

THESE DAYS, dating apps are very popular. Especially, for those who are lonesome and looking for a new partner, their future other half and a life long relationship. Or maybe, they're just looking for a quick romantic dinner followed by a one night bedroom interlude with no attached commitments. Yet despite whatever one's reasons for using these services are, the prevailing lure is the promise of finding love and romance. HOWEVER the real dishonest truth is, that its about making money and promoting unsafe promiscuous debauchery. To which, all leads towards a broken heart with effecting negative emotional and mental side effects. Including increased depression, anger and a deep hate for oneself and their personally counted failures and negative thoughts. Plus many of the innocent who are effected by these apps, don't even realize they are a victim of both mental and emotional abuse received from other dating profiles on them too. And what's more worse, is that the supporting companies who run and manage these dating apps are accomplices in this as well. So for these companies (ie the Dating Casinos), its about making money and doing very little to protect their free and paying well meaning innocent users.

Here's a list of the Dating "Casino Company" Offenders below.

Individual Companies:

Owned By "Match Group":

--Bumble

--Match.com

--Hinge

--Badoo

--POF - Plenty of Fish

--eHarmony

--OKCupid

--Christian Dating For Free (CDFF)

--Tinder

However with the above list, the more unsafe apps are: POF, OKCupid, Tinder, Hinge, Christian Dating For Free and Badoo. And this is so because:

- Many fake profiles & bored users who have nothing better to do with their lives. "Bedroom Encounters" seems to be all they want with no healthy loving relationships at all!
- Lots of adult female users often post fake profiles just so they can get a meetup and dinner with a clean "Encounter" at some hotel or home afterwards. And as for many adult males, they only want a quick "dirty roll in the hay" and that's it. Yet in reality here, both of these types of people are the same no matter how they get what they want!
- And many dishonest fake people will act like they are Trans just so they can gain access to innocent individuals. Especially, for those who have children! Whence, these dishonest types are most likely active pedophiles seeking their next victim.
- Too many profiles of those who tell lies and, are active mental and emotional abusers who do so for sport and, to resolve their own selfish desires and life's boredom(s).
- And as for Badoo, an India based company, they push foreign country matches on US Citizens over matching same country citizens together instead. Even Christian Dating For Free does this too! As such, this could be a possible infringement on US Immigration and US Business Laws. Especially, if these apps are being solely used to aid in the process of illegal activities.

ARTICLE: THE DARK SIDE OF DATING APPS

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One ex-dating app member once publicly posted on their social app (*privately protected*) about these services as being places of legalized prostitution. Stating:

*These sites and apps rip people off and cause emotional harm! They do so by playing on their innocence and kindness. Then they promise false love with a happy romantic relationship. When in fact, they are nothing more than a "***Red Light District***" for prostitution, human trafficking and thoughtless uncaring one-night-stands (ie S-xual Encounters or, FWBs - Friends With "Bedroom" Benefits). Even Romance Scams happen on these apps and sites too. And with the women on these sites, sadly many of them just want a chat buddy with no intention of ever meeting the person they're chatting with. Though, their profiles often lie and fraudulently state otherwise.

*AND what sucks more, is if a person you message doesn't like you then, they just might seek to "***Revenge Report***" you to get you kicked off the dating platform! OR, they will even do this if they don't like your profile and you never even messaged or "Liked" them in the first place. Then after you get banned, you have to go back and forth with your dating app tech support people just to get your account back on and working again. So all-in-all, this is pure f#cking bull\$hit to have to deal with! Because these nasty people are a bunch of selfish mind-game-playing jerks who enjoy projecting their self-hate and boredom on to others!

****SERIOUSLY! Just avoid this diseased human waste!
And flush'em down the toilet!***

Now another ex-POF member on "***Google Play***" gave POF a 1 Star Rating and pointed out:

!!!WARNING!!! POF IS A ROMANCE SCAM! People use it because they are bored with nothing to do. They engage their scams by luring innocent victims into believing there is love when there isn't. Its more prevalent among adult females. Though some adult males are as well. But, a majority of males are more dirty in their content towards females. Its all unsafe and nasty! Romance Scams are a US Federal Crime and also a Federal Wire Fraud Crime too. So Just Stay Away From Dating Apps! In person is way better.

