



Weekly Crypto News Recap

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TOP STORIES OF THE WEEK

Ethereum's Shapella hard fork executed on mainnet

Cointelegraph

The Shapella hard fork has officially been executed on the Ethereum Mainnet—meaning that Ethereum validators can finally withdraw their staked ETH from the Beacon Chain. The upgrade importantly completes the cycle of Ethereum staking, allowing ETH to be freely staked and unstaked at the validator's discretion. Due to congestion in the exit queue, it would currently take a validator ~12 days to execute a full withdrawal on average. ETH rallied in the aftermath of the upgrade, breaching \$2,100.

Apple lets Uniswap's wallet app out of 'jail'

The Block

Uniswap's iOS wallet has gone live on Apple's App Store after a delay. The startup behind the decentralized exchange protocol originally unveiled the app in early March, but at the time Uniswap said that Apple was holding up approval. Now those concerns appear to have been assuaged given the official listing on the App Store in most countries. Features include digital asset trades, wallet activity tracking, and NFT data.

eToro Announces Crypto, Stock Trading Integration With Twitter

Decrypt

Stock trading is coming to Twitter. And, reportedly, crypto trading too. Via a new partnership with eToro, users can now make use of eToro's market charts on a range

of financial investments, simply by searching for the relevant "cashtag," usually by putting a "\$" sign in front of the ticker, like "\$TSLA" for Tesla stock. A chart then appears, reflecting the asset's 24-hour price performance along with a link that says "View on eToro" where users can then view more in-depth market information and purchase the asset, along with other assets offered by the platform.

FTX Recovers \$7.3 Billion in Assets, Considers Rebooting Exchange in Q2 This Year

Cryptonews

The now-defunct crypto exchange has recovered over \$7.3b in cash and liquid crypto assets, an \$800m increase from the last report, Andy Dietderich, an attorney for the company, said on Wednesday at a US bankruptcy court hearing in Delaware. More controversially, however, Dietderich added the company is starting to think about pushing forward with an effort to restart the bankrupt crypto exchange. The failed exchange's FTT token soared more than 100% afterwards, but many in the crypto community quickly pushed back at the idea.

BITCOIN

[UK forms Bitcoin Policy org to boost BTC education and adoption](#)

[Argentina securities regulator approves Bitcoin futures index](#)

[David Marcus's Lightspark Unveils Bitcoin Lightning Platform for Business](#)

[S&P 500 index, Bitcoin show further signs of decoupling as tech stocks prop up index](#)

[With BTC above \\$30K, MicroStrategy Is Back in the Green](#)

[Bitcoin Ordinals community debates fix after inscription validation bug](#)

[CoinJoin volume explodes as investors seemingly opt for privacy](#)

[Bitcoin Ordinals could become more like NFTs thanks to BRC-721](#)

ETHEREUM

[Ethereum Layer 2 Network zkSync Era Jumps to Nearly \\$250M in Locked Value](#)

[Ether Options Trading Volume Surpasses Bitcoin As Shanghai Upgrade Drives Demand for Bullish Bets](#)

[Ethereum researcher says staking reveals IP address, sparking privacy concerns](#)

[Vitalik Says Ethereum Will Focus On Scalability Post-Shapella](#)

[Ethereum Unstaking Requests Pile Up After Shanghai Upgrade, Now at 2-Week Wait](#)

[Shapella could bring institutional investors to Ethereum despite risks](#)

[Ethereum is burning ETH at a rate of \\$5.5 billion per year as Shapella upgrade approaches](#)

[Etherscan Reconfigures Blockchain Explorer Settings to Filter Out Potential Scams](#)

[Ethereum validator cashes in 689 ETH from MEV-Boost relay](#)

[Voluntary exit count surges ahead of Shanghai upgrade on Wednesday](#)

[Ethereum 're-staking' protocol EigenLayer launches on testnet](#)

[Lido Stakers Can Expect Ether Withdrawals 'No Sooner Than Early May'](#)



