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this fabulous issue!!

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Continued Growth

I am amazed at how God continues to grow Family Friendly Gaming. I am so thankful for each and every one of ya'll. We work really hard on the e-magazine, website, and videos. We continue to roll out little improvements here and there. I am so happy that the Family Friendly Gaming website hit a milestone in June of 2017. We had over one million unique hits on the website. Never before had we crossed that number. So it is an amazing blessing and a huge shock to me personally. I know plenty of gaming sites that want to reach that number and Family Friendly Gaming has gotten to that point now. I am sure E3 coverage had something to do with that.

As I write this column the Youtube channel for Family Friendly Gaming has surpassed 42 million views. Which is amazing considering we started original videos in September of 2013. Not even four years of doing original videos and our views are insanely high. I have to pinch myself sometimes to make sure it is real. This is way above and beyond anything we hoped for, prayed for, planned for, or even expected. The Youtube community is amazing. We also see continued growth in terms of subscribers. We continue to release videos on the schedule we have. Sundays are when we release dance videos. Mondays contain at least one sports game. Tuesdays is when we release at least one FFG original camera work video. From there we pick and choose what videos to release Wednesday through Saturday. So many of our video series have been successful that we are constantly rotating them to get them in as best as we can. Right now we are releasing thirty-two videos a week. Which is quite a lot. Sometimes a few more when Unboxing videos occur.

God has really blessed Family Friendly Gaming with amazing advertisers, and Youtube monetization. We consistently reinvest that money to make things better. We have plenty of really cool plans and ideas for the rest of 2017, and early 2018. We have already purchased a new laptop with Windows 10 for recording and processing videos only. That frees up my laptop for website, and magazine work. I can still use mine for video processing and rendering if the need arises. We have actually done that a few times. We are looking at purchasing a new gaming PC in

a few months. We need a new tripod for the camera work. We also need to invest in some PC recording software that does not have all of the problems of FRAPS. We are looking at a custom backdrop for the FFG Chronicles, FFG Top Ten, and FFG Unboxing videos. We are also looking to invest in PC VR first quarter next year. Finally we are considering upgrading the Xbox One and/or PS4 at some point next year.

A lot of exciting things are happening here at FFG. Again thank you for all of your views, hits, comments, suggestions, and more. This is an exciting time.

God bless,
Paul Bury



Where are the Girl Games?

The most recent video game generation has been disappointing on so many fronts. Kids games have been forgotten. Safe for the entire family dance video games have been forgotten. Girl games have been forgotten? What happened to all of the good girl games? I know there have been some boutique and fashion games on the Nintendo 3DS. I am thinking about the home consoles though. Where are they? What is going on?

I know the video game industry has been contracting and shrinking from what it once was. Indie games have been picking up the slack so the demise of the video game industry does not look as bad as it is. The problem is the indie games only seem to care about hardcore gamers. Few of the indie games are for families. I can not think of one indie game that is really geared toward girls or women - which is sad. I hope this gets corrected soon.

I am one of the female gamers that spends more time on her phone. I used to play games like Cradle of Rome on the hand helds and consoles. As video game companies have stopped releasing those games on the hand helds and consoles I have moved to play the app versions of these games. They are not as good as say the Nintendo 3DS version, but they are quick to play and quick to get into. It is not that I left the hand helds and consoles behind. They left me. If there were new good games for girls and women on the PS4, Xbox One, Switch, 3DS, and Vita; then I would go play them. Since they decided our population is not worth it, they lose out on sales. They must have known that would be a consequence of their choice. If not my column should hopefully educate them.

A lot of women I know do not think much of the video game industry, or video games in general. When they do think of it, it is in a negative format. I was talking to this one lady and she told me it was something for young boys before they grew up. OUCH! Talk about an image problem for the video game industry. The biggest question I have is when will the video game industry turn this around? Which company will step up to the plate and make girl games again? Who out there is strong enough, bold enough, and intelligent enough to make it happen?

The creation of girl video games makes the video

game industry look more caring, inclusive, and diverse. The lack of them makes the video game industry look exclusionary, callous, and uncaring. I know which version of the video game industry I would like to write about. What about you? Which version would you prefer to see? Do you have a mother, daughter, or sister who will not touch video games? Where do you think the problem lies? Do you think there should be no video games for girls at all? Do you want women out of the video game industry totally and completely? Do you want a larger more inclusive video game industry?

God bless,
Yolanda Bury



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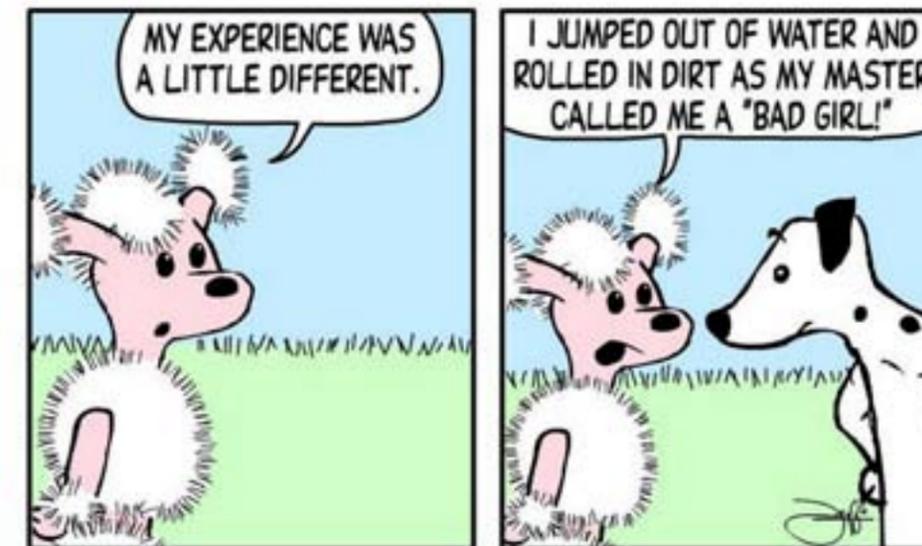
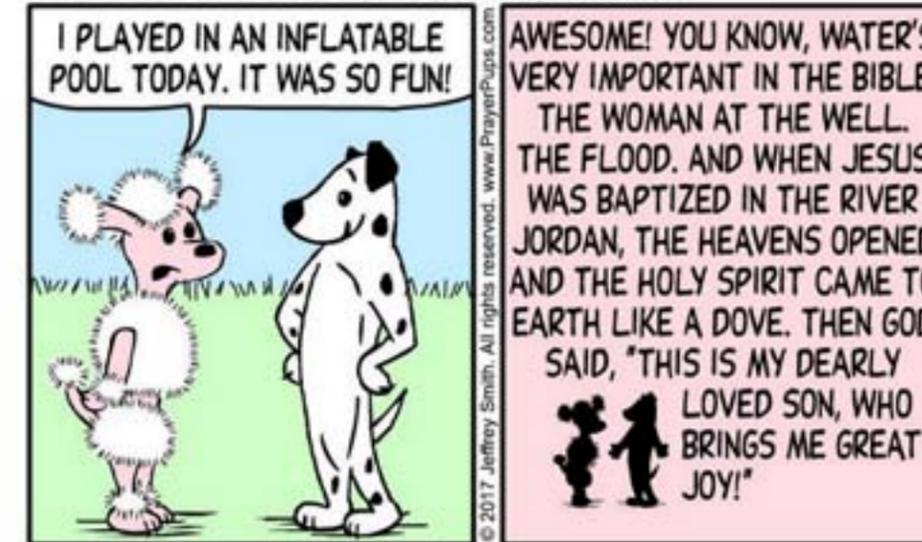
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Family Friendly Gaming (FFG) was created in March of the year of our Lord 2005 as the first ever Christian video game magazine. The goal of Family Friendly Gaming is to report on video games from the family view point. Family Friendly Gaming takes a fair and balanced approach to all news, previews, reviews, interviews, features, and other articles found within. The secular video game media reports mainly on the most morally bankrupt games and call those games good. The major secular media reports on the bad side of video games mainly. Most other Christian media outlets claim video games turn the player into a zombie, or they completely worship video games. Family Friendly Gaming reports the good, and bad side effects to video games. It is the belief of the owners that readers are smart enough to come to their conclusions without those in the media handing opinions to them. Those of us at Family Friendly Gaming believe by giving you the facts, you can decide for yourself. There are plenty of really good video games on the market that teach wonderful lessons. Both inside the Christian video game market, and from non-Christian video game developers. Family Friendly Gaming seeks out these video games to bring them to your attention. Since it is unknown before playing a game how family friendly it is; it is possible that this magazine will preview a game, and then the review will expose problems previously unknown. Family Friendly Gaming promises to always ask the question: "how God feels about certain video games." God's opinion on the matter is more important than any mere mortal. Which is why the rest of the industry does not influence FFG.



