, thanks for pointing those out to show how efficient Opera Software is in keeping up to date with security issues with their software suite.

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [xptek](#) on Mon, 06 Feb 2006 20:50:55 GMT  
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Good thing any Firefox exploits are patched in the nightly build as well!

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [Ma1kel](#) on Mon, 06 Feb 2006 20:51:50 GMT  
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I need to agree about the FireFox logo, you're right about that.

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [ADM](#) on Mon, 06 Feb 2006 21:14:53 GMT  
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Aircraftkiller, remember me?

Anyway just thought I'd say that it's impossible to have a 'perfect' application due to the nature of today's high level language environment. Once a software developer adds a GUI and multiple thread accessing to a web browser, it's extremely easy with someone with the knowledge to exploit something, due to the fact the software is dependent on other issues (such as communicating with the OS or drivers).

There is nothing developers can REALLY do against this, although some may be bad programming aspects, the majority of flaws cannot actually truly be fixed - only engineered to be avoided. Thankfully hardware is so sophisticated that such flaws are barely noticeable.

So when everyone mentions bugs as if the developer is notoriously bad, they should consider the above. Especially considering the fact this software is open-source to a large online community of people who just love to engineer havoc and abuse exploits.

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [Aircraftkiller](#) on Mon, 06 Feb 2006 21:16:45 GMT  
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Which is why an open source browser is a bad idea.

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [xptek](#) on Mon, 06 Feb 2006 21:19:49 GMT  
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Why? The same thing is going to be exploited eventually in a closed source enviroment with only one developer to patch it.

At least with a open source, it's fixed within an hour or two.

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [TD](#) on Mon, 06 Feb 2006 21:22:40 GMT  
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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [ADM](#) on Mon, 06 Feb 2006 21:24:10 GMT  
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TD wrote on Mon, 06 February 2006 16:22 Fireshit sucks, I have to agree with ACK. It's NOT invulnerable. Also, it uses more memory than IE.

No software available is invulnerable.

Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [TD](#) on Mon, 06 Feb 2006 21:26:47 GMT  
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Many people get to see ads that make it look superior and stuff. They are downloading it thinking it's invulnerable. Then they spread what they heard. And then they download it thinking it's goog, and ... etc.... that's how FireThing probably got populair.

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [Aircraftkiller](#) on Mon, 06 Feb 2006 21:30:11 GMT  
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Deceptive advertisements usually produce effects like that. If IE was still separate from Microsoft at this point I guarantee you'd see something like that so that Firetrash would have some competition in that area. But, as we all know, Microsoft doesn't need to use Internet Explorer advertisements that say "the browser you can trust (to have as many exploits)" because every Windows user has it already.

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [Aprime](#) on Mon, 06 Feb 2006 21:34:49 GMT  
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(EDIT) Addressed to TD:

No shit it isn't, nothing is. Switching from IE to "Fireshit" as you call it was easy for me as the setup is similar in many ways and tab browsing, which I'm not a very big fan of isn't as annoying as it is on other browsers such as Oprah, I already tried switching to Oprah Winfrey 8.0 twice and both attempts failed miserably. The damn thing's just unattractive and doesn't fit my needs.

Bottom line is: use whatever suits you best.

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [YSLMuffins](#) on Mon, 06 Feb 2006 22:07:54 GMT  
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Ewww, Vista.

What is IE7 supposed to do differently?

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [Nukelt15](#) on Mon, 06 Feb 2006 22:14:27 GMT  
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I'm running Opera just to try it out right now...it's different, but I think I like it. I will say that there is one MAJOR DIFFERENCE which nets Opera some major points in my book- it displays every image on every site I've visited with it. I cannot say the same for Firefox. I'm glad Opera went ad-free for their free version; that's the change that got me thinking about it.

But hey, it never hurts to have multiple browsers. I'll never touch IE again though, except for Windows Update and the like. Too many nasty experiences with that steaming pile of shit.

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [rm5248](#) on Mon, 06 Feb 2006 22:22:53 GMT  
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I prefer Opera over Firefox for several reasons.

1. I don't want to click some random key combination to open a new window. I like having the button.
2. I can close tabs without opening them.
3. New pages are opened in the same window, not in different ones like Firefox generally does.
4. AFAIK you can get similar extensions with Opera as with Firefox. (I just got an adblock for Opera... WOW it's so nice to have no ads!)

But yeah, whatever floats your boat.

