

Telegram group chat logs, Jimmy Corsetti Incident

Below are all pertinent chat logs from the CosmicSummit23 Telegram group chat demonstrating why Jimmy 'Bright Insight' Corsetti was removed as a speaker. He accused Mike, CEO of HowTube, and by extension, Randall Carlson, Bradley Young, and George Howard of fraud multiple times, all stemming from his refusal to accept his advertisement in a YouTube video failed to produce a single livestream sale. When shown the data, definitively proving he did not make a single sale, instead of accepting this, he shifted to claiming the data must have been manipulated on a systemic level. Despite his repeated claims that he was not making these accusations, it is clear to anyone who reads this transcript that he was.

Lead up: Jahannah James and Marc Young had asked Mike from HowTube why they had not received funds through Stripe for Livestream sales.

Telegram handles have been replaced with people's names; all messages are otherwise unedited.

Mike HowTube – 4/6/2023 4:11AM ACST

Jahannah and Marc - Found the issue— And of course you're right, Jahannah. You are getting sales. We're capturing them, but the international interface is proving to be a tad stubborn again; it's simply not displaying them on your side. We'll get this fixed and update you and Marc with numbers and other pertinent information on the international channel we used for you guys before.

Jimmy Corsetti – 4/7/2023 2:36AM ACST – Jimmy raises the issue

Mike, this doesn't explain the absence of orders on my account, seeing as I am not international. Also, aren't payments supposed to occur in real-time via Stripe?

Is anyone else having issues with their orders?

I noticed several weeks ago that I had received a total of only 2 (two) affiliate orders. And those two orders were received prior to my December Atlantis video where I directly plugged the Summit/Livestream.

Despite that video garnering closer to 3M views at that time, I was shocked to see that I had received a total of zero orders from it. None.

I was of course concerned that an error had been made, so I contacted Mike.

I inquired on a number of things, including dates on total sales that had been made in the specific time-frame before/after my Atlantis vid. He later connected me with Shane, one of his Howtube associates.

Unfortunately, I did not receive an answer to all my questions, and felt we were going in circles.

The discrepancy has not been resolved, and I never received an explanation for the total absence of affiliate orders.

So, I ultimately closed my HowTube account in early February, and have not heard from anyone about it since.

What is going on?

George Howard – 4/7/2023 3:52AM ACST

Jimmy I am sorry for the problems and promise we will work this out to your satisfaction. Mike and I will discuss and respond more fully. We are happy to share any information we have on orders. Others seem to be working smoothly and I'm very sorry yours is not. Stay tuned...might be Monday upon return from Turkey.

Mike Howtube – 4/7/2023 5:17AM ACST

Well said, George, and for the record, to the group -> Domestic sales and functionality are all working at 100% capacity. NOTE: There's not a ton of Livestream sales just yet, which is totally on track with normal livestream purchasing behavior. We're approaching 350 sold in total so far. The majority of livestream sales usually come in about 30 days out, and they tend to spike again at two weeks out. FYI: We're targeting a minimum of 5,000 livestream tickets sold by or before CS23 kick off.

Jahannah James – 4/7/2023 5:24AM ACST

Could we see which way the 350 sales came in?

Is there a glitch at all on mine and jimmys link that somehow makes them come through the main website not our affiliate?

I haven't sold any it says, Jimmy will have sold wayyyyy more than me

George Howard – 4/7/2023 5:24AM ACST

But Mike why you think Jimmy sold less than others who have a smaller fan base you think? Are you certain there is no glitch in the systems?

Marc Young – 4/7/2023 5:26AM ACST

I find it hard to believe Jimmy only sold 2 from 3 million views when I sold at least 1 just by plugging it to my 700 twitter followers

George Howard – 4/7/2023 5:26AM ACST

I've seen sales ID you as affiliate though JJ. We will run ALL this down totally transparently. Just preoccupied now lol

Jimmy Corsetti – 4/7/2023 5:26AM ACST

No, I sold two prior to the video. And ZERO following

George Howard – 4/7/2023 5:27AM ACST

Mike please provide a record of every sale in a excel sheet and post here.