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The Sound Off section is where you the reader/emailer is heard. What you have to say is put in this section for all the readers to see. Of course certain content is edited for appropriateness issues. This is a family friendly magazine, and certain content is just not proper. We hope you enjoy this section as much as we do. Keep an eye out for your comments appearing in these very pages. You have our attention, so SOUND OFF!

You are making a difference

Dear Mr. Bury,

Your online magazine and website is clearly making a difference. The PC game "Planet Coaster" is now available in physical copy format. It has been rated G by the Australian Classification Board with the consumer advice of "Very mild themes, online interactivity". Also, the ESRB has given "Planet Coaster" a complete rating summary which reads as follows:

This is a strategy game in which players create and manage a theme park with roller coasters. Players can modify landscapes, create concession stands, and build customiz-

able roller coasters to please crowds and earn in-game currency. Unfinished coasters may cause cars to fly into crowded walkways; people are depicted hurtling into the air when struck—though they quickly get back up. One coaster ride can cause customers to get nauseous, resulting in a vomit animation; park guests leave a beige splash on the ground.

I just thought you might like to know that your influence extends above and beyond those of us who follow you closely to those who are in charge in the gaming world.

Have a nice day, and God Bless You.

Sincerely,
David

{Paul}: David,

Thank you so much for the support, and the update on Planet Coaster. This is great to see. We have noticed this more and more often recently. More of the companies are moving into physical copies. I have lost track of how long we have worked on spreading awareness on this issue. I get emails all the time telling me a certain game that was previously digital download only is getting a physical copy There are some great companies providing for families with physical copy video games. We do what we can to publish as many press releases

as we can that show physical copies are being made. Little by little we have seen growth in this and it is fantastic.

Politics

They are. How many people say,"Jesus never said anything about (insert some controversial sin here)." Well, He did not talk about murder either so I guess that makes murder okay in their minds. It's ridiculous. The Jews knew the Law. Jesus did not have to talk about everything. What also bothers me is all the liberals who claim that Jesus was a socialist somehow. "He said to feed the poor. Republicans who claim to be Christians and pro-life want to take away government spending for these things and give it all to the rich. Someone can't possibly be a true Christian and support defunding Planned Parenthood." You've heard the stupidity before I'm sure so I'll leave that there. It's a shame that people are either willfully ignorant or are intentionally deceptive. Jesus told us everything He needed us to know. He never had to go and define everything as either right or wrong. He never said,"Accept everything and everyone's lifestyles and use the government to pay for the poor," despite what leftists want us to believe. The government has a legitimate purpose; its purpose is not to take care of everyone. It's better for charities to do it. (On that point,

one never hears how Christians give more to charity than most other groups if not all other groups.) It's a shame how many Joel Osteens there are who basically,"Twist God's arm to get what you want." That's not what God said either. There are boundaries the Bible puts in place on anyone. I wonder what they'd say if I said,"But what if to me prosperity means engaging in sin?" I wonder if they'd have an answer.
-Dan

{Paul}: Dan,

Excellent points. There are plenty of selective scripture readers. Many like to put a period when God was still talking. I constantly try to find balance between feed the poor, and a man should not eat if he does not work. Both of them are in the Bible. Jesus made the points on all of the major issues of the day. Sadly too few pay attention to them. Take for example video games, social media, movies, television, and more. Jesus was extremely clear - God first. If it interferes with doing God's will in your life then it is a problem. If it is Facebook, or Twitter, or some television show; whatever. If we put it above God, and give it the first fruits of our time, then it is a problem.

When it comes to truth. Jesus was clear on that. He is truth. Anyone asking what truth is, can find the answer simply by reading what Jesus said. When it comes to answering questions. Jesus was

clear on that. Let your yes be yes, and your no be no. Anything else comes from the evil one. So when people are quibbling over their words used in answers, that comes from the evil one.

My opinion is there is a lot of ignorance by those trying to twist God's word to fit into their view of the world. Instead of changing their hearts to fit into God's view. There are plenty of lies that come from the majority of the media. Especially in the gaming media. From what Jesus said we know exactly where that comes from.

Cooking Mama

Will Family Friendly Gaming review Cooking Mama Sweet Shop on the Nintendo 3DS? I am not sure if it is worth the money since Rising Star Games did it. Why didn't Majesco Entertainment do it? I am waiting to buy this game until I hear from Family Friendly Gaming. What do

you think?
- Sara

{Yolanda}: Sara,

Great questions thank you for asking them. Everyone here at Family Friendly Gaming also wants to thank you for putting your trust in us in regards to which games to buy. We tell these companies all the time that their failure to work with us costs them sales. Or it will delay their sales. They have to live with the decisions they make. We treat all them with respect, in a professional manner, with kindness, honesty, and in a loving manner according to Jesus Christ.

