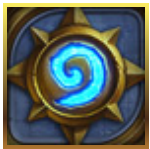


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How Blizzard Can Help in the "MagicAmy" Fiasco

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Posts: 1,388

#1

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Obviously if you follow the Professional Hearthstone scene you know about the "MagicAmy" drama.

However I am writing this post as an official request for Blizzard **TO INVESTIGATE POSSIBLE CHEATING AFFECTING BOTH THE 2014 AND THE 2015 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP**

The 2015 World Championship rules clearly state in SECTION 6 SUBSECTIONS :

a.) **Actions to intentionally alter or attempt to alter the results of any match**, including losing a match with another player to advance one or the other's rank. If Sponsor determines that a player is **colluding** or match fixing, the player will be immediately disqualified and removed from the tournament and may be restricted from participating in future events and have all of their licenses to all Blizzard games revoked

c.) **Any incidence of Eligible Participants allowing individuals who are not the Eligible Participant to play on an Eligible Participant's Battle.net account** in any of Blizzard games

There was a recent match fixing scandal in CS:GO with the most popular and successful NA team iBuyPower being found guilty after Valve did detailed item transfer audits when accusations came to light. The stakes are not quite as high here, however the principle of the matter is the same; the parent company of the game needs to step in and do the necessary backoffice reviews to stamp out shady characters from the professional scene.

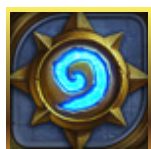
Blizzard needs to investigate the MagicAmy Battlenet account for "account sharing", specifically looking for non-Korean based IP addresses that have accessed this account. All non standard IPs that have accessed this account need to be correlated back to the owners of other Battlenet accounts. If any account sharing is found ALL of them need to be perm banned.

The statements from Celerity (who's friend Specialist has already been perm banned by Blizz for win trading) and JABlol clearly indicate they have specific knowledge (in Celerity's case he says he played on her account personally) that other professional players have played on the MagicAmy account. This is absolutely unacceptable at the upper Legend, and ESL Tournament levels of Hearthstone where World Championship points are being awarded.

BLIZZARD YOU HAVE THE OBLIGATION AND DUTY TO ENSURE YOUR PROFESSIONAL COMPETITIONS ARE LEGITIMATE AND FREE FROM DECEPTIVE PLAY. ON BEHALF OF ALL LEGITIMATE HEARTHSTONE PLAYERS (AND TOURNAMENT WATCHERS) I DEMAND YOU INVESTIGATE AND BAN ANY ACCOUNTS INVOLVED IN ACCOUNT SHARING IN THIS FIASCO.

Edited by Carthaginian on 2/18/2015 5:37 PM PST

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NiXDart

Posts: 1,768

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Should Blizzard send someone to Korea to find her, force her to play games at legend rank while watching for misplays?

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Posted by NiXDart

02/18/2015 05:48 PM

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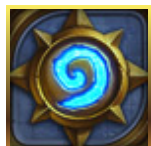
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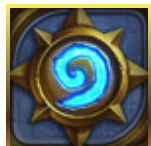
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You care way too much about card game drama.

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DeadlyKitten

Posts: 658

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Posted by **Tibs**

02/18/2015 06:52 PM

You care way too much about card game drama.

I am doubtful if many people really care if this game is rigged, who cheat, Magicamy is real, the 2015 "tournament" is a real one or just marketing scheme with predetermined outcome, etc...

The thing is if there is no drama, this game will be nothing but extremely boring Sisyphean grind. Drama keeps the price of popcorn up. Nom! Nom! Nom!

Edited by DeadlyKitten on 2/18/2015 7:03 PM PST

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Posts: 1,388

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Posted by **Tibs**

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"You care way too much about cheaters being banned from World Championship qualification."

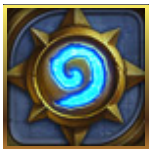
Fixed that for you, because I think that is what you meant to type.

And yeah, cheating is a pet peeve of mine. I like to see all cheaters banned from the scene when they are competing for \$100,000. Do I care about it too much? I would say I care about it just enough.

Be well friend :)

Edited by Carthaginian on 2/18/2015 7:04 PM PST

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Nyogtha

Posts: 1,288

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Posted by **NiXDart**

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This happened a ton back in vanilla WoW for people going for High Warlord. I actually lost out to it on the final week because of a group of people that were taking shifts on an account. You don't fix this.

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Buryit

Posts: 4,533

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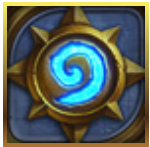
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So tell Blizzard through the proper channels instead of demanding things on open forums, how do you know they were not involved shedding light on this already? Use your head for something other than a place to grow hair.

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GreenTuque

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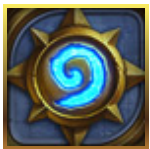
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Clearly the General Forums are the best place for this. I'm sure they will notice it and take immediate action. They will also certainly reward you for being such a defender of the hearthstone universe.
/salute

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TheDukester

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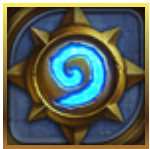
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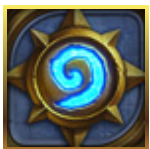
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(Best girlyman face) LEAVE MAGIC AMY ALONEEEEEEEEEEEEEEE!!!

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AznZeus
Posts: 196

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Posted by **Tibs**

02/18/2015 06:52 PM

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If you really want to watch some korean drama might I suggest viki.com?

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SpeedStick

Posts: 1,075

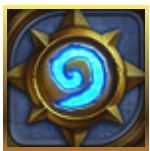
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Matos

Posts: 215

#16

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What i ve learned after my 20+ years of gaming is .. deal with Cheats is part of the Community gamers now. Blizz can t do anything and won t do anything, only thing they can do is making us beleiving their ban cheaters while in reality did they ?

That s bad i know but we re in 2015 and nothing being better since 1990 about cheats.

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Redoing

Posts: 4,885

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Posted by **SpeedStick**

02/19/2015 11:28 AM

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Ezekiel

Posts: 2,348

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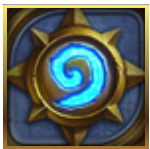
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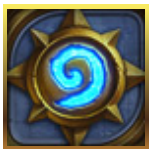
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one word:

proxies.

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I don't know, one of the biggest tournaments in the world is a Poker tournament, and pros get beat all the time on amateurs playing bad plays and just lucking out on a flop. You just have to accept that

there is some luck involved and enjoy it.

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