Marc Young – 4/7/2023 5:28AM ACST

That's even worse lol

So there's obviously something wrong and so to claim its working at 100% capacity isn't true

Jimmy Corsetti – 4/7/2023 5:29AM ACST

George, I appreciate the thoughtful response, and your assurance that this will get resolved.

However, I am not sure what exactly that entails? According to @howtubemike, I received a total of 0 (zero) livestream orders following my Atlantis video where I directly plugged the event and livestream.

What's additionally concerning is that Mike did not follow up with me in any capacity in the two months since I closed my account. Which surely he understands was related to my dissatisfaction over 10 days of going in circles with him over this, and a failure to answer all of the questions I asked.

I am also concerned that Mike never brought this to your attention.

Jimmy Corsetti – 4/7/2023 5:30AM ACST

>Jahannah James - Could we see which way the 350 sales came in?

I asked that previously, and unanswered.

It would also be great to see the specific dates of all orders.

My Atlantis video went up on December 18th.

George Howard – 4/7/2023 5:33AM ACST

You will see all the orders on the specific dates.

Mike HowTube – 4/7/2023 5:34AM ACST

>Jahannah James – is there a glitch at all on mine and jimmys link that somehow ma...

Jahannah - yes; we were able to verify the international glitch you reported Jahanna. We're capturing yours and fixing the interface so you can see. We've isolated that issue to the international side.

Regarding providing a spreadsheet of all orders, and where they came from. YES!

Marc Young – 4/7/2023 5:35AM ACST

I also recall being told the affiliate share would be sent through to stripe on a real-time basis, but I haven't received the proceeds from my 1 known sale.

Jimmy Corsetti – 4/7/2023 5:36AM ACST

>Mike HowTube – Regarding providing a spreadsheet...

What is the ETA of this data?

>Marc Young – I also recall being told the affiliate share would be sent through...

Excellent point, Marc. It's worth mentioning that I have not received payment for my 2 sales.

Mike HowTube – 4/7/2023 5:38AM ACST

Jimmy, We literally answered all of Jimmy questions and provided all numbers we had! I reported your complaint to Georg immediately. You didn't like what you saw Jimmy and stopped all communication. Shane and I reached out to you repeatedly and you ignored us.

So why you're stating otherwise publicly says a lot.

Jimmy Corsetti – 4/7/2023 5:42AM ACST

Mike, you did not answer all of my questions.

But more than anything, I *do not* believe that I received Zero orders in the days and weeks following my Atlantis video.

Go ahead and share the data for all to see.

And, where is payment for my alleged 2 orders?

Jahannah James – 4/7/2023 5:46AM ACST

If there's an influx of orders after the 18th then they most likely will be Jimmys

George Howard – 4/7/2023 5:49AM ACST

I just spoke to Mike.

Mike HowTube – 4/7/2023 5:52AM ACST

I will drop a report here with all data I have from sale 1 through to present. I said previously we're "approaching 350" sales total. The official number at the moment is 336. I'll drop the report here by or before noon tomorrow, pacific standard time.

Jahannah James – 4/7/2023 5:53AM ACST

Awesome thanks very much

Sounds good 👍 a clarification on how disbursement is supposed to work would also be appreciated

I'll look into my stripe but I haven't noticed any payments yet

Jimmy Corsetti – 4/7/2023 6:39AM ACST – Jimmy accuses HowTube of Fraud

Mike, to say that the two of you "reached out to me repeatedly", and that "I ignored you", is totally disingenuous.

I'll share receipts so everyone here can observe that our correspondence was not only repeatedly delayed, but included me having to ask the same exact questions multiple times over.

Our correspondence was left open ended - there was nothing necessary to respond to. And I didn't bother to since I felt my time had been wasted.