Yes we are reviewing Cooking Mama Sweet Shop. That review



SOUND OFF Continued

is in this very issue. I will let you read it, and then you can decide if you want to make a purchase or not. I think the review speaks for itself. I can understand your apprehension concerning Rising Star Games. They do not have the best track record. Majesco died off in 2015 sadly. There was not a lot of news surrounding it though. It is interesting that companies send out all kinds of press releases when they do this and they do that. However there is little from them when they go belly up.

Family Safe Versions of Games

I read your article - 'Family Safe Versions of Games' and I agree completely. My guess is most companies will not want to do it because they will say it costs too much money. How much more money will they make if they drop the bad content that gives them a higher rating? It is like 'R' movies make half as much money as 'PG-13' movies. Why would any intelligent Hollywood executive even make a 'R' movie anymore?

I would buy games if they tone down the sex, violence, and bad language. Especially the bad language. I do not talk like that. None of my friends talk like that. We do not want to hear that horrible language all of the time. We need more

games with less bad stuff in them. Thank you for writing that article. It is nice to know there is at least one gaming media outlet that speaks for the majority of the people out here. - Tom

{Paul}: Tom,

You honor me with your wonderful words of encouragement. I can not take complete credit for it. Ideas for articles come from a variety of sources. My wife, and sons give me all kinds of wonderful ideas. The Holy Spirit leads me to topics to discuss a lot of the time. Ideas can come at church, the store, driving, and more.

You are so right about the movies. I wish there were more companies that thought of this. Maybe they will read your email and decide to do something about it going forward. I always have hope they will the right thing. I always give them the benefit of the doubt that they will step up to the plate and hit a home run for families. Sure there have been disappointments. Sure there have been problems. Anyone out there doing evil has an opportunity to repent and turn.

I completely agree with you concerning the bad language. I wish more companies would be sensitive to those of us who do not want to hear such filth. I am amazed at how they will tolerate all kinds of evil things, and then attack anyone who wants good morals, and ethics

out in the public forum. A terrible double standard that professional gaming media people should correct.

There are a few other Christian media outlets out there. Christ Centered Gamer, and Clash Entertainment come to mind. There is also Christian video games, and the CGDC (Christian Game Developers Conference) that are trying to improve the video game industry. We are not the only one out there trying to make a difference. We have been out here for a long time, but so has Al Menconi Ministries for example. I am very thankful that you think so highly of us. We are only human and we do make mistakes. We are far from perfect. Even with so many proofing we still find mistakes that made it through. Please keep that in mind as you read what we write.

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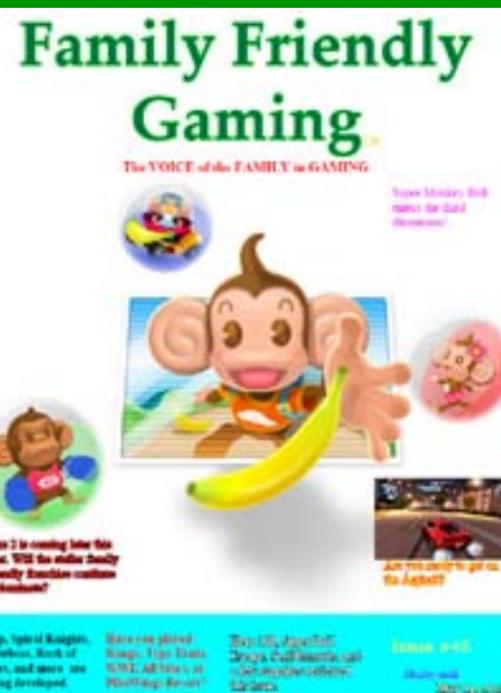
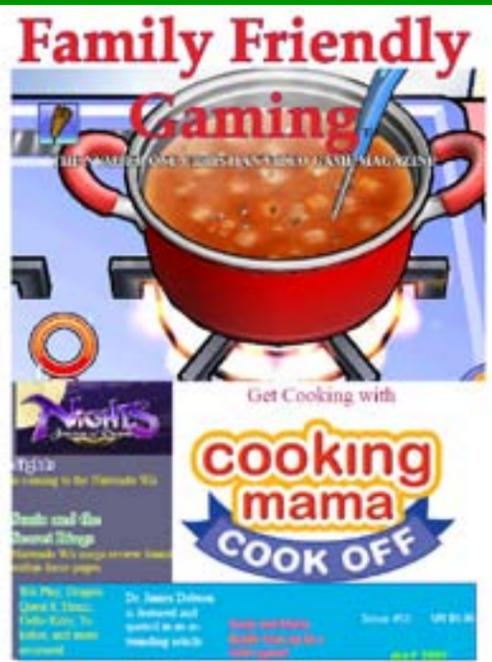
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LOOK BACK

QUIZ

There has been a lot of history made here at Family Friendly Gaming. Let us take a look at some of the historic front covers to a few of the issues in our long and storied history.



Family Friendly Gaming decided to do some fun little historic quizzes. Anyone who is not a business partner, advertiser, PR contact, or works for Family Friendly Gaming can answer these questions. Email answers to SoundOff@familyfriendlygaming.com. After three months the person with the most right answers will be emailed an Amazon gift card.

Question: How long have you been reading Family Friendly Gaming?

Answer:

Question: What does Family Friendly Gaming need to improve upon?

Answer:

Question: Which company has the most front cover honors?

Answer:

Question: What game was on the cover of Family Friendly Gaming issue #100?

Answer:

Question: How can you support good family friendly entertainment?

Answer:

Question: What does your entertainment choices say about you?

Answer:

Question: Do you practice patience?

Answer:

Question: Do you help others in your neighborhood?

Answer:

Question: Are you ready for the next question?

Answer:

Question: Which franchise has the most perfect 100 review scores?

Answer:

Question: How come cats land on their feet?

Answer:

Question: Which video game makes the world a better place?

Answer:

Question: How can you show your support to the Christian gaming community?

Answer:

DEVOTIONAL

Helpful Thoughts

Dwell on Good

In this day and age of fake news, propaganda, lies, attacks on truth, attacks on Christians, attacks on those with good morals, and worse; it can be so easy to focus on each battle against all of these different rebellions against God. It is so easy to focus on all of the evil that is on the march against the children of God. Should we focus on all of that evil? Sure it is great to sound the alarm. Sure it is great to stand up for what is right. How often do we focus on what is good?

What does the Holy Bible say on the topic?
Philippians 4:8 *Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.* The Apostle Paul taught us to think upon the good things. How many good things can you find in your life? How much time do you spend looking for the good things?

