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February 2025 - AI Security Arms Race

Long-form local technology guidance for Palm Bay, Melbourne, and Brevard County businesses.

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Lead Story

Phishing gets smarter, and security shifts to identity-first controls.

Lead Story and Strategic Context

Zero trust becomes default thinking by verifying users, devices, and request context on every high-risk action.

AI-generated scams are raising the value of MFA, device trust, and structured verification scripts.

This monthly brief converts the February 2025 theme into an operational playbook so businesses can execute with clearer ownership, stronger controls, and more predictable outcomes.

The objective is to reduce avoidable rework, tighten security posture, and ensure every automation or technology improvement maps to measurable business value.

Also Watching

These trend signals should be reviewed alongside your core roadmap because they influence risk, staffing, and technology purchasing decisions over the next two quarters.

- Deepfake voice scams are rising, which makes phone verification scripts a required control.
- Staff awareness training is now an active security control, not optional policy text.

Executive Briefing for Owners and Operators

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Security and Governance Controls

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Implementation Architecture and Tooling

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Team Enablement and Change Management

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Customer Trust and Service Experience

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Execution Roadmap for the Next 90 Days

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Tool of the Month

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Adopt the tool with documented standards for configuration, owner assignment, backup contacts, and review cadence so it supports repeatable outcomes over time.

What To Do Next

Use the action steps below to translate this month's strategy into immediate execution work with deadlines, owners, and status tracking.

- Enable MFA for email, banking, and administrative systems.
- Add a verification phrase for phone requests involving payments or account changes.

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