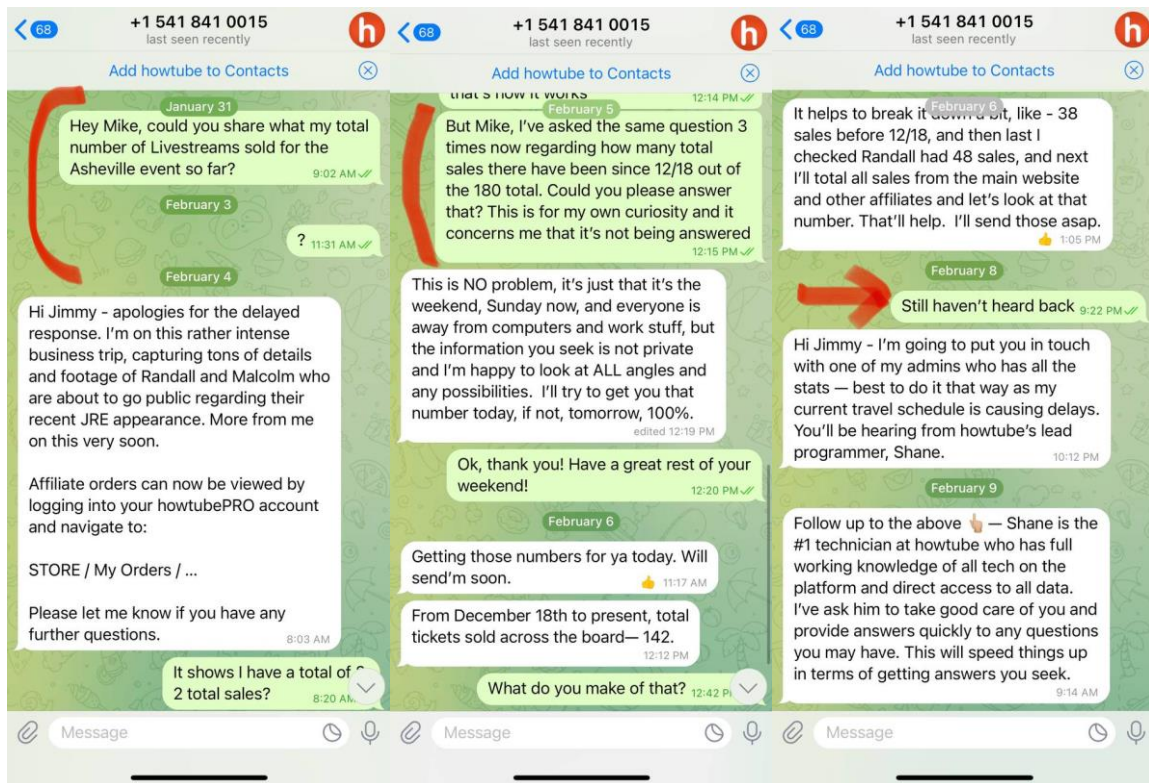
That said, I ultimately never received tally's for all sales made date-by-date, and to all affiliate accounts. Hopefully your pending report will include that information.

What I think happened is that HowTube collected those sales. If that's not true, prove otherwise.

Additionally, you glossed over the part where 3 people here told you they haven't been paid via Stripe...?

Lastly, this Telegram conversation isn't public.

Where things left off with Shane:



Mike HowTube: 4/7/2023 6:50AM ACST

Here's a look at how everything is tracked from the affiliate account side. See videoclip to follow, showing how everything is tracked by seller and commissions dispersed. We will cross reference this type of data with the main feed of all sales to pinpoint the origin of all sales.

<redacted, animated GIF containing sales data and personal information of ticket holders>

Mike HowTube: 4/8/2023 4:35AM ACST

Uploading a breakdown of the sales numbers here in just a few.

Mike HowTube: 4/8/2023 5:21AM ACST

Here is a simple look at the sales showing the breakdown between the total sales to date, the total sold through the main CS23 channel and the totals sold through affiliate channels. I've also included a note that I hope captures the issue and primary concern brought forth by Jimmy. Take a look:

<redacted, spreadsheet of all livestream sales data>

Jahannah James – 4/8/2023 5:44AM ACST

Yeah I think a large part of the 8000 page views would be post Jimmys big vid

Jimmy Corsetti – 4/8/2023 5:45AM ACST

Mike, please send the specific date-by-date sales metrics from 12/18 onwards as previously requested.

Also, I and others have not received payment for those credited sales via Stripe, which was supposed to be paid in real-time. When will payment be made on those sales?

