WordPress Demystified: Security for Your Peace of Mind – Hosting

Now I bet when you start thinking about security, you may be thinking about passwords or plugins maybe, but I'm going even further back than that. We're talking about your hosting. Yup, hosting.

So usually a web designer will either have their own hosting or they'll recommend some hosting to you. And seriously, I would go with their recommendations.

You may think, well, they're a bit too pricey for me, and when you're starting out, I know cost is definitely a factor, or when times are hard for that matter.

But the thing is, just because some of the hosting companies are well known doesn't actually mean they're any good. I know. It doesn't. There are even a couple I can think of that advertise on WordPress and I still wouldn't touch them with a barge pole.

The thing is with a good hosting company is, have you, have you ever had a set of drawers and you've overstuffed the top drawer, maybe with paperwork and paper starts sliding down the back and into the middle drawer if there's a set of 3?

Think about your web hosting like that, and each drawer is a different website. With a good hosting company, no matter what goes in the top drawer, it shouldn't end up in any of the other drawers. Every bit, every drawer is secure in its own right and standalone. On a bad hosting company, And I know I've had this happen with one particular client. She was on a very cheap hosting, and when her website got hacked, it wasn't because they knew her password.

It wasn't because she hadn't updated anything, because I was updating the stuff for her. No, it was because another website on the same hosting had got hacked, and that had come in a bit like that paper dropping down from the top drawer to another drawer. That's how they hacked into her website. Neither of us were happy bunnies that day.

So you really want good hosting that is going to be secure. Ask for recommendations. If you're in Australia with Australian clients, Prompt Web Hosting in Sydney or Venture IP,

they're 2 of the best ones going, and they're not just best for security, They're also the best because they actually have support and they can speak in English rather than geek. And no, I'm not affiliated with either of them. But you need good web hosting, it’s your first point of security for your website.