I will start us off with a listing of good things in my life. I am thankful for God, my life, wife, children, home, vehicles, protection, friends, parents,

brother, in-laws, a purpose in life, a brain that thinks, elders that challenge me spiritually, readers, viewers, advertisers, video games, systems, books, The Holy Bible, a garden, plants that grow, provision, creation, food, exercise, sleep, and more. The more time we spend focusing on the good, the more we find. It grows like a plant in good soil that is watered and has sunlight.

I love reading the context of a verse to see what else is going on. Paul had some great things to say leading up to **Philippians 4:8**. Let us take a look.
Philippians 4:4-7 *Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! 5 Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. 6 Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. 7 And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.* He was going through trials, tribulations, and persecution at this time in his life. With that backdrop it is astounding he is telling others to rejoice in the Lord Always. He even reinforces it with another rejoice. How often do we react that way when we are

attacked? He also taught us to be patient, pray, and to be thankful. How often do we focus on what we do not have? How much time do we focus on what we do have? How often are we showing our thankfulness for what others have done for us? Finally there is the peace of God that keeps us safe in Christ Jesus. There is a real trust there. How often do we trust God? How much more do we belly ache, moan and complain about what we do not have? A biting rebuke for all of us, myself included.

God Bless,
 Paul Bury

PRAYER

Jesus,
 I know that I am a sinner and need Your forgiveness. Nothing I can do of my own power will give me true joy. I believe that You died for my sins. I want to turn from my enslavement to sins, and repent of them. I now invite You to come into my heart and life. I want to trust and follow You as my personal Lord and Savior. I welcome the transforming power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

There are wise decisions we make in life and there are mistakes. Family Friendly Gaming wants to share some thoughts that can be helpful. Maybe this will bring more joy into your life. Maybe it will allow you to have better physical health. Maybe it will help you reach a better mental, psychological or emotional state. The goal of each column in each month is to share some helpful thoughts to you and your family.

Comfort

In this day and age in America too many people care about their own comfort. The priority of personal comfort has gotten too high. Not enough people are willing to sacrifice. Not enough people are willing to put others before themselves. Part of that has to do with the serious issue we have in this world of mega cities. The more crammed people get into small areas the worse it is for the environment, temperaments, and behavior. Selfishness spreads like a disease in mega cities. Not enough people want to do things for themselves. They want to be served instead of actually serving. It is amazing how good it feels to serve others.

Look at what we do with Family Friendly Gaming. We are serving with our money, time, and talents. We may not have a lot of each of those, but we give what we have. We care enough to express a diverse opinion in the video game industry.

It is interesting that people in the country do much more for themselves. People in the country help out a whole lot more. In fact the ratio of people offering to help in the country is much higher in our experiences. Why is that do you think? We have our own opinions on it. We think it has to do with being closer to God's creation. It also has to do with having more land between people. The culture and atmosphere is more loving and caring in the country. Survival is part of the lifestyle in the country. There is not time to be concerned over our own comfort. Staying alive is a higher priority. Do you agree with that opinion? Do you disagree? Why do you think people are more helpful in the country?

God designed our hearts and minds a certain way. We are programmed for putting others before ourselves. We are programmed to serve God. There are definitely those that rebel against that. There are definitely

those that choose to follow Satan over God. We have noticed those that follow Satan are always very unhappy, and miserable. They try to spread that misery like a disease. They do not want to be alone feeling so horrible. Yet the solution is so simple. The solution is right there. End the rebellion and accept the right life priority listing is:

GOD
 OTHERS
 SELF

Once that is accomplished it is amazing how happy you will become. It is astounding how much time is wasted on meaningless entertainment that does nothing for us. Cooks getting chopped from a show, people surviving a tropical island, young people back stabbing one another in a house, and more. How many people feel better about themselves after watching others doing gross, disgusting, and nasty things? How many of us feel better after seeing others fail at a difficult task? How many of us could actually do those tasks? Do you have American Grit? Are you a Survivor? Could you handle Big Brother watching you? Why waste your time with them?

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The Good Catholic Coming September 8th

Indiana-based production company Pigasus Pictures will release its first feature film, THE GOOD CATHOLIC, with Broad Green Pictures distributing the picture in select theaters nationwide and day-and-date on VOD September 8. Writer/Director Paul Shoulberg's award-winning romantic comedy stars Zachary Spicer, Wrenn Schmidt, John C. McGinley and four-time Emmy Award® nominee Danny Glover and follows a priest who suffers a crisis of faith when he falls for a young woman. Broad Green Pictures will also handled the physical home entertainment release later in the year.

THE GOOD CATHOLIC was inspired by the true story of Writer/Director Paul Shoulberg's parents and

serves as a tribute to Shoulberg's recently deceased father, Donald Shoulberg, who was a small town priest who fell in love with Paul's mother who at the time was a practicing nun.

THE GOOD CATHOLIC had its world premiere at the 2017 Santa Barbara Film Festival where it won the Panavision Spirit Award for Best Feature Film. In addition, the film took home the Leonardo Da Vinci's Horse Award for Best Screenplay at the Milan International Film Festival and was named Best Film at New Jersey's Grove Film Festival.

Written and Directed by Paul Shoulberg, THE GOOD CATHOLIC is Produced by Zachary Spicer, John Robert Armstrong and Graham Sheldon and Executive Produced by David Anspaugh and Jordan Gershowitz.

Synopsis:

Daniel (Zachary Spicer) is a young, idealistic priest who loves his work more than anything. While he struggles to find balance between the dueling philosophies of his mentors, Father Victor (Danny Glover), an old school, no nonsense traditionalist, and Father Ollie (John C. McGinley), a chain-smoking, carb addicted Franciscan, Daniel's passion for his calling never waivers. And then he meets Jane. After a chance encounter during a late night confession, the complicated and mysterious Jane (Wrenn Schmidt), starts to open up Daniel's world to an entirely different set of possibilities. And problems. As new bonds form and old ones are tested, Daniel must decide what his true calling really is — and whether or not he has the courage to answer it.

Ys SEVEN Announced for Windows PC

XSEED Games, the independent-minded console publishing brand of Marvelous USA, Inc., announced that Ys SEVEN, developer Nihon Falcom's first entry in a new generation of its beloved series of action RPGs, is headed to Windows PC via Steam, GOG, and The Humble Store by Humble Bundle this summer. Originally released for the PlayStation®Portable (PSP®) handheld system in 2010, Ys SEVEN will arrive on Windows PC with all the features of a modern PC release, including full HD, a smooth 60fps framerate, plug-and-play controller compatibility, and achievements on applicable platforms such as Steamworks and GOG Galaxy.