ALTCOINS

[Ripple launches liquidity hub for businesses to bridge the crypto liquidity gap](#)
[Arbitrum proposal to return \\$1 billion in governance tokens slated to fail \(and it's not even close\)](#)
[Uniswap proposal to launch on Polygon zkEVM is set to pass](#)
[ROOK Investors Begin Swapping Tokens for \\$25M Crypto Treasury](#)
[Solana's Crypto-Ready 'Saga' Smartphone Goes on Sale May 8](#)
[Ondo Finance Plans Yield-Generating Stablecoin Alternative For Institutional Investors](#)
[FTT token price pops as FTX floats possible plan to reopen exchange](#)
[New Privacy Blockchain Namada Proposes First Ever Shielded Airdrop to Zcash](#)
[Aptos giving \\$20 million to artists willing to create on its blockchain](#)
[LayerZero's multichain ecosystem grows as airdrop hunters ramp up their efforts](#)
[ApeCoin surges 1,950% on South Korean crypto exchange Upbit](#)
[Euler Finance Lets Users Redeem Recovered Funds Following \\$200M Theft](#)
[Alameda-linked Ren Protocol Transfers \\$13M in Bitcoin to FTX Debtors](#)
[Ethereum liquid staking governance tokens fall ahead of Shapella upgrade](#)
[TRX falls 5% in 24 hours following Binance.US delisting announcement](#)
[SushiSwap releases plan to return user funds stolen in \\$3.3M hack](#)
[Uniswap funds DAO incentive improvement project](#)
[ROOK Investors Aim to 'Rage Quit' Through Plan to Liquidate \\$25M Crypto Treasury](#)
[CoFund tokenizes \\$10M hotel in Bali via Tokeny](#)
[Lending Platform Maple Prepares New U.S. Treasury Pool; MPL Token Rises 23%](#)
[BNB Greenfield hits testnet, decentralized storage coming to BNB Chain](#)
[Solana Leads Crypto Market Rebound, Jumps 10% Overnight](#)
[Aptos Jumps 8% Ahead of \\$50M Token Unlock](#)
[ROOK Token Surges Ahead of \\$50M Treasury Split Between Community and MEV Tech Builders](#)
[Euler Finance Community Weighs Plan to Return Money Recovered From \\$200M Hack](#)
[Community wants Arbitrum Foundation to return 700M ARB to DAO Treasury](#)
[ZkSync Rescues Gemholic After Botched Token Sale](#)
[Decentralized exchange dYdX announces 'winding down' of services for Canadian users](#)
[Arbitrum-Based Camelot Crypto Exchange to Deploy V2 Upgrade Saturday](#)
[Dogecoin Drops Sharply After Twitter Blue Bird Returns](#)
[Arbitrum Amends Foundation Proposal After Failed Vote](#)
[Avalanche's Cortina Upgrade Goes Live on Protocol's Testnet; AVAX Token Rallies](#)
[Aragon's New DAO Toolkit on Polygon Takes Aim at Voter Apathy](#)
[Trader Joe joins top 5 DEX list as Liquidity Book model thrives on Arbitrum](#)

STABLECOINS

[Stablecoins Need to Be Regulated Like Commercial Bank Money, Bank of England's Andrew Bailey Says](#)
[US needs to regulate stablecoins to keep a strong dollar: Stellar CEO](#)
[Tether blacklists validator address that drained MEV bots for \\$25M](#)
[Tether USDT supply reaches \\$80B for 1st time in almost a year](#)

CRYPTO ECOSYSTEM

[Chia Network Submits Registration to U.S. SEC For Proposed IPO](#)



[StoneX Taps Coinbase for Offering Nano Crypto Contracts](#)
[Privacy-Preserving Payments Shouldn't Be 'Niche', Monero Contributor Justin Ehrenhofer Says](#)
[New 1099-DA Reporting Creates More Headaches for Taxpayers](#)
[a16z unveils new crypto index that shows adoption outpacing price performance](#)
[Paxos's national banking charter application expired, but it may try again](#)
[Ethereum projects launch MEV Blocker to protect users from high prices: Finance Redefined](#)

[NFTS / GAMING / METaverse](#)

[MonkeDAO Plans to Buy Rights to Popular Solana Monkey Business NFT Collection for \\$2M](#)
[Canon to Launch Ethereum Photo NFT Marketplace Cadabra](#)
[Bored Ape whale claims \\$4 million lost in rug pull scam shortly after selling nearly \\$3 million of the popular NFTs](#)
[Mastercard Drops Free NFTs, Launches Web3 Music Accelerator](#)
[CryptoPunks' \\$211-million hot streak fueled by added liquidity and Blur incentives](#)
[Reddit experiences shop outage as it launches third generation of NFTs](#)
[Reddit Just Dropped Thousands More NFTs on Polygon From Over 100 Artists](#)
[Shiba Inu metaverse details unveiled by official announcement](#)
[Adidas ramps up NFT strategy amid a bearish trend](#)
[Proof Launches Exclusive NFT Collection for Moonbirds Holders](#)
[OpenSea Pro overtakes rival Blur in key metric as volumes and addresses surge](#)

[MINING](#)

[Montana 'right to mine' crypto bill passes the House](#)
[Core Scientific adds 900 more mining machines on behalf of LM Funding](#)
[Bill limiting incentives for crypto miners passes Texas Senate, moves to House](#)
[Bitcoin miner Riot Platforms responds to NYT with cheeky video saying facility doesn't literally produce CO2](#)
[Core Scientific debtors petition bankruptcy court to approve new president](#)
[The New York Times' Skewed Bitcoin Mining Exposé Reveals Blatant Bias](#)
[Bitcoin miner CleanSpark purchases 45,000 ASICs for \\$145M](#)
[Bitcoin Miner Bitdeer Expected to Finally Go Public This Friday](#)
[Bitcoin mining firm Bitmain reportedly fined for tax violations in China](#)
[Bitcoin proponents respond to New York Times' BTC mining report](#)
[Bitcoin Miners Will Have Same Rights as Data Centers, Says New Arkansas Bill](#)
[Bitcoin Mining Firm Sphere 3D Sues Gryphon Digital Over Spoofing Attack – Here's What Happened](#)
[SBI Crypto Sues Riot Blockchain-Owned Data Center for Fraud, Negligence](#)