Jimmy Corsetti – 4/8/2023 7:42AM ACST

As far as the spreadsheet question related to fair compensation, date-by-date sales data makes that calculation very simple. The difference between average daily sales in the weeks prior to my promo to those after is the only reliable way to provide a ballpark figure.

Jahannah James – 4/8/2023 7:44AM ACST

I imagine lots of people just Google cosmic summit when we talk about it and might not click affiliates

Jimmy Corsetti – 4/8/2023 8:10AM ACST

Sure, but let's keep this objective and data based. The raw data is the only starting point. You yourself asked yesterday for where the sales traffic had come from, and that was left unanswered.

Clearly Google searches do not explain the issue of Zero affiliated sales from my promo.

Jahannah James – 4/8/2023 9:41AM ACST

Yes if we could see the raw data as you see that will help get to bottom of the issue

Bradley Young – 4/8/2023 12:02PM ACST

Why so accusatory and angry Jimmy?

Let's talk about it and figure it out. No one, especially us teamed up with RC and George, is purposely trying to take anyone's income...

Bradley Young – 4/8/2023 12:57PM ACST

So I see your promo of the event is at 26 minutes of a 27 minute video (what are your analytics for views to the end?) Ours usually average out about one-third the length of the video - so the large majority of viewers never even saw your CS'23 event promo. Then any links were not in the description, since apparently you decided you were being cheated and removed them? As JJ suggested: many others will just search it, instead of locating a link buried within a list of a dozen others...

I don't get the confrontational attitude, as we're all supposed to be working to support each other, and together, bring forth "the truth"

Also Jimmy: Do you have metrics/analytics for other events that you're doing that have offered you an affiliate commission? Something that makes you believe you should get a certain percentage of sales:views???

Jimmy Corsetti – 4/8/2023 1:24PM ACST

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Lastly, I want to point out that I am only now bringing this to the attention of the group after seeing multiple other people voicing concerns over sales discrepancies.

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Bradley Young – 4/8/2023 1:45PM ACST

I'm not getting past your first statement- you have directly accused Mike at howtube of redirecting your sales and taking income from you.

Jimmy Corsetti – 4/8/2023 2:00PM ACST

Again, I haven't accused anyone of anything. And clearly I'm having a hard time getting passed unaddressed concerns related to unpaid transactions, and the lack of transparency involving potential sales issues among multiple members of the group.

I, and others have repeatedly asked for specific date-by-date sales data to help identify any potential existing issues. Yet, that remains unanswered.

Mike has personally shared that there was a substantial influx of sales following my promo, and also insisted that I received 0 sales from it. I'm questioning if that adds up correctly, and my inquiries have been met with resistance - why?

Let's let the data speak for itself with date-by-date sales metrics. If everything is on the up and up, there should be no problem sharing it.

*This post has been edited

Jahannah James – 4/8/2023 11:25PM ACST

My stripe hasn't recorded the sales.

Marc Young – 4/9/2023 1:10AM ACST

Sorry, but I have to say it. Both Jimmy and Mike are in the wrong here. I can empathise with Jimmy, I see a lot of myself in his reaction to this. He sat on it letting it stew and it spilled over in an emotional reaction. That said, these are the facts:

Jimmy, if the goal was to solve the issue, deleting your HowTube account in protest was not the right move. The way you have acted in this chat over the last couple of days is poor form. You are being disingenuous in claiming that you're not accusing Mike of anything, when you explicitly stated that "What I think happened is that HowTube collected those sales. If that's not true, prove otherwise". This is an accusation of, at the very least, dishonesty, and at worst, fraud. You may not have meant it to be so, but that's what it is. You have been in attack mode throughout this whole conversation, and treating it as if it's an argument on Twitter with a random troll, trying to 'win' when that's simply not the case, and won't lead to a productive outcome for anyone.

Brad is correct that placing the promo at the end of your long video is not the best way to make sure people see it and/or act on it by using your affiliate link. I do find it very odd that it apparently didn't produce a single sale, especially in 7 weeks, but It's also not impossible, based on a number of factors. Your video may well have produced sales in the time since you deleted your account, but we'll never know, because you made it impossible to know, so if you're expecting to have unattributed sales assigned to you and be paid for those, I don't see that as reasonable. If I recall correctly, Ben and Jahannah also did promos around the 18th, as did Randall.