Offering satisfyingly fast-paced, real-time action, Ys SEVEN features a combat system that involves a three-member battle party with the ability to swap among characters at will. Series veterans and newcomers



alike can expect to be immersed in a rich, vibrant world containing over 30 hours of action-packed gameplay and an epic storyline wherein players must reunite the estranged five tribes who serve and protect the Five Great Dragons – deified beings who may well be the world’s last hope. Ys SEVEN was the first title in the long-running action RPG franchise to reach a wide mainstream audience in the West, and the first title in this historically PC-centric series to be developed from the ground up for a console or handheld system since the mid-‘90s.

Ys SEVEN is developed by Nihon Falcom and is published worldwide for Windows PC by XSEED Games. The PSP®system release has been rated “T for Teen” by the ESRB. The Windows PC version of the game is not rated by the ESRB.

No word on a physical copy of this game on the PC at this time. Families are required to pay for Internet usage fees to download this game. For more information click here.

Elena of Avalor Celebrations to Remember coming September 12th

Elena is back with all-new adventures coming to DVD with the release of Elena of Avalor: Celebrations to Remember! Join Elena and her friends and family as they celebrate holidays that honor the past, cherish the present and look forward towards a magical future! In these new adventures Avalor celebrates Navidad, Dia de los Muertos and Carnaval! There’s something special to look forward to with each holiday!

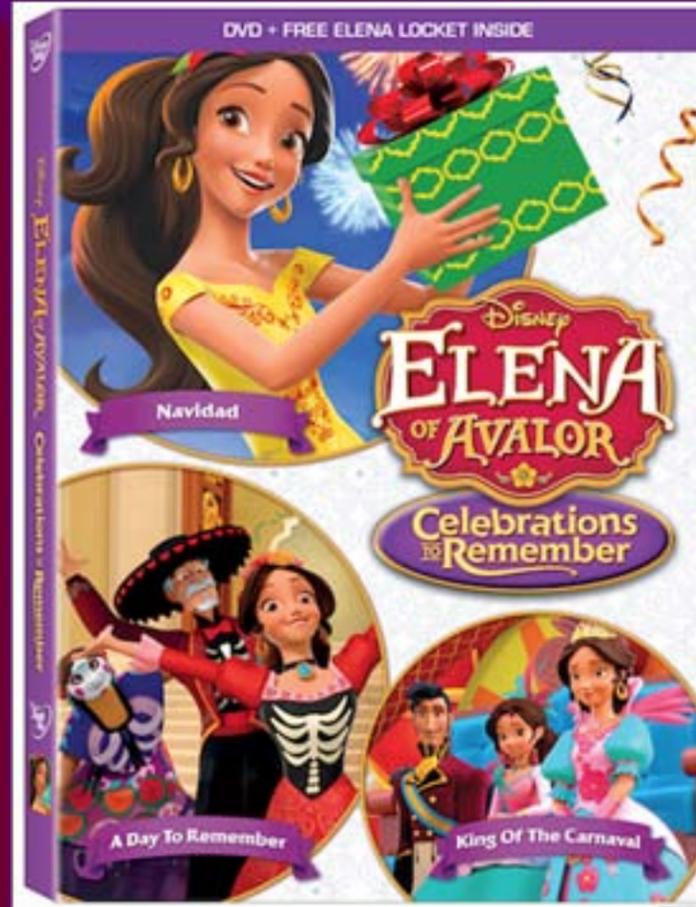
This DVD is packed with laughs, new characters to cherish, and heart. Elena of Avalor: Celebrations to Remember is a must-own for the entire family! Includes Four Celebration Themed Episodes, Plus Two Bonus Episodes and a FREE Exclusive Elena Locket!

Bring home this charming series on Disney DVD September 12th!

Synopsis: Light the candles, prepare the feasts and share the fun of Celebrations to Remember.

Join Crown Princess Elena, along with her family and friends, as they honor the past, rejoice in the present and greet the future with music, laughter and love. Whether celebrating Navidad, Dia de los Muertos or Carnaval, new and older traditions alike play a part. And even though everyone doesn’t always agree on the best way to get the party started, one thing is perfectly clear: holidays aren’t about what you do; they’re about the special people you spend them with!

Voice Cast: Aimee Carrero as Princess Elena; Jenna Ortega as Princess Isabel; Chris Parnell as Migs; Yvette Nicole Brown as Luna; Carlos Alazraqui as Skylar; Emiliano Díez as Francisco; Julia Vera as Luisa; Christian Lanz as Chancellor Esteban; Jillian Rose Reed as Naomi; Joseph Haro as Mateo;



Jorge Diaz as Gabe; Keith Ferguson as Zuzo; Joe Nunez as Armando and Jane Fonda as Shuriki.

Creator/Executive Producer: Craig Gerber

Release Date: September 12, 2017

Episodes:

A Day to Remember

Navidad

King of the Carnaval

My Fair Naomi

Bonus Episodes: Crystal in the Rough

Captain Turner Returns

Ratings: TVY (US); G (CE)

Run Time: Approximately 132 minutes (including bonus)

Aspect Ratio: 1.78:1 Widescreen (Enhanced for 16x9 Televisions)

Audio: 2.0 Dolby Digital

Languages: English, French & Spanish

Wuppo coming to PS4 and Xbox One this September

SOEDESCO announced that 2D action adventure Wuppo will be coming to PlayStation 4 and Xbox One in September of this year.

Hidden Gem

Players on Steam love Wuppo. From the quirky and unique art style, the Fantastic gameplay, to the great sense of humor that makes for hilarious interaction with the many NPCs in the game. The dialogue is non-static and talking to characters more than once will give players a better understanding of the deep lore behind the charming world of Wuppo.

It’s great that as of this September players on PS4™ and Xbox One can also enjoy playing Wuppo on their console.

Features

- Explore a wondrous world filled with Wums, Fnackers and other strange creatures.
- Resolve an ancient conflict on your quest for a new home.
- Use items and social skills to overcome diverse challenges.
- Fight numerous enemies, ranging from small, to big, to MASSIVE!
- Collect filmstrips to discover the world’s detailed history.
- Enjoy an enchanting and memorable orchestrated soundtrack.



In The News Continued

The Charlie Church Mouse Show on Amazon Video

Do you have a special child in your life ages 3-7? Could they benefit from a TV show that reinforces your Christian values?

Introducing The Charlie Church Mouse Show . . . NOW AVAILABLE on Amazon Video!

Charlie Church Mouse and his lovable cast of friends will inspire your child to learn, explore, and have fun.

Every episode . . .