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [Dan](#) on Mon, 06 Feb 2006 22:52:35 GMT  
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I used Opera for a few months a while ago. I'm back to Firefox now though, because Firefox suits MY needs more, and Opera had more apparent bugs to me than Firefox does. The most noticeable was a random crash every now and then... Don't get me wrong, they're both good browsers, but I stick with Firefox because it suits my needs more, if I need any extra functionality, there's bound to be an extension out there somewhere! I prefer the tabbed browsing in Opera slightly more than I do in Firefox, but either way they both do the same job to me in the end!

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [Aircraftkiller](#) on Mon, 06 Feb 2006 23:16:10 GMT  
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"I'd rather have something that suits my needs by forcing me to look through obscure websites that may or may not be trustworthy, so I can have an 'extension' to a program that was very limited upon release!"

"Firefox does more for me by doing less than Internet Explorer does!"

"I LIKE SHIT" is how that's summed up...

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Posted by [Aprime](#) on Mon, 06 Feb 2006 23:35:53 GMT  
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1. Is this personally affecting you? I don't think so.
2. So what if we're scats?
3. Doing more isn't always better.
4. Silence woman.

EDIT: I need to stop editing my shit.

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [Dr. Lithius](#) on Tue, 07 Feb 2006 00:08:21 GMT  
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I'd participate in this BETA run, but I sort of have a bootlegged copy of Windows XP.(Meanwhile, Service Pack 2 came from a legitimate CD. Go figure!) I'm pretty sure Microsoft would hold that against me.

In any case, the only things I have ever seen wrong with Internet Explorer are the fact it doesn't seem to properly support XML(?) StyleSheets and can't properly transparent PNG image files. Anything else...and I put emphasis on this for all you Firefox kiddies out there...does not bother me or I have not run across. Hell, even deviantART works fine in Internet Explorer under Windows XP.(Meanwhile, under Windows 98, it would freeze the browser 100% of the time.)

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [Ryan3k](#) on Tue, 07 Feb 2006 01:30:13 GMT  
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I would just like to say that Firefox is a complete piece of garbage; it slows down my fucking computer randomly when I'm browsing, regularly deletes my bookmarks, and locks up after I finish downloading something.

No, my computer is not infected with a virus or spyware.

Fuck you, Mozilla.

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [Canadacdn](#) on Tue, 07 Feb 2006 02:26:47 GMT

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Well, IE7 basically copies Firefox's layout and some features. But I really hate where they put the menu.

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [Aircraftkiller](#) on Tue, 07 Feb 2006 03:02:10 GMT  
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Firetrash copied Opera's layout. What's your point?

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [DreamWraith](#) on Tue, 07 Feb 2006 03:40:27 GMT  
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Aircraftkiller wrote on Mon, 06 February 2006 22:02: Firetrash copied Opera's layout. What's your point?

Firefox, and it's layout is based on mozilla. Mozilla is based on netscape. Netscape existed before Opera was even thought of.

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [Renx](#) on Tue, 07 Feb 2006 04:10:04 GMT  
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Opera has been around since like 1993 or '94. Probably around the same time Netscape came out, or a little later.

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [Aircraftkiller](#) on Tue, 07 Feb 2006 04:20:52 GMT  
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History

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Netscape Navigator 4.08 under Windows  
Main article: Netscape Navigator

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [Canadacdn](#) on Tue, 07 Feb 2006 04:37:50 GMT  
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Aircraftkiller wrote on Mon, 06 February 2006 21:02: Firetrash copied Opera's layout. What's your point?

No point, I'm not some Firefox nazi. I'm just saying what I think of the browser.

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [icedog90](#) on Tue, 07 Feb 2006 05:20:50 GMT  
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God, these Firefox/Opera bashing or versus threads always come in and they don't get anywhere.

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [bigjoe14](#) on Tue, 07 Feb 2006 05:22:17 GMT  
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You mean like most other threads posted here?

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Aircraftkiller wrote on Mon, 06 February 2006 20:20: History

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So you have pointed out that both had similar history's in that they were actively being developed before release (go figure) and that, indeed, netscape was released publicly before opera.

Thanks for backing up my point.

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [icedog90](#) on Tue, 07 Feb 2006 05:24:47 GMT  
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bigejoe14 wrote on Mon, 06 February 2006 21:22 You mean like most other threads posted here?

Yes.