Mike, you claimed that you answered any and all questions Jimmy had, in a timely manner, but he has produced receipts showing conclusively that you did not, and still have not. You have come across as evasive throughout this conversation, further fueling the doubts Jimmy and others including myself have. Despite at least 3 people asking a very clear and concise question, you have not even acknowledged the question, let alone answered it. This does not inspire confidence that you're being above board with everything here. Just answer the question about how the payments through stripe are supposed to work, and any other outstanding questions asked of you. I personally don't give a crap, As far as I know, i've only earned 15 dollars, and that's not going to be the difference between me eating or going hungry, but on the principle it is important to be transparent and above board with this, and I find it fishy that you're being evasive about it.

Jahannah is also correct that a decent number of people are more likely to google the event rather than using an affiliate link, so since it's still early in the process in terms of livestream sales, I would like to see a referral box added to the generic sales form (that makes the buyer unable to complete the transaction without ticking) asking people where they heard about the event from, including the cosmic summit social media pages, and a method of automatically applying that person's affiliate link to the sale. If we're approaching 350 sales, and expecting >5000, let's get this sorted early on so that we can move forward with confidence that everyone is receiving appropriate attribution for all sales.

I understand that money makes the world go around, that I'm a relative nobody both in terms of name recognition and financial means, and that different people are in this business for different reasons, but when all is said and done, I'm not a fan of arguing over money when the goal of this conference is to disseminate the truth about our history on this planet, to speak truth to power, counter the dark forces that seek to keep us blind to those truths, and bring about a thought revolution, freeing the human mind and spirit from the shackles placed upon us by academia.

We are all adults, and I'd like to think we all have at least that goal in common, so let's agree that neither party has handled this well, move forward with respect and transparency, get these issues worked out maturely and quickly, to everyone's satisfaction, and put on the best damn show we can in June.

It's unfortunate this conversation had to take place while many in this group are trying to enjoy their tour of the most important archaeological site ever discovered, so there can't be more input from people whose voices matter. I have full confidence we can resolve this when everyone is able to give it their full attention. However, it is important to get this resolved.

Jimmy, George is a big fan of yours, and you can rest assured that he will take care of you. Just have some patience and we'll get it all sorted out. In the meantime, unless you plan on going scorched earth and pulling out of the conference, the first step to resolving this will be remaking your HowTube account, getting your affiliate link up and running again, making a standalone video on your channel advertising the conference, and plugging it on your social media pages. I don't think Mike is skimming off the top, or misattributing sales, but I do know for a fact there's no way for you to earn any commission without an affiliate link.

Mike HowTube – 4/9/2023 1:19AM ACST

UPDATE ON INTERNATIONAL: The issues identified for the two international accounts have been verified, meaning we can see the fixes needing to be done on our end, and they will be done by end of day Monday.

The good news here is that your sales and commissions are being recorded on this end and will show up for you in both your howtube account and Stripe, so there is no loss involved.

I will drop more pertinent information here as we go to keep everyone informed.

Jimmy Corsetti – 4/9/2023 2:21AM ACST

@howtubeMike will you, or will you not be sharing the date-by-date sales metrics?

When can I expect to receive payment for my two orders?

Mike HowTube – 4/9/2023 3:12AM ACST

Jimmy - we're preparing a line-item breakdown of every sale shown in the summary provided above. We have to remove private, customer information from the report to ensure that the personal and confidential customer data remains secure, so it takes a little time. I'll post that here on Monday (Tuesday morning at the latest) with the other updates I referenced above.

Jimmy Corsetti – 4/9/2023 3:32AM ACST

Mike, I appreciate you working on getting that information together. And thank you for helping to get the payment of those sales resolved.

The corresponding email address is: <redacted>

Bradley Young – 4/9/2023 12:47PM ACST

Thanks @MarcYoung90 for the level review, assessment, and recommendations. 🙌 🙊

George Howard – 4/11/2023 10:47AM ACST

Folks, I have what I believe is the definitive data in hand. Jimmy and I will be speaking and reviewing tomorrow and then I will share more widely. Thanks.