- teaches life lessons based on biblical principals
- reinforces academic lessons vital to early childhood development
- has catchy fun songs that will have your kids singing along



CARRIED AWAY Ski Stations Builder Physics Sandbox Out in October

CARRIED AWAY, the first physics based puzzle sandbox in which you can design and build ski lifts, jumps and bridges, will be released

in October on Steam. The title will appear in Early Access and will remain like that for about 6-12 months.

The game represents a refreshing icy breeze to the bridge building genre. With a limited budget you will have to construct chairlifts, drag lifts, gondolas, jumps and bridges to help skiers navigate a range of mountain terrain. The game will contain 50 levels and a stage editor so you can share your challenging creations with the Community.

CARRIED AWAY is developed by the three-men indie studio Huge Calf. This is the first title of an enthusiastic team passionate on videogames.

No word a on physical copy version of this game at this time. Families are required to pay for Internet usage fees to download this game. For more information click [here](#).

In The News Continued

Pylon Rogue Coming on September 21

QuantumSquid will bring their challenging rogue-like, action role-playing game, Pylon: Rogue, to Steam for Windows on Sept. 21, 2017.

Choose from four heroes, each with three distinct play styles.

Blaze through enemies with the brute strength of the Fire Golem; turn enemies and their attacks into precious gems with the Moneydin; get up-close and personal with the Assassin, or keep distance and master the deadly accuracy of the Ranger.

Take down enemies, locate hidden treasure chests, or cash in a pile of gems at the shop for a wide assortment of bonuses and hero enhancements.

Collected abilities can often be stacked or combined, resulting in an entertainingly varied and dynamic character-customization system. Confuse enemies with the “Rubber Duck” collectable. There are 40+ special items, weapons, and armor to discover that strategically shape your play.

No two quests are ever the same; thanks to procedurally-enhanced maps, enemies, items and loot drops.

With just one life to finish a quest; making it through the all of the jungle, desert, and cave areas takes skill, perseverance and a bit of luck. Achieve victory and slay the final boss, then choose another character, and play again for a totally new experience.

New content for Steam Early Access Owners.

Based on player feedback during Early Access on Steam, QuantumSquid has revised and expanded Pylon: Rogue’s content for the official launch to include new cave levels, an assortment of new enemies, new weapon-styles, and a final boss encounter.

“We are long-time fans of Action-RPGs, with the deep character customization they offer, but these games require a considerable time commitment to complete,” says Dane Emerson, founder, QuantumSquid. “Pylon: Rogue takes the essence of Action-RPG character customization and combines it with the fast-paced, arcade play-style of a Rogue-like. The result is an original experience that offers layered character progression, and a constant sense of discovery, in short, sprint-based play.”

Pylon: Rogue will be available for \$14.99 on Steam, with a 50% off sale for a limited time at launch.

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In The News Continued

SOEDESCO Announces Real Farm Sim

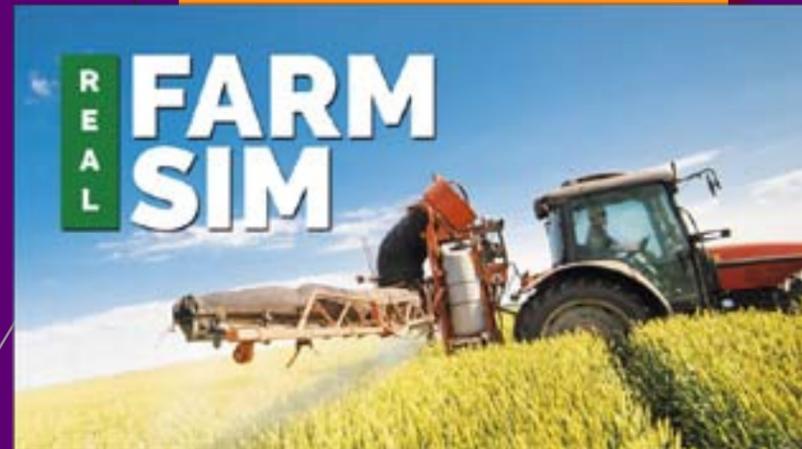
SOEDESCO announced that they are working on a new title. Real Farm Sim is the third original SOEDESCO IP. The game will release both boxed and digitally on PlayStation® 4, Xbox One and PC in Q4 of this year. There will also be a PlayStation® 4 Pro, Xbox One X and Nintendo Switch version available soon.

The SOEDESCO mission is to publish games for everyone and with Real Farm Sim the publisher is adding yet another genre to its IP portfolio. Previous first party titles include action adventure Adam's Venture and music-themed RPG AereA.

Hans van Brakel, Executive Manager at SOEDESCO on the choice of genre: "We noticed a lot of interest in the farming simulation

genre, but we feel nobody's really bringing anything new to the table. With Real Farm Sim, we want to improve the farming simulation experience with new-gen game mechanics and new-gen graphics. The game is called Real Farm Sim for a reason: it gives players the real farming experience."

Real Farm Sim is developed by Triangle Studios.



makes the video game companies look really generous. There is now a serious problem with that. How many of these video game companies that gave us digital downloads took them away at some future date? In essence they did not give us a free copy of the game. They gave us an extended rental. This is a whole lot less than the full copy of the game. At this point I do not want a digital download whenever there is a physical copy version available. I knew many of these video game companies were slimy, and shady. I did not realize how bad until I came across this truth. This is a truth that I needed to share with you. How many other gaming media outlets are checking on this? How many others are reporting on it?

God bless,
Paul Bury
Family Friendly Gaming

CHESS ULTRA Coming to Nintendo Switch

Ripstone, the British publisher behind hit games including Ironcast, Stick it to the Man, and Extreme Exorcism, is excited to reveal that Chess Ultra, their new in-house developed chess title will launch this year on Nintendo Switch™. Chess Ultra features stunning visuals, seamless online multiplayer and Grandmaster-approved AI that offers the ultimate chess experience.

Ripstone have been publishing games for over five years, and are on the verge of releasing Ironcast on Nintendo Switch™ next week, but Chess Ultra is the first game to be crafted by their own in-house development team.

Key features of the game include...

- Stunning environments and beautiful

In The News Continued

Companies Taking Away Games

Family Friendly Gaming, the industry leader in covering the family friendly video games is chronicling another problem with digital downloadable video games. What is this problem? Something we noticed recently when we tried to go back and play certain games. What is it that we noticed? They no longer work. These video game companies can make a digital download code with little effort. We were going to do a video series on SimCity on the Personal Computer. Electronic Arts would not let us play the game anymore. That is pretty lame. XField Paintball 3 is a game that expired the day after it was officially released. Not that we wanted to play it anymore. Kinect Sports Rivals also expired pretty quickly after the review came out. Thank you Microsoft.