[EXCHANGES](#)

[Binance Futures delisting STEPn, Near and Avalanche BUSD perps](#)
[Bitrue crypto exchange exploited for \\$23 million in ether and tokens](#)
[Zipmex's rescue investor now wants to pay only 10 to 20 cents on the dollar](#)
[Winklevoss Twins' Gemini Files for Pre-Registration in Canada](#)
[Binance to Support Ether Staking Withdrawals From April 19](#)
[Gemini submits filing to stay open in Canada](#)
[Swiss court gives green light for FTX to sell its European arm](#)



[El Salvador Issues Historic First Digital Asset License to Bitfinex Crypto Exchange – Here's What You Need to Know](#)

[Bitfinex Securities El Salvador receives Digital Asset Service provider license in El Salvador](#)

[Gate.io Crypto Exchange Confirms its SFC License Application](#)

[Gemini receives \\$100M loan from Winklevoss brothers](#)

[Coinbase head of exchange departs and plans to start new crypto project: Report](#)

[Report: Crypto Exchange Binance in New Partnership that Seeks to Deepen Crypto Adoption in Africa](#)

[Zhu Su's OPNX exchange rolls with wisecracks on its low daily trading volume](#)

[Coinbase CEO says Bitcoin Lightning is 'something we'll integrate'](#)

[Binance.US unable to find bank partners in the United States: Report](#)

[Binance to Shut Down its Australian Derivatives Services](#)

CAPITAL RAISES

[Bankruptcy Trading Platform Xclaim Closes \\$7M Round as It Adds Crypto Focus](#)

[Sei Labs Raises \\$30M for Trading-Focused Layer 1 Blockchain](#)

[CryptoGPT raises funds at a \\$250 million token valuation](#)

INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

[Digital Asset Firm HashKey Announces Wealth Management Service Launch Amid High Investor Demand – Bull Market Confirmed?](#)

[Metalpha raising \\$100M to offer Grayscale Bitcoin products in Hong Kong](#)

[Bitget unveils \\$100 million venture fund with focus on Asia](#)

TRADFI / TECH

[London Stock Exchange Group may provide clearing services for BTC derivatives in Q4](#)

[Amazon launches new Bedrock AI service to take on Google and OpenAI](#)

[Wisdom Tree, T. Rowe Among TradFi Firms to Test Avalanche's Blockchain Subnet](#)

[U.S. Banking Crisis May be Vindication for Crypto Ecosystem: JPMorgan](#)

[Tech giant Alibaba to roll out ChatGPT competitor AI](#)

[Midjourney Uses Photo Uploads To Help You Craft Prompts](#)

[Twitter seems to have blocked all interaction with tweets containing Substack links](#)

CBDC

[Montenegro's Central Bank to Test CBDC With Ripple](#)

[Presidential hopefuls RFK Jr. and Ron DeSantis rail against FedNow](#)

[Bank of England Targets 30-Strong Team for Digital Currency: Report](#)

REGULATORY / COUNTRIES

[Zambia to Wrap Crypto Regulation Tests by June: Report](#)

[High Hopes for EU's MiCA Law With Final Vote Imminent](#)

[Blockchain Association files brief in Tornado Cash case](#)

[Paxos becomes latest crypto company to end services in Canada](#)

[SEC Advisory Group Backs Gensler's Crypto Efforts but Asks for Industry Guidance](#)



[Wyoming defends crypto-friendly bank charter regime in Custodia Bank's lawsuit with Fed](#)
[US SEC seeks to expand its Crypto Assets and Cyber Unit](#)
[New tax rules could mean a US exodus for crypto companies](#)
[Texas lawmakers propose a gold-backed state digital currency](#)
[Sushi's head chef addresses community concerns amid SEC subpoena](#)
[U.S. Treasury Misunderstands DeFi AML Compliance Requirements: Coin Center](#)
[Thai political party looking at PM race promises \\$300 in crypto upon victory: Report](#)
[Int'l securities body IOSCO prepares crypto regulation report for 2023](#)
[Germany plans to issue electronic shares on blockchain, boost startups](#)

ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL, GOVERNANCE

[Ash Environmental DAO Announces Ash Token Sale To Champion Social Good](#)
[Bitcoin's Energy Transparency Is a Double-Edged Sword: Hut 8 Mining CEO](#)

SURVEYS, HACKS, MISC

[DAO Maker exploiter returns after 200 days, sends \\$600,000 to Tornado Cash](#)
[Youtuber Bitboy Ordered to Appear in Court to Face Lawyer's Harassment Claims](#)
[Exploit involving early version of Yearn Finance saw damages of \\$11.6 million: PeckShield](#)
[Blockworks co-founder says he wouldn't touch CryptoGPT with 10-foot pole](#)
[FTX's bankruptcy lawyers and advisers pocket \\$32.5M in February](#)
[Europe Must Reduce Reliance on US Dollar, Says French President Emmanuel Macron](#)
[Sam Bankman-Fried declared Alameda 'unauditable,' new report shows](#)
[Former FTX US President Reportedly Quit After 'Protracted Disagreement' With Bankman-Fried](#)

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