Jimmy Corsetti – 4/11/2023 11:25AM ACST

George or Mike, please send it to me now so I have equal time review it and gather my thoughts.

Jimmy Corsetti – 4/11/2023 1:07PM ACST – Data proves Jimmy wrong, moves goalposts

George, you're breaking my heart.

None of what was shared provides the pertinent info on why I received 0 sales orders from the day of my video release on 12/17 onwards.

The only data shared for date-by-date sales is an excel spreadsheet??

I, or anyone could literally make any spreadsheet saying anything.

And what it does show is even more concerning.

Where is a screenshot of SALES from HowTube analytics dashboard?

The only screenshots that were share from HowTube Analytics are graphs of "Pageviews" ??

This is entirely unacceptable.

Jimmy Corsetti – 4/11/2023 1:44PM ACST – Refusal to accept reality

George you previously shared that the “Biggest day ever” related to the \$499 “in-person” ticket sales occurred on 12/17, the day of my video’s release. (Screenshots below)

That was within JUST THE FIRST 12 hours of that video’s release, (which was only at approx. 100-115K views at that time) – Yet that figure alone was enough to create the daily sales record.

(That would also imply that it generated more in-person ticket sales than the Graham/Randall Rogan appearance in November where they plugged CS23)

Clearly, substantial numbers of viewers were watching my video at the promo timestamp.

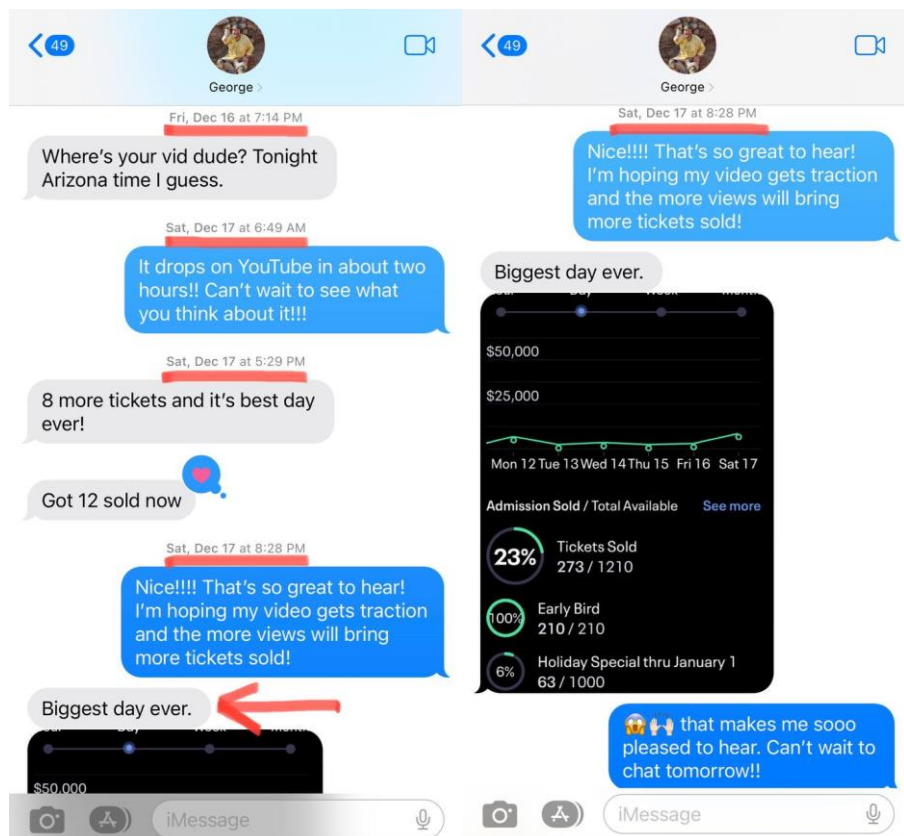
And btw, that ‘12hrs’ was the smallest amount of “daily” views for quite some time after. In fact, the video went on to skyrocket with as many as 210K, 290K, 261K, 179K – PER DAY, over some of the days in that videos first week.

Here’s something else interesting: Somehow, my social media posts made prior to that video garnered two known sales, despite receiving a micro-fraction of views in comparison to the video.

