Subject: OT: Napster

Posted by npsmith82 on Wed, 20 Oct 2004 23:28:25 GMT

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I've come to the stage now, that i'd prefer to buy music online, rather than downloading it for free through dodgy 'illegal' P2P programs.

I'd like to hear some feedback about Napster before i signup, from people who are current members, have used and actually downloaded tracks... What are your opinions of it?

A few questions also...

- 1. Can you play the tracks you buy in Winamp/Windows Media Player etc or do you have to use the Napster player?
- 2. Are they in WMA/MP3 format?
- 3. Is it still the old napster, where if there's a hard to buy remix of something you want, chances are they'll have it shared?

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Posted by glyde51 on Wed, 20 Oct 2004 23:40:04 GMT

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ummm.... I don't know why, but I do not think many people here buy their music, I do, but not online...

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Posted by Doitle on Wed, 20 Oct 2004 23:48:21 GMT

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lol I don't know about legally buying music. I think a good bet for any service is to find some way to get a trial, or like that promotion Burgerking (or Mc Donalds?) was running where you got a free song with a burger. Might be a good thing to try to find before you throw out some cash to get a 4kbps 14 second long version of the I Love Lucy theme instead of Get Low.

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Posted by liberator on Wed, 20 Oct 2004 23:55:44 GMT

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AIU, the various and sundry legit music download sites(iTuneds, ect) incorporate DRM in one form or another(proprietary formats, executeable code in the file that counts the number of

machines it's been played on, ect) and thus aren't as good as what you can get either by buying the CD or illegitimately via Kazaa, Limewire, ect. that can be played anywhere.

The Record Labels still don't understand that their sales will increase when they stop producing albums with 1 decent song and then 14 tracks of crap.

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Posted by smwScott on Thu, 21 Oct 2004 00:14:47 GMT

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Yeah, the reason people don't buy music isn't because of file sharing. I recently bought the American Idiot album from Green Day. This is the first album I've bought in well over a year, and that's because it's the first album with more than just a couple good songs. Almost everything on there is worth listening to, and I felt it was truly money well spent.

Whether or not you agree with my taste in music is irrelevant, the truth is there is only a few albums out there that any given person would consider to be of good quality. The quality of music has been consistently declining while the price has been rising.

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Posted by BonHair on Thu, 21 Oct 2004 05:12:43 GMT

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I bought 38 music albums just this year, and I pretty much like all of them. Stop buying pop shit! And if you like it, please download it, as most poptards are rich enough as it is.