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [light](#) on Tue, 07 Feb 2006 05:47:19 GMT  
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icedog90 wrote on Tue, 07 February 2006 18:20 God, these Firefox/Opera bashing or versus threads always come in and they don't get anywhere.

What do you expect? Take Fanboy Group A vs Fanboy Group B

Neither will admit the opposition is correct, because they already know deep down that they are

right, so the only possible outcome is for the other group to back down and admit defeat.

Looks like an infinite loop to me.

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [emperorz0](#) on Tue, 07 Feb 2006 06:13:19 GMT  
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I have been using Opera some time now and I am have been very pleased to it. One of my friends said that he would go also Opera, because he got some strange virus, when he used Firefox. The virus or something like that messed mouse pointer and it was totally out of control. He reinstalled windows, because he couldnt solve the mouse pointer problem. Now he wont touch Firefox anymore.

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [Aircraftkiller](#) on Tue, 07 Feb 2006 07:08:13 GMT  
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Ah yes i suppose you are right. I was thinking one thing and wrote another. My apologies then.

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [pyroacidk](#) on Wed, 08 Feb 2006 14:03:01 GMT  
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I use firefox, I have never had a problem with it at all.

Yes it will have exploits written for it, but what doesn't.

AT LEAST ACTIVEX IS DISABLED BY DEFAULT, Where Microsoft has only started doing that since SP2.

The best thing about firefox is that it is multiplatform.

Beuase IE only goes to version 5.2.3 on Macintosh OSX.

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [Oblivion165](#) on Wed, 08 Feb 2006 14:59:16 GMT  
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Its like having a lock and there isnt a cover over the tumblers.

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [ADM](#) on Wed, 08 Feb 2006 17:45:55 GMT  
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Oblivion165 wrote on Wed, 08 February 2006 09:59An open source browser is the worst idea ever, it just allows them to know exactly what to code around.

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It's not the worst idea ever, it boosts community support amongst programmers and developers, allowing for hundreds of plug-ins to be created. It also generates media interest and expands the product's lifecycle.

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [xptek](#) on Wed, 08 Feb 2006 20:19:57 GMT  
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Then again, any exploits found can be fixed within minutes, and you don't need to rely on the maintainers of the closed-source project to fix it.

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [light](#) on Thu, 09 Feb 2006 08:38:16 GMT  
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Microsoft Internet Explorer 6.x with all vendor patches installed and all vendor workarounds applied, is currently affected by one or more Secunia advisories rated Highly critical  
<http://secunia.com/product/11/>

Mozilla Firefox 1.x with all vendor patches installed and all vendor workarounds applied, is currently affected by one or more Secunia advisories rated Less critical  
<http://secunia.com/product/4227/>

Opera 8.x with all vendor patches installed and all vendor workarounds applied, is currently affected by one or more Secunia advisories rated Not critical  
<http://secunia.com/product/4932/>

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [Aircraftkiller](#) on Thu, 09 Feb 2006 09:18:32 GMT  
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Quote:The best thing about firefox is that it is multiplatform.

So what? Opera has been "multiplatform" for years now.

<http://www.opera.com/products/desktop/>

It works on Windows, Macintosh, Linux, FreeBSD, Solaris, OS/2, QNX... Plus the cellular phone versions, Opera Mobile and Opera Mini.

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You can take a snapshot at any one time and get different results.

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [Nukelt15](#) on Thu, 09 Feb 2006 16:51:44 GMT  
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Quote:It works on Windows, Macintosh, Linux, FreeBSD, Solaris, OS/2, QNX... Plus the cellular phone versions, Opera Mobile and Opera Mini.

Any idea if the cellphone versions would also work with the various versions of Windows for handheld computers? I've been looking for something to replace IE on my Axim, but wasn't sure from the description that Opera Mobile would work...

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Subject: Re: OT: Internet Explorer 7 Beta!  
Posted by [terminator 101](#) on Thu, 09 Feb 2006 20:26:16 GMT  
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Everyone is talking about Firefox, Opera, and IE, but no one said how is Netscape safe. I really would like to know.

On my old computer I used IE until it stopped working, so I tried Netscape, and other than large memory usage, it works O.K. Then I tried Firefox, and it worked good (most of the time), except when I tried to download something from the web, it would search the floppy drive first , so I inserted a floppy disk, and after I did this several times, it no longer searched for floppy.

I had one more problem. Firefox sometimes would not detect my Internet connection, so I had to run Netscape in order to browse the Internet, so I stopped using Firefox.

So, how safe is Netscape?

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