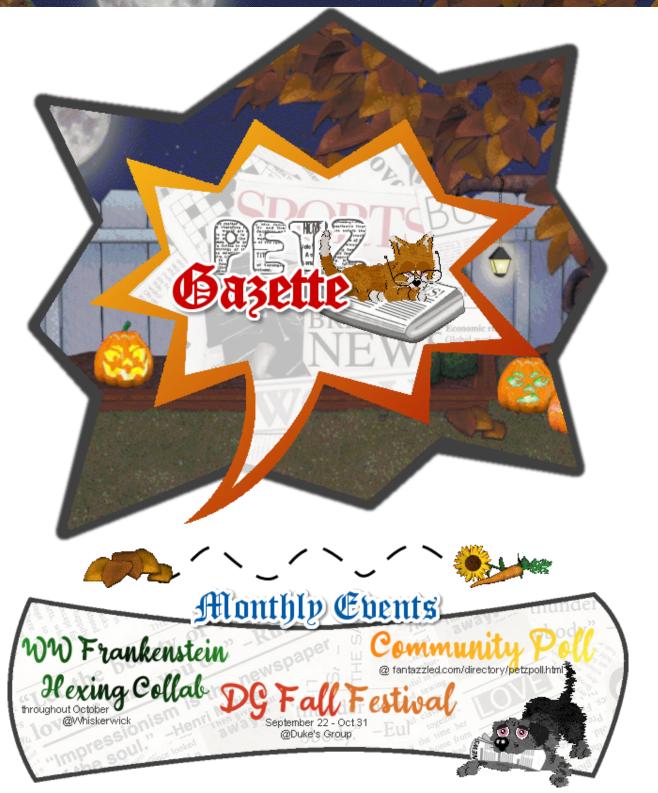
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Frankenstein Hexing Collab - whiskerwick.boards.net/thread/11643

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Duke's Group Fall Festival - dj7.proboards.com/board/375/fall-festival

Community Poll - fantazzled.com/directory/petzpoll.html

Have an upcoming event in November or December you'd like featured? E-mail xoops@fantazzled.com!

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# Alive Enough! oodlecat.neocities.org





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# Freefall! homebodv.eu/freefall



#### NEWS AROUND TOWN | BY XOOPS

What's going on in the community lately? Think you may have you missed something? Well I'm here to help!

There is an amazing **Fall Festival** event happening on the Duke's Group Forum - if you aren't registered there and haven't checked it out, you should! There are so many activities, gameplay challenges, contests, and more happening, as well as lots of prizes! [https://dj7.proboards.com/board/375/fall-festival]

Whiskerwick is going to be doing something a little different for the spooky season - there's a wonderfully fun hexing event happening, the **Frankenstein Hexing Collab** - hurry and get your contribution in to the mix and help create a community monstrosity this season! And no need to be an experienced hexer either, it is a community collaboration after all. [https://whiskerwick.boards.net/thread/11643]

And if you love contests, check out Sharon @ Aida's **PF. Magic Match Hexing Contest** on WW as well, she's giving away actual Petz Merch as the prize!

[https://whiskerwick.boards.net/thread/11634]

Keep an eye on DG and WW for more fun activities and contests to pop-up over the next month!

## Get Your Search On!

Looking for stamps? Let me help you out!

© Oasis, Down the Rabbit Hole, Just Dandy, CYBORG, Filthy Hippie, and Hollymoor have Monthly stamps!

Events and Contests seem to go hand-in-hand with stamps, just sayin'.

A new forum has popped up recently, the **Petz Wardrobe**! A forum dedicated to petz clothing - how to make it, where to download, a place to show off your petz in the wonderful clothes you've found or made, and of course clothing related contests (ever wanted your pet to "walk the runway"? Well now is your chance!) Go check it out! [https://petzwardrobe.proboards.com/]



Speaking of game content - Gyiyg @ Polygondwanaland has fixed the **circus balls**! But wait, what was wrong with them you ask? Apparently PFM set the color adjectives backwards - the yellow/red ball was set to the color blue and the blue one was set to red! No wonder your red-loving petz seemed confused (and vice versa), poor petz! [https://gyiyg.neocities.org/toys.html]



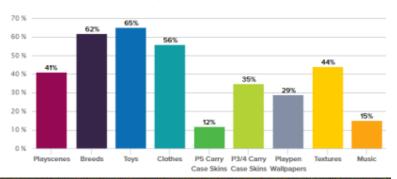
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Finally, check out this month's **Community Poll** results on what kind of game content the community is looking for!

Looks like the usual suspects of Toyz and Clothes are high up on the list, with more Breeds in second place. I'm honestly a bit surprised at the results, I thought for sure the less common content like the Carry Case Skins, Music, etc, would rank higher. But on the other hand, who doesn't love new toys and clothes for the game, right?

Well if you wanted to get into content creation, or you already make things but weren't sure where to focus your energy, this poll may help - will you go with the popular vote or maybe make some things for the minority of the community who wants something a little less common?

Regardless of what you decide to do this beautiful Autumn season, I hope this helped and I hope you enjoy it!



#### BEHIND THE SCENES WITH AMANDA!



Our Community Interviews continue! This month is with the amazing Amanda @ Cargo. I'm sure you've heard of her and been to her website many times (and you haven't please go take a look!) She has so much game content for download, adoptions, info and fun stuff going on, her site has always been a favorite of mine! [cargo-petz.neocities.org]



1. What attracted you to hexing both petz and other game content?

I was always starstruck by the cool kid hexers back in the day! I'm sure that was a driving force for my learning how to hex. Now it's a creative outlet and I especially like trying to hex things I haven't seen done before. And hexing other game content is a fairly new thing for me - but now that I know how, I just want to completely expand and customize everything! I love to see how many ways the original game items can be repurposed into wonderful new things.