So as the above clearly states, dating apps and related websites are not so great to use after all. For the costs ultimately take more money and effort and cause more damage than one can actually bare. And this is true whether the effected user wishes to admit this fact or not. Whence, paying \$30 to \$60+ per month is not worth the joke these apps and sites actually are. Because in the end, your only paying for your own embarrassment and financial, emotional and mental loss. Thus the moral of the story is, ***“Save Yourself The Trouble! And, don’t get involved with these Dating Casinos!”***

However if what has been said above is not enough to convince one to stay away from these apps then, let’s take a another look at some of the collected notes below of what some users discovered and reported online with ***“POF.”*** And please be advised, this is about the same on other popular dating apps too.

NASTY REPORTED “POF” DATING APP USER BEHAVIORS

****NOTE****

*Language has been cleaned up for decency purposes.
Except, when and where needed for clarity.*

- POF ladies almost never respond back when I ***“First Contact Message”*** them. Unless they are truly interested or, are trying to bull\$hit me with some friggin scam or etc. So much of time I am constantly blocking lady profiles I don’t like. Even if they (their accounts) have been abandoned for a long time too.
- Sometimes and more often then not, POF ladies will message back a few times then, suddenly disappear and or, will say very little in reply except for a few short sentences. To include, repeating the same phrase a few times after a while and in between each of my messages. These fakers live double lives! In real life they might act like normal people and like they could do no wrong. Yet behind their dating app screens, they play the role of a Faker and or, a Romance Scammer!
- POF nasty women will try to project their lies away from themselves and onto their innocent male victims as if it was the victim's fault - ie via gas lighting and guilt tripping them. All to play ***F#ck!ng Mind Games!***
- Many POF chicks just not lookin for relationships. But, will lie and say they are to sucker guys in. And what’s worse! Some got kids they post in their profile photos too! To have them used like some baiting toy to get a man. And I bet this mentally f#cks the kids up too. Especially, if they see different men coming and going in their Mom's life. Making a totally unsafe home! These kids should be removed by CPS and placed in a safer place. Like a foster home or with a healthy seeking family. Then there are other POF (B-words) that work as elementary school teachers! And they use photos of their class in their profiles! Its sick! These (B-words) should be terminated, jailed and never allowed teach again!
- There are many good POF members that end up quitting and leaving this app not long after creating their new profiles. However, their abandoned profiles never get deleted by them. To which, POF makes a profit by suckering new users to pay monthly fees to see these abandoned, yet looking new, profiles. Plus, some have no profile photo as their policy requires. And so, fraudulent users are free to violate these rules whenever they want and POF does nothing to stop it! This is shameful!!!

