

Ellie blog #2 weekend 28th-30th march 2024

this weekend was super cool !!!!!

on friday there was The First Table-Top Role-Playing Game Conference, aka The Meeting, which was me and leemo talking about a ttrpg that i and kinda him are developing

the conclusion we came to was that the bulk of the system as it existed would be better served regimented into a “core system” and series of modules, for instance more complex combat, or roleplaying, capabilities for players, which i think sounds cool

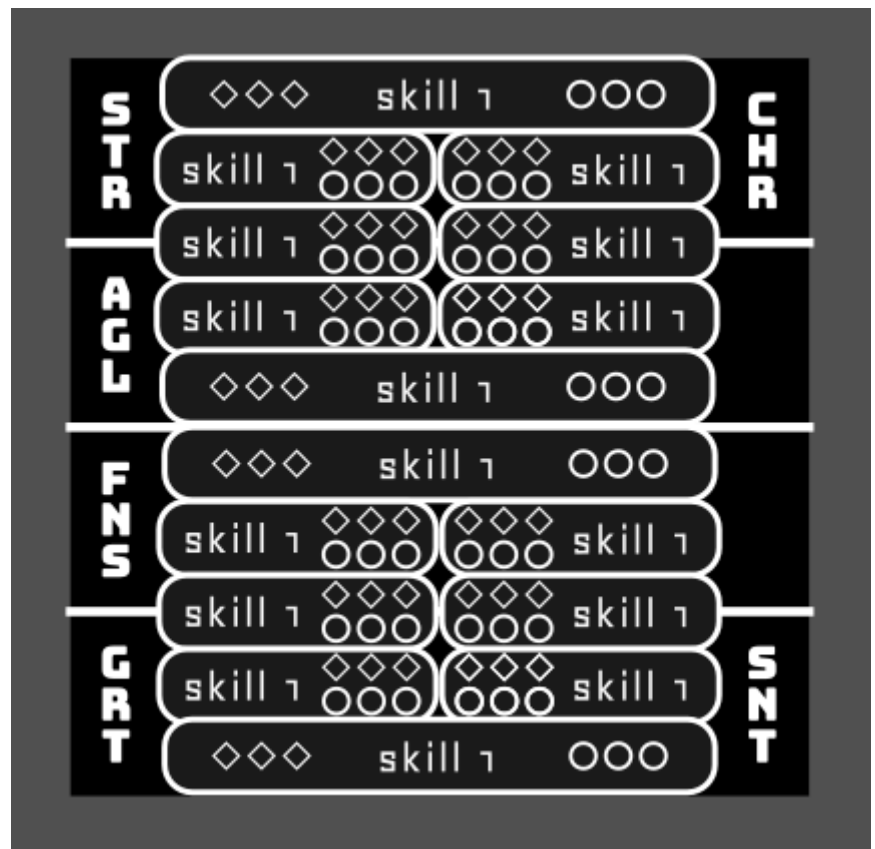
one of the central design ideas for the system is to be customisable to a wide variety of different play experiences so i think this was a super cool idea, and leemo did most of the coming up with it!

Also we were talking a bit about character sheets and we settled on a few ideas, leemos gonna do the graphic design cos hes an awesome sauce graphic designer person; here is a very early iteration of how a characters score in the system’s 8 attributes and 24 skills will appear on a sheet:

im not gonna get super deep into the mechanics of the system here, but i probably will at a later date. We still dont even have a name for it lol

im glad this Conference happened cos ive been working on this ttrpg a Lot recently and its super refreshing to hear other perspectives abt a thing thats been in ur head for about one million years

that was kinda it for friday tbh



Saturday

on saturday i went to a gig!!! with my friendies Leemo Kayla and Luther

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theres a band, three of the members of which are in my school in the year below me, theyre called Random Animals, i dont think they have a website. They're a kinda anachronistic 3<sup>rd</sup> wave punk act, very good stuff. I cant think of a bang on comparison right now but i might go to another of their gigs and then i can think of one

We went to see them play in the local YMCA, which is actually super cool and i decided to sign up, just like in that Smiths song Half A Person for real

They were playing in a very small and very very warm room with about 30 people? 40? A good few of the ppl there i knew or i assume knew the band personally

The band mostly played their own stuff which is a great sign but there was also a Fontaines cover, a Misfits cover, a cover i didnt know, and Wheres Me Jumper ofc

Great gig, very impressive. i especially liked the drummer but the whole band was good also they did this kinda awesome thing with subway surfers gameplay as their background visuals i thought that was funny

after the gig i got the band members (inc. certified cool person James Bond) and Conor Langely (who was also there) to sign a copy of Aethersnipe (MM2) i always keep a magic card in my phone case in case of similar circumstances.

going in the cube ==>

after \*that\* we went off to a pub and had a few drinks and chats which was also nice.