Companies cannot expire a physical copy

version of a video game. In fact we go back and play older games on older systems all of the time. We are finding that is becoming more and more of a problem with digital downloads. Just another reason to dislike digital downloadable codes compared to physical copy versions of video games. I must admit I was pretty shocked about it. As someone who has a partial heritage of Cherokee in his blood, I immediately thought of the "Indian Giver" insult from the past. I am not going to use it. I am just letting you know the thought crossed my mind. Did that same thought cross your mind when you first heard about this? I do not have the time to check on every single digital downloadable game to find out how deep this problem goes.

Another reason this bothers me is the FCC requires we disclose when a video game company provides us a copy of a game. It

chess sets, including a 'Fire and Brimstone' chess set that literally burns

- 10 Grandmaster approved AI levels
- Comprehensive time controls, including Classical, Blitz and Marathon, all available online
- Intuitive local and online multiplayer with ELO ranking system
- Over 80 chess puzzles
- Re-write the past by winning the biggest historic matches

In-depth tutorials
More details, and Nintendo specific features, will be revealed soon.

The game launched earlier this summer on PlayStation 4, Xbox One, PC & VR, and was positively received by chess enthusiasts and new

players alike. "The team here at Ripstone are delighted to bring Chess Ultra to Nintendo Switch, it gives players a completely different, intuitive way to play the game. There's a lot of lifelong Nintendo fans in the studio, and we love being able to support the console" states Matt Southern, Head of Development at Ripstone.



WE WOULD PLAY THAT!

REVIEWS

There are all kinds of cool family friendly video game ideas out there. This column features ideas of video games we would play. We hope games like these are created in the near future. Can you make it happen?

There has been a drought in recent years of video games that target kids. There has been a real lack of Early Childhood video games in recent years. Family Friendly Gaming would happily play some new kid games. Children still play video games, and video games are one of the best ways to teach human beings.

There could be some new Sesame Street video games. How about a video game that teaches numbers and letters? What about video games that teach mathematics? There could be video games

that teach real and true science. There could be video games that teach higher math like Calculus. Video games can teach the importance of truth, honesty, and integrity. We could play some new Dora the Explorer, or Go Diego Go video games. There are plenty of PBS shows that could be made into video games. PBS makes so much money they could probably create their own video games.

There are so many different educational uses for video games. There is such an opportunity and a huge market for them. Plenty of parents look at video games and want to find something safe for their children. There was such a revolution in the past with all kinds of video games for children. Family Friendly Gaming has done video series on these games and they are very popular. The most Youtube success we have received

is based on video games for kids. They are popular and widely sought after.

There is a real hunger for good kid video games in the industry. I call on all of the caring, compassionate video game companies to create some new kid based video games. There are plenty of franchises that can be used. There are plenty of ideas that are out there. Family Friendly Gaming has already given you some ideas. Your company can run with them. We are not charging you any fees for creating video games off of our ideas.

So what say you? Would you play some new kid video games? Would you buy an EC rated video game? Do you think your company can make this happen? Who is strong enough to rise to the challenge? Who is bold enough to make it happen?

Welcome to our reviews section. We have a couple of rules when it comes to our reviews. The reviewer must give an honest accounting as to why he/she liked or disliked something. No fanboy reviews allowed here, or at the very least they are discouraged (after all everyone has their own personal biases, likes, and dislikes). Everyone also has different tolerances, and weaknesses - we strive to keep that in mind in our reviews. We have been burned ourselves by reviews saying a certain game is great, only to be greatly offended by that game. Reviewers must be kind in their reviews. A game may be horrible, but there is no need to degrade the developer, publisher, artists, etc. There is also no need for name calling.

We review video games on five separate criteria: graphics, sound, replay/extras, gameplay, and family friendly factor. Review scale can be found here. The editor in chief coordinates reviews to have as much cohesion as possible. We are very open about the way we review video games. Each section starts with a 75 score, and can earn or lose points based on the content of the game, using our grading scale (found on the website).

Parents, please do not take any of our reviews as gospel. Different people are offended by different things. We work hard here at Family Friendly Gaming to discern the good from the bad in the teachings of each different video game. What may seem harmless to our reviewer(s), could be a big deal to you. We encourage you to spend time with your children and investigate each video game yourself. Each review is written with you in mind, and we try to mention each problem we find. We are not perfect, and miss things from time to time - just as the ESRB does. The ESRB rating is merely a start, and since they ignore many of the moral and spiritual factors important to parents all across America, we do our small part to fill that huge void. We are a small ministry and your prayers are so very important to us.

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Matthew 19:13-14

13 Then people brought little children to Jesus for him to place his hands on them and pray for them. But the disciples rebuked them.

14 Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." 15 When he had placed his hands on them, he went on from there.

Cooking Mama Sweet Shop

SCORE: 100



Cooking Mama Sweet Shop is the fourth game to receive a perfect one hundred score from Family Friendly Gaming. It is also a game where the PR and Marketing people failed us. Family Friendly Gaming purchased a copy of Cooking Mama Sweet Shop. It is great to see the FFG Hall of Famer come back and earn the rarely given seal of approval on the Nintendo 3DS.

Families get a lot of things to do in Cooking Mama Sweet Shop. There is a Photo Studio, My Shop, Let's Shop, Mama's Gallery, Let's Make Sweets, and World Challenge. Every time we make a new recipe that item is then added to our shop. We can go into the shop and sell those items. The money we make is used to upgrade the shop, the kitchen, mama, and more. This hand held game lets us decorate as well as bake.

The sounds are fantastic in Cooking Mama Sweet Shop. The graphics look wonderful. I noticed a nice upgrade in the presentation from previous Mama games. It is so wonderful to see a traditional



woman back in the video game industry again. The 3D effects in Cooking Mama Sweet Shop are amazing. The game play is also

improved in Cooking Mama Sweet Shop. There is more time and better explanations for the mini games.

The more I played Cooking Mama Sweet Shop the more I got into it. Cooking Mama Sweet Shop sucked me in, and kept me there happily for many hours. There are 160 mini games in Cooking Mama Sweet Shop played across sixty different recipes. Cooking Mama Sweet Shop also has the local



download play where up to four family members can enjoy this game at the same time. Please note that you will need one Nintendo 3DS per player to do that. I believe Cooking Mama Sweet Shop is worth the thirty dollar price tag it comes with.