- Too many of these POF (B-words) are vindictive, manipulative, condescending and mean! They lie about not wanting to leave chat after a while and talk on the phone or, to meet in person. So it seems they got a ready-made-excuse to use whenever they want. Like saying, "***One thing to know about me is, I have depression and it closes me up sometimes.***" Yeah right ya liar! What the f#ck ever! Bye (B-word)!
- Fake POF ladies like to use false terms of endearment (like Honey, Hun, Sweetie or etc) to lure guys in. And this same bull\$#!t goes for some nasty guys too. Though most of these guys just resort to using s-xual words with the ladies they contact. Then some of these POF ladies will complain about it. Yet truth is, these ladies are no different because all they want is the same thing. A quick, clean and who-cares f#ck! Where as the nasty guys want a dirty one. So they're all a complete waste of time for any decent ladies and guys on POF. Thus, giving the good ones a bad name. Again, its no wonder why so many good ones quit not long after creating their accounts.
- Over all, I find POF is a total f#ck!ng waste time, money and energy. And its just like all the other dating apps too! Where one has to weed through all the liars to find someone if they are even lucky enough to find them. Plus, it makes no sense to "First Contact Message" them like their profile asks. Because most of the time these ladies won't answer back. Unless they are bored off their a\$\$, want money, are a nasty scammer or, a disgusting sack-o-\$#!t (B-word) prostitute! So no thanks!
- Plenty of Fish (PoF) ought to be called Plenty of F#ck!ng \$#!t or, POFS for short!
- Many POF ladies like to play with guys minds and keep them going for a while. Its like a friggin sport for them! I guess anything to pass the time for their bored and screwed up useless lives! And, they got an excuse for everything. These Ho's are totally not trustworthy!
- I found myself wishing these POF ladies I liked were real. But sadly, they're all just fake! To even finding this out after chatting with some of them too. For none would ever go to talking on the phone after I brought up the idea. Because in reality, they had no real interest in finding someone special as their profile said. However, I do feel like if I just said I wanted s-x and nothing serious then, they all would agree to talk to me. But, this isn't who I am! They're just a bunch of nasty lying women. So I just quit using POF afterwards. Plus, I got tired of constantly blocking fakes. What a trashy app!
- Seriously! Adult entertainment sites like "Chatterbate" and etc are more honest then many of these stupid POF women are! For at least on those sites, a guy knows what to expect and there is no bull\$#!t mind games played on them either. Because in the adult entertainment world, those ladies are actually working for their money and not trying to screw a guy over like these dating app (B-Words) are doing. And sure, a person might not agree with the adult sites. But, at least they are being honest about their profession unlike those on POF and etc. So stay away from these dating apps! They're junk!
- There are other POF ladies who will post online in various closed social media accounts about guys they are dating to ask if others have dated them too. This is clearly a huge violation of the guy's right to privacy whether they are actually liked or not. And, this violation is prosecutable under many US Federal (ie 18 US Code § 241 - "Conspiracy Against Rights") and various related State Laws. To include, those regarding Libel and Slander. Such sites and apps that pull this trash is "arewedatingthesameguy.com" for women and, "arewedatingthesame.com" for men. Even Facebook has closed groups that do this too. Its totally nasty!

BRIEFLY STATED

Now after posting the above points on just “*POF*” alone, I as “*An Emancipated User*” and author of this document and website wish to state that this is only a small snapshot of what people have reported about dating apps on average. And in fact, there are entire websites that are devoted to dating app horror stories too. Do a search online and I am sure you can find them. Yet, what are the alternatives instead of using dating apps? For many popular dating apps have seemed to corner this industry under their control.

So in the end, many decent people who use these apps will ultimately quit when they discover that they don’t work and cost way too much to use. Plus, many might even suffer from increased anxiety and depression as well. To include, may even be negatively effected by the mental and emotional abuse received from having to deal with all the fake profiles there-in and, from their own continual desire to find “*the right one*” who they strive to believe has just got to be there somewhere. And so, this is a never ending insanity cycle. To even possibly causing one to have symptoms of PTSD too!

HOWEVER, THERE’S A BETTER WAY

And okay, here is one unmistakable truth and that is, “*The only real way to win, is not to play at all.*” Thus when it comes to dating apps, and this in my opinion, is the best choice to choose with regards to them. Ie, to not use them at all. For one, so many people don’t know how to use them safely in the first place and two, they naively keep using these apps and getting hurt from them as a result! Its crazy making! Whence, the in-person dating process is way better by far without these apps!

Yet here again, there might be those who say, “*Well, I just want to keep trying the dating apps and maybe I’ll find the right one.*” Then I find myself inclined to say, “*Well I gotta bridge in Arizona with some ocean front property I’d like to sell ya too.*” But seriously, if you wish to keep using these dating apps. ***You are doing so at your own risk!***

So now with using dating apps, its best to employ the use of every safety tool available to you. To include, being real yourself. Plus, there are good websites online which can help you as well.

Here Are Some Dating App Common Sense Points To Follow

- 1.) Have a verified real clean profile photo and, 1-3 uploaded selfie photos is usually enough.
- 2.) Never use your full name, address, phone number, email or social media name in your profile.
- 3.) Keep your profile light, easy to read and straight to the point about who you are and what you want and etc.
- 4.) Having a paid account lets you see more of someone’s profile and etc with other account benefits too. Like seeing who “Likes” your profile and messaging them back etc. This is how POF is.
- 5.) Not all dating apps are the same. Check the reviews on Google to see what is said about them before choosing them. Then pick the one that fits your interest and needs and has the most positive reviews you agree with.