2. How do you come up with ideas for either?

I have a massive notepad file of ideas for brainstorming, collecting my thoughts and piecing ideas together over a long time before I start to make something. I'll keep notes of any offshoot ideas I have while working on something else and how it could be turned into another thing after. The ideas just keep compounding on themselves! There are plenty of bad ideas in there too, but you have to get the bad and mediocre ideas out to find the good ones mixed in.

3. How do you keep and create the motivation to hex?

I think it's its own reward! The feeling of accomplishment and rush of good feelings when a new thing is finished and ready to go out in the world, and from making something I'm happy to have in my game, which didn't previously exist.

4. Tell us a little about Luna, your mascot/signature pet, and why she is special to you?

So she's quite young compared to my whole time in petz, but I love her because I bred her to be the petz version of my real cat! When I was working on my breed-calicos-in-every-coat-combination project (the Cargo Calico Catalog on Whiskerwick) I, of course, had to try and breed a cali to look like the real Luna (this was also the reason behind making the bicolor BWS overwrite, to capture her white markings). I planned out what colors should be where and then bred until I got her:)



5. You seem to be a whiz at breeding projects - any tips or tricks for others?

I find the repetition and organization of breeding projects very calming, so I've done it a lot. I'd suggest for anyone who hasn't tried one before to start with a simple goal and just see where you end up!

It helps to try to work out what you'll need to reach your goal before you start, breeding for each trait separately and then combine those traits together one at a time. It also helps to remember, when you reach your final breeding pair you'll only have four possible colors (two gene sets from each parent), so there's no reason to worry about keeping every color mutation you get along the way- just pick and chase your four favorite colors to the end:)

6. Share with us something you love about the game itself?

I love to collect things, I love art, and of course, I love animals - Petz rolls all of that up in a ball and is completely free! Plus, the whole unlimited possibilities thing!

7. Do you have any original game favorites? (Breeds, toyz, playscenes for example).

I think I've loved every breed the most at different times, but I especially love Sheepdogs and Bulldogs right now. For playscenes I lovvve the beach and its ambient sounds.

8. And what about something you love about the community?

Holidays and events! Holidays and events! Everyone in the community is so giving and makes incredible new things to get excited about.

#### (INTERVIEW CONTINUED...)



9. How long have you played the game and been part of the community?

I played Petz II first at my best friend's house when I was 8! Her older sister showed me hexed breeds and petz websites so I knew about hexed content before I even had my own game when Petz 3 came out. I'm a shy kid so I wouldn't say I was "in" the community until forums (The Petz Shiznit/TPS maybe?), but I obsessed over my favorite petz sites before that.

10. Is there anything else you'd really like to share that we haven't already discussed? Anything exciting you have planned or working on?

I've been working for a few months now on something fun, it's the biggest project like it I've ever attempted! It might be released by the time this is printed or soon after, if not (it's one of those projects that just keeps growing, every time I think I'm finished I'll think of three more things to do).

Amanda - you are wonderful  $\heartsuit$  Thank you for the tips and insight (I especially never thought of the four-color thing when breeding)! And I can't wait to see what you're working on next!



#### SHELTER DOG ADOPTED - WHAT HAPPENED NEXT WILL SHOCK YOU! | BY LOBB

[The Gazette is for the community and I'd love to feature some community member-written articles about our members most-loved petz, random thoughts, stories and more! Let's see what others love about their petz and this game - after all, thats why we're all here, right?]

Raffles is a "Shelter Dog" and he was one of my first petz, I just got him out of the AC and instantly loved him. I raised him naturally and ever since then, he's always in my Adopted Petz folder. There's never a boring moment with him, even though I play with him pretty much every single day.

Raffles does something none of my other petz do: play catch. He'll do play-bows until I move the cursor to him and then he takes off running. If I stop chasing him, he'll challenge me again. This kind of thing is what I love about Raffles! He's so expressive and his enthusiasm is contagious. Whether we're doing photoshoots, going on random adventures, or just playing fetch, he turns it into a whole event. He's very friendly, too. He plays nice with almost everyone and regularly asks me for belly rubs. Playing with Raffles is like being wrapped in a cosy blanket, it's very comforting.

I'd say he also sets a good example for us all - He used to be really bad at frisbee when he was younger, but his persistence and love of playing paid off: he's since become a Frisbee Champion! I think I can be excused for being a bit obsessed with him, no?

# Want to submit an article?

It can be short, it can be long, I'm happy to have it!

But, wait! Not sure what to write about?

Well luck would have it, there are Article Prompts on the Petz Gazette webpage!

Go take a look and get that article submitted!

[https://fantazzled.com/directory/prompts.html]

#### Part Events

**WW Dali Week** - What an amazing Breed Week! Hope you had a chance to enter a contest, raffle, or snag some adoptions!

Limited-Palette September Hexing Contest hosted by Celia @ Filthy Hippie - Voting has commenced! Hurry and get yours in! [whiskerwick.boards.net/thread/11547]



Arie @ LF and Nebula tied for first place in Funfetti's Brex-Me Contest!











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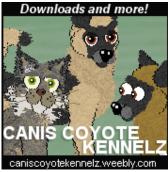














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