Yet, not only did I receive ZERO orders after the release of the video in the days and weeks following, but I also subsequently received NO FURTHER ORDERS from those respective social media posts from that point on either?

Question for @howtubeMike: Can you confirm with absolute certainty that there is no bug/glitch that’s prevented me from receiving affiliate sales?

After all, it has already been established that HowTube had unintentionally collected other affiliated sales from an “international glitch” that unknowingly existed for 4+ months? Could there be another unknown glitch?



Jimmy Corsetti – 4/11/2023 3:01PM ACST – Jimmy implies systemic fraud at HowTube, doubles down on claim he has not yet been paid

Btw, I *still* have somehow, not received payment for those two orders. Yet orders for Nerdrotic's affiliate were already paid out?

Btw, even the question as to "why" I never received those payments back in December has remained completely ignored.

I have to say that the complete and total lack of transparency, and evasiveness to this entire situation is shameful. I gave every opportunity to receive answers to my totally valid questions. And I know I'm not alone.

I'll also say that it is markedly unfortunate that some here (who have not even seen the pertinent data) have diminished the validity of these real concerns by passing it off as 'reduced-viewer numbers' at the end of the video.

The reality is that the audience retention metrics on that video are through the roof, and it went viral as a result. Even Rogan watched it to the end, that's saying something.

It generated closer to 3 Million views between Dec 17 and the time in question.

So, even if that video had bottomed out to "one-third" viewership at the promo timestamp as was rashly suggested, 1/3 retention would still equate to nearly

1 MILLION VIEWERS in that promo timestamp.

And the "biggest day ever" for live in-person sales prove it.

Hey George, go ahead and share the date-by-date sales-metrics for all "in-person ticket sales".

I don't even want the money at this point, btw.

Thankfully, if anyone here ever needed definitive answers, every-single-bit of data ever taken place on the Howtube website is ultimately stored on their hosted servers, 'New Dream Networks LLC.

Mike HowTube – 4/11/2023 5:32AM ACST

Short reply here for Jimmy regarding your "two missing orders." They were indeed paid in real time, I provided George a screenshot from Stripe showing those successfully completed payouts to your Stripe account. I'll email that to you.

FOR INTERNATIONAL @MarcYoung90 Jahannah - Your past affiliate commissions will be visible in your Stripe within 24 hours and all other fixes are complete. You'll see your orders now in your account and all new transactions will process for you just as shown in the "Nerdrotic Video" above.

Jimmy Corsetti – 4/11/2023 11:50PM ACST

Still haven't received your email, Mike. And your continued silence on all other critical matters outlined above is deafening.

My bank statement does not reflect any "14.70" deposits, nor a deposit of "29.40" for the combined total of the two, both made on 12/13. My bank statement shows a Stripe payment on 12/14 for \$12.11. However, the payments would had to have been deposited on 12/15, in a larger combined total (\$60.93), that would encompass a combination of several payments between Rumble and Howtube? I'll assume that this is how I ultimately missed this, and consider this part resolved, thank you.

But it's very important for me to point out that I never had any issues or concerns related to payment when I initially brought the lack of order concerns to your attention in Jan/Feb. And, unpaid payment concerns were certainly not included in my first outlined concerns to the group here.

It wasn't until I learned of unpaid "international" payments to Marc and Jahannah, that it was easy to jump to conclusions when I saw the missing payments reflected on my bank statement. And I genuinely felt I was looking after Jahannah and Marc. I apologize.

But honestly, with proper communication, this particular matter would never have been one of the issues unnecessarily brought up to the group here, which takes focus away from what my utmost concerns are, which is the crux of the real underlying issue, and remains unresolved.

If everything is truly on the up and up, your bizarre lack of communication and evasiveness only fosters an impression that information is being withheld. And your most recent “report” is entirely unacceptable.

George Howard – 4/12/2023 12:17AM ACST

Jimmy, when I sent you the files last night I asked when you would like to speak privately today as we had planned. What time is good for you? Thanks.

Jimmy Corsetti – 4/12/2023 12:12AM ACST

Ya, but you also told the group that the files provided the “definitive data”, which is so far from the case, it’s raises questions why it was shared privately. And you’ve also given the impression that you weren’t aware of the existing howtube issue months ago.