I had so much fun playing Cooking Mama Sweet Shop. Paul is planning on doing a video series of this game in the future. I hope you enjoy that as much as I enjoyed this Nintendo 3DS video game. Hopefully Rising Star Games can clean up their act going forward. I am recommending

Cooking Mama Sweet Shop on the Nintendo 3DS to families. This game has a traditional woman helping us out in the kitchen. She also decorates and runs a shop. We need more games like Cooking Mama Sweet Shop in the video game industry.
- Yolanda

System: Nintendo 3DS
 Publisher: Rising Star Games
 Developer: Cooking Mama Limited
 Rating: 'E' - Everyone SIX and OLDER ONLY {Alcohol Reference}



Graphics: 100%
 Sound: 100%
 Replay/Extras: 98%
 Gameplay: 100%
 Family Friendly Factor: 100%

Mario Sports Superstars

SCORE: 85



It is a shame the PR and Marketing for Nintendo failed Family Friendly Gaming. They wound up costing themselves sales. They have to live with the consequences of their decision. I like Mario Sports Superstars. This hand held video game comes with Soccer, Baseball, Tennis, Horse Racing, and Golf. Each of these sports are scaled down versions of previous Mario Sports video games. Families must go through a tutorial before they can play any of the sports in Mario Sports Superstars.

Mario Sports Superstars can be played locally with others that also have a Nintendo 3DS. It can also be played across the Internet. Players can

power up thanks to the Amiibo cards. Mario Sports Superstars even comes with one Amiibo card. The presentation and graphics in Mario Sports Superstars impressed me. I enjoyed playing all of the games. I even dominated in some of them.

Each of the sports in Mario Sports Superstars is lacking depth. Which is not necessarily a bad thing considering we get five of them. I believe Mario Sports Superstars is worth twenty dollars brand new. Tournaments are the main game play mode in Mario Sports Superstars. Beat one to unlock the next one. If you lose to a character in the tournament you can try them again to change the outcome.

Expect all kinds



of Mario power ups in Mario Sports Superstars. The tennis is especially stacked with them. There are a nice amount of things that can be done in the golf. Controls change across the mini games. There is almost always some kind of mini game interaction to do things like pitch. I am surprised that I liked the horse racing so much.

If you are looking for a sports game on the Nintendo 3DS, then you might want to check out Mario Sports Superstars. I had a good time with it while I played it. I would like to see more games like this one in the future. It was a pleasure to play and review this game.
- Paul



System: Nintendo 3DS
 Publisher: Nintendo
 Developer: Camelot Software Planning
 Rating: 'E' - Everyone SIX and OLDER ONLY



Graphics: 90%
 Sound: 90%
 Replay/Extras: 80%
 Gameplay: 85%
 Family Friendly Factor: 80%

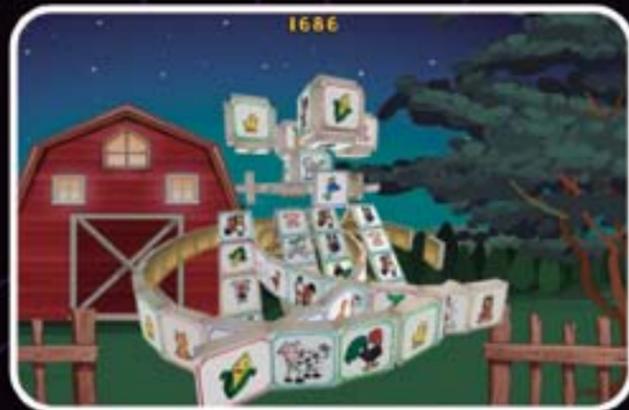


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Valkyria Revolution

SCORE: 48

Hopefully you enjoyed the Unboxing video we did of Valkyria Revolution. If not, you can check it out here. I addressed the failures of the PR and Marketing over at Sega. Valkyria Revolution is more of a failure than that. This game is more cut scene than it is game. The cut scenes get boring as Valkyria Revolution drills the concepts of revenge, manipulating public opinion, and using war. Thankfully these cut scenes can be skipped.

I would spend five to ten minutes in a mission, and then thirty to sixty minutes in cut scenes. Valkyria Revolution is horrible that way. Want to know what is even worse? This game is an action adventure role playing game. Gone is

the turn based game play mechanics that made the last game semi interesting. Valkyria Revolution is like the battle areas of a Tales of game. The one difference is we do not run around the field finding the enemies. We see them, and engage immediately.

Issues families will have with Valkyria Revolution are violence, blood, lack of attire, enticement to lust, bad language, magic, alchemy, Grim Reaper, false goddess belief indoctrination, and more. I ran into some odd glitches while playing Valkyria Revolution too. Enemy tanks would visually disappear but I was still hitting them. There were a few other minor issues.

Valkyria Revolution revolves around an okay story with okay music. These five people want revenge against Grand Generals, and an Emperor from a neighboring country because they burned down their orphanage. These five

were the only ones to survive. They want to save Maria who was kidnapped. So they whip their country into war so they can get their revenge. At the end they die for their crimes. Don't worry about spoilers, it tells us from the beginning they were executed.

I like the voice acting in Valkyria Revolution. The forty dollar price tag is decent. I like little knick knacks that come with Valkyria Revolution. Ultimately they are a bit meaningless. I am not into the music so the CD is a bit of a waste. I hope Valkyria Revolution does not kill the franchise entirely. Maybe Sega will figure it out going forward. The game play in Valkyria Revolution is horrible. - Paul

System: Xbox One/PS Vita/PS4(tested)
 Publisher: Sega
 Developer: Media.Vision
 Rating: 'T' - THIRTEEN and OLDER ONLY (Mild Blood, Mild Suggestive Themes, Use of Tobacco, Violence)

Graphics: 40%
 Sound: 50%
 Replay/Extras: 70%
 Gameplay: 40%
 Family Friendly Factor: 40%

Lego Dimensions Goonies Level Pack

SCORE: 57

I am so thankful that my dad spent his own money to buy Lego Dimensions Goonies Level Pack. He purchased it when it was half off, so he only

had to pay fifteen dollars for it. That price is actually almost reasonable for Lego Dimensions Goonies Level Pack. It comes with Sloth, One-Eyed Willy's Pirate Ship, and the Skeleton Organ. The pirate ship transforms into Fanged Fortune, and The Interno Cannon. The organ transforms into Skeleton Jukebox, and Skele-Turkey.

The battle arena for Lego Dimensions Goonies Level Pack is Shipwreck Grotto. I do not like this battle arena. It is lame with too many traps. The skills Sloth have are Cracked Lego Objects, Super Strength Handles, Grapple, Dig, Dive, and Target. He has a good range of skills that are helpful in the Goonies level. It



took just under an hour to go through the Goonies level.

There is also a Goonies world area that comes with Lego Dimensions Goonies Level Pack. It has a decent size to it. The comments from Sloth are pretty lame. We ran into multiple glitches while playing Lego Dimensions Goonies Level Pack. In fact we got another save corrupted while playing Lego Dimensions Goonies Level Pack. Thankfully we have a backup on a flash drive. Hundreds of hours would have been lost if

we had not done that.

Lego Dimensions Goonies Level Pack touches on the Goonies movie, and shows us some of