

Re: Forgotten password...

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So, anyone for \$19.95 can find out all details of any OE account. That's good coming from an MVP Carey!!!!

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Please reply to the News Groups

"Carey Frisch [MVP]" <cnfrisch@nospamgmail.com> wrote in message news:OnYI17pmEHA.1904@TK2MSFTNGP09.phx.gbl...

> Outlook Express Password Revealer is a program that helps the user to display

> server names, user logins and passwords for all the e-mail and newsgroups accounts

> stored by Outlook Express as well as identity passwords.

> http://www.rixler.com/outlook_express_password_revealer.htm

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> Note: You'll need to fork over \$19.95 for a license.

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> Carey Frisch

> Microsoft MVP

> Windows XP - Shell/User

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> Be Smart! Protect Your PC!

> <http://www.microsoft.com/athome/security/protect/default.aspx>

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> "Howard Woodard" wrote:

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> | I am trying to figure out a way to access the passwords stored on my computer.

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> | I've had a Mindspring (now Earthlink) account for just over 6 years.

> | I've

> | accessed it with OE all that time and the password was "remembered". My

> | young daughter was fooling around with the computer recently and typed

> | into

> | the logon password field and changed it.

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> | Not having a clue what I might have set it as over 6 years ago, I called

> | mindspring to get the password reset. They asked for my password in

> | order

> | to confirm who I was which obviously I didn't have. Then they asked for

> | a 4

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> | digit PIN that they gave me when I signed up for the account. Not a
> clue.
> | They said that the hint was birthday so I tried all combinations of my,
> my
> | wife's, and each of my two daughter' birthdays. Nothing.
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> | Then I asked if I could close the account and they said sure, just give
> them
> | either the password or PIN so they could confirm that I owned the
> account.
> | Then I called the billing folks. They closed the account without asking
> for
> | anything other than the billing account number.
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> | Then I called to open a new account. I asked if I could use my old
> | mindspring address. They said sure, just give them the password or PIN
> and
> | they would reactivate that account. I explained the situation and said
> that
> | I didn't want to reactivate the old account. I wanted a new account and
> I
> | wanted to use my old e-mail address. They said that user ids cannot be
> | reassigned, even after the account has been closed.
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> | I understand and appreciate their commitment to securing my account and
> | related information. However, this is the mobius loop from hell.
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> | Does anyone know if there any way that I can access the passwords that I
> | have stored on my computer?
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> | Howard
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