- 6.) Have a separate Pre-Paid cell phone that is not your regular phone to use for dating. For using your actual real phone puts you at risk of getting screwed over by a scammer or even etc that is worse. Again like the work sign says, “Safety First!”
- 7.) Some may say age is just a number with regards to those who are adults – ie 18+ years old and up. However when it comes to actual maturity levels, this statement is further from the truth. For differing adult age brackets, cultures, traditions, accepted social norms and religious beliefs will and do effect what is considered mature. Whence staying within your social realm and age range is advised.

Furthermore when researching the adult age range question myself online, I found there is a math figure that many use which helps. Ie your current age plus, two or four years and, your current age minus 10 years. And this of course, all depends on what your comfortable with too.

For Example: --Current Age = 42.

--Max Age You Date: $42+2 = 44$ or if $+4$ then 46.

--Min Age You date: $42-10 = 32$

--Or perhaps, a more socially acceptable range is plus 2 to 4 years on your current age and less 8 years. (Min 34 to 42 (8yrs) and 2 to 4 years after. Ie 44 or 46 Max)

- 8.) Okay. Lets say you get a “First Contact Message” from a prospective profile. “Yay!” And maybe this is the one. So then you check their profile and find you like them and want to reply back. However, don’t make the mistake of getting your hopes up after doing so. For its too easy to fall victim to it as well. Because dating profile snakes are good at hiding and manipulating too!

So now you and the profile person are chatting and getting to know one another. Thus, this is where “Personal Rules” need to be in place so you don’t get taken advantage of in the process. AND Don’t Ever Share, Tell or Publicly Profile Post that you have these rules either! For a scammer will play them like a fiddle on you. Here’s an example below. NOTE: Its not fool proof. Yet, its better than having nothing at all.

Such A Dating App Process Example Is.

- (a.) Chat 1 to 2 days with moving to talking on the phone on Day 3.

**If the person makes an excuse or refuses to talk on the phone for Day 3 then, they are most likely a scammer and you ought to just quit chatting with them all together. Even if they say cell texting is okay with them too. So don’t fall for it! Just block their profile instead.*

- (b.) Day 3 - Talking on the phone and moving to meet in person on Day 4.

**At this point if talking on the phone with the person, its most likely to be obvious if they are interested in you or not. For one can tell by how they sound, what they say and etc. And if they seem interested then, politely mention about meeting in person at a safe public place. Ie dinner at restaurant or, a cup of coffee at a cafe etc. The point is to keep the process moving forward. HOWEVER if the person seems hesitant or etc then, just say good bye, hang up and block their phone number and dating app profile. Again, they could be a scammer. Plus if you’re using a separate cell phone then, that is the only number of yours they will know of too.*

(c.) Day 4 - Meeting in person at an agreed safe public place.

**For small time scammers and fake profile users, this is a point they will never do, accept or get to. And sadly on a lot of dating apps, this is where many good people discover that the apps are useless. Even when trying to get to Day 3 if you are lucky enough. Thus, Day 4 ought to be a point where the first part of getting there is done. So now moving forward and developing a healthy relationship ought to take place next. Again, always maintain the use of good common sense and enjoy each other's company as you learn more about them.*

IN CONCLUSION

Now despite which dating process direction you choose to go with, ie dating apps or just in person only. Its best to know what you are comfortable with. To know what your limits are. To knowing what and whom you are looking for too. Plus, to know if you are even mentally ready for doing so as well. And if you are a person of faith, to have answered the question of whether you have deeply prayed about it too? Because these are just some of the basic personal questions to ask. Plus certainly, taking notes and researching them helps too. And maybe even speaking with a local counselor or a therapist in person can help as well. Especially, if you find yourself having difficulties with the dating process.

And as for me as "*An Emancipated User*" of dating apps, I choose to go with the in person route only. For I believe it is a lot safer and healthier to pursue. All to seek a potential interested lady, whom is not hiding behind a cell phone, tablet, computer or other small screen.

Such Places One Can Try For Real Life Dating Is:

- A regularly attended church.
- Local scheduled public events with similar interests found in local news papers or magazines etc. Perhaps even with your local Facebook group friends too.
- Being out public, walking around a mall or etc while shopping and or browsing.
- Joining a local organization.
- Local volunteering

So...

Now I wish you good luck on your quest.

And, may the Truth keep and protect your dating journey!