Please send me an a email with anything you’d like to say or share. Also, you haven’t responded to the last two emails regarding the check that needs to be reissued.

Looking forward to giving an engaging presentation at the Summit that the audience will enjoy. But it’s very clearly that the deal I signed has not been upheld, or made in good faith.

So anything else you need regarding my participation in the event can be addressed in email. Thanks.

George Howard – 4/12/2023 1:06AM ACST

I'm sorry to have used the word definitive Jimmy, which is certainly in the eye of the beholder. With that said, please confirm that you will not discuss the files I sent with me privately on the phone as planned. Its kinda gone back and forth and I want to check.

Jimmy Corsetti – 4/12/2023 1:22AM ACST

George, I am absolutely available to discuss those files with you. However, I would like for it to be in written form. Email works best. And my owns concerns of those files were expressed here last night, along with many other points of concerns, which certainly incudes a lack of transparency.

(And just to clarify, I am not pursuing any legal direction, nor do I intend to.)

I simply want to fulfill my obligation per our agreement, and give my presentation at the Summit, and make all who paid to see it satisfied.

George Howard – 4/12/2023 11:13AM ACST – George provides Stripe payment information, later confirmed by Jimmy.

FYI here are the relevant files\data happy to provide more.

<redacted Stripe payouts to Jimmy and google analytics of pageviews>

Kay Smythe – 4/20/2023 11:48PM ACST

Hey guy, just wanted to let y'all know I won't be attending the conference in Asheville

George Howard – 4/20/2023 11:54 ACST

Thanks Kay.

I'll add that Graham is very upset I have mistreated "the cast" by spending the profits on AV and Social instead of speakers fees.

Last I checked he is still coming though, but there seems some relation to Kay backing out.

Kay asked for a contract and I sent immediately what many of you signed months ago. Kay shared the contract with Graham and he hit the roof.

But here's why I don't think I am a snake!

Jimmy Corsetti – 4/21/2023 12:01AM ACST

Kay, that's real disappointing to here. Could you share why?

George Howard – 4/21/2023 12:02AM ACST

The non speaker fee model was to protect me from over promising dollars for an 1st event by a 1st time person. (I've wondered in recent weeks how I would have fared with some of this had been the case).

But...in the case I made money I have said since the first day I would plow it into a better productions and literally and figuratively set a bigger and better stage for next year.

I put all this into an email for everyone day one and I'm sure some of you remember it.

I explained the model in detail and no one had problem.

Fast forward to today, and Graham and some are taking a different view of what I should have done in the past.

Not much I can do to satisfy that concern. The money was spent as I said it would be.

Kay Smythe – 4/21/2023 12:04AM ACST

The contract all other speakers have entered into is the least ethical or moral piece of legal jargon I have ever reviewed. The fact that none of you will be paid for your time, and you're surrendering all of your intellectual property in its entirety is so extreme to me that it breaks my heart. If that works for y'all, that's up to you, but I've spent enough of my life in the public eye to know there are too many red flags throughout this situation for me. I'd rather just stick to my reportage and ensure that my friendships in this group are maintained in spite of them.

The right thing to do would be to dissolve all of the contracts that are signed at present, ensure you are all covered for the conference, and you retain your intellectual property rights.

Jimmy Corsetti – 4/21/2023 12:05AM ACST

Well that certainly validates many of the thoughts I've had about it.

George, when I first read that contract, I thought that it was so ridiculously over the top because you simply wanted to cover your ass, as these events are costly and full of liability.

But seeing as you're allegedly not making any money on it, and paying me barely enough to cover my Uber fare from the airport, it's like you used all the revenues to build a side business and our expense.

You were abundantly clear from the beginning that the focus was to make money. And based on the extensive wording I'd this bizarre contract, it's very obvious that it was not created in "Good Faith"

George Howard – 4/21/2023 12:07AM ACST

Jimmy, you're off the speaker list please cash your plane ticket and keep the money. It's more than Mike would have made skimming \$2.50 a ticket from you by committing wire fraud. Thanks.

George Howard removed Jimmy Bright Insight