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Real Canon tries to shutdown Fake Chuck Westfall

Thomas Hawk has a <u>detailed account</u> of Canon's legal eagles latest attempt to alienate more of their users as they try to get Wordpress.com to remove the <u>Fake Chuck Westfall blog</u>.

The Fake Chuck Westfall blog is a parody/satire blog following the example of the "Fake Steve Jobs" and dozens of other similar parody-blogs. It is also a great way for frustrated Canon users to let off some steam. Letting off steam is better than grabbing their gear-bag and running to the local camera store and exchanging them for Nikon gear!

The great news in this instance is that Wordpress.com showed some free-speech e-onions and did not simply roll over and get steamrolled by Canon, but instead reacted in a common-sense and fair and balanced manner.

This is yet another example of high-tech manufacturers failing to understand the internet and their own users. We see countless examples of these, as recently as last week Panasonic failing to quickly address the mess their own estore created by <u>telling people the LX3 was discontinued</u>. If it wasn't for Panasonic-Guy-at-dpreview to save the day, the discussions could still be going on!

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