ESET® Case Study

Sheffield Wednesday FC

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THE CUSTOMER
Sheffield Wednesday Football Club (SWFC) is one of the oldest professional clubs in the world. SWFC home is at Hillsborough Stadium, which has been a host venue for both World Cup and European Championships. The club has a strong community program that, among other things, helps local residents in developing life skills. For that reason, SWFC has invested in computer equipment necessary for operating portable classrooms, alongside more permanent facilities.

THE CHALLENGE
When their previous antivirus supplier’s software became too cumbersome, Richard Ford, Head of IT at SWFC contacted Insight, a leading worldwide technology provider of hardware, software and service solutions, to discuss SWFC’s requirements. He wanted solution with easy set up and low maintenance. “Anti-malware protection is something you just want to set and forget,” says Richard. “In addition, we wanted to work with a vendor that was prepared to support our community program.”

THE SOLUTION
On Insight’s recommendation, SWFC trialed ESET Endpoint Antivirus and was struck immediately by its proactive protection against malware threats, along with low use of processing power and its ability to work quietly, but effectively in the background. “It doesn’t distract us, or users, with issues such as slowdowns or false positives and works exactly how all antivirus should do, quietly in the background”, says Richard. Using ESET Remote Administrator, the club can now manage the protection of its entire network from a single console. Furthermore, ESET offered the special education pricing for the computers used by SWFC’s Community Program, a gesture greatly appreciated by the club.

WHAT DOES SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY FC SAY?
“Anti-malware protection is something you just want to set and forget,” says Richard Ford, Head of IT at SWFC. “Automated updates ensure our machines are protected from the latest threats, which is essential to ensure business continuity. In addition, we wanted to work with a vendor that was prepared to support our community program.”

KEY BENEFITS
• Proactive protection against malware threats
• Easy set up and low maintenance
• Management of the entire network from a single console
• Special discount for a community program

Country: UK
Number of seats: 310
Product: ESET Endpoint Antivirus
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About ESET: ESET is a Slovakia-based IT security company founded in 1992 and headquartered in Bratislava. The company has a global presence, with regional distribution centers in San Diego, Buenos Aires and Singapore, and offices in Poland, Czech Republic, Germany, United Kingdom, Brazil, Australia and Canada.

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