Sunday

sunday was pretty busy for me because i played a game of dnd and then a game of 40k, almost too many things i know i know

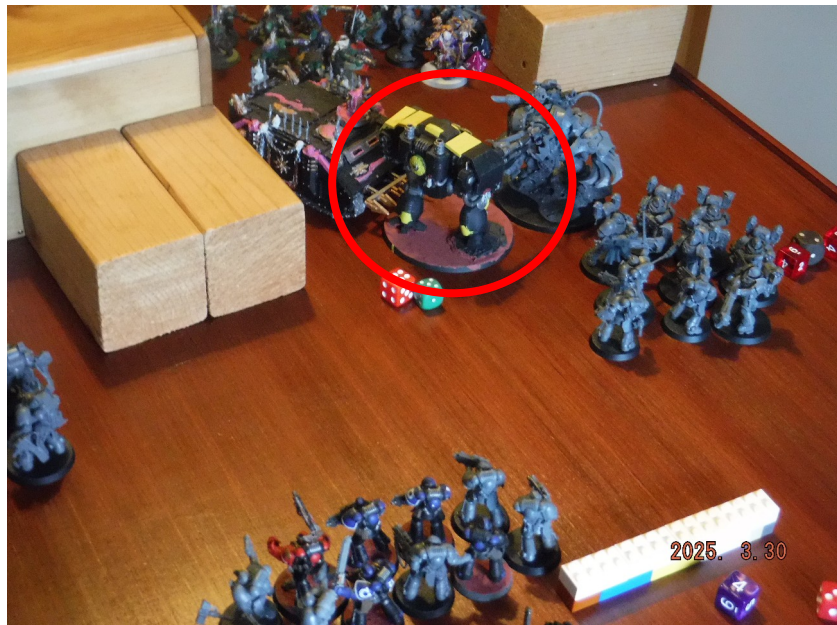
I'm in a dnd campaign with my friend adam and his college friends, which im not sure how i feel about. On the one hand its playing a TTRPG, which is a moral good, and i like all the other players. On the other im not sold on the dm, i dont think hes terrific or particularly experienced. I think ill prolly stick in the campaign if only because i dont have any other long term RPGs running right now. The session today was kinda a nothing burger, just some interviews and adam dicking around (call the dm Mr Kelly the way he cant control his class [pcs])

After dnd Kayla and her brother Eamon came round to play 40k which was a lot of fun, i ran about 2900 points of imperial space marines (firestorm assault force) vs their emperors children and orkz. good stuff, lots of fun

we didnt end up finishing the game even though we were at it for about 6 hours just cos thats how warhammer forty thousand (warty thou) is

My ballistus dreadnought was defo the mvp of the game, it did a surprising amount of work with oath of moment-boosted overwatches, and survived Ghazghkull Margaret Thraka's fight phase and finished him off the next turn

the coolest dreadnought to ever do it ==>  
i shall call her Roberta Smith, bc she doesnt like Thatcher and shes sad all the time (shes a lamenter, my army is kinda Silly Deathwatch i might post abt it at some point)



Also honourable mention to my jump pack captain; while not technically a real Smash Captain since she lead a unit she was running Storm Shield + Thunder Hammer, the former of which's additional wound came in clutch after i charged a squad of melee emperors children battleline (i forgot their name, incitor? Infractor? Smth with in-) and my captain was left on 1 wound vs their captain, and stayed on one wound somehow for the next 2 turns! It was kinda silly. Smash Captains are back for sure. New meta

Other things



i watched three films this weekend! Friday was Kiki's Delivery Service, which im still getting over. That film is so awesome i love it so much. Im now officially a studio ghibli head, i was previously avoidant cos it felt too obvious. 5/5 stars

Saturday was a rewatch of Spiderverse 2 : I forgot the full Name. That films super duper awesome, i love its themes and characters and obv visuals. Definitely more fun on the rewatch after not having seen it since release. 9.5/10 stars

Sunday was Coraline. I really liked a lot of this film, inc. its themes and such, but it wasnt nearly as good as the other two from the weekend. 2.1/2.5 stars (84%)

unfortunately i didnt listen to any new music this weekend, mainly cos im still in the process of Music 5, the procedure of uploading 9 months worth of recommendations onto my ipod. Hopefully thatll be done next week (it wont)

to synopsis

this weekend while seemingly decently mundane was super fun to me because i got to spend time with my cool and awesome friends ^\_^

ummm anything else

go do your voice training, drink water, and listen to Frailty by Jane Remover (2021)

i dont think therell be any more posts for a while, but maybe therell be one on the last weekend of easter holidays?? we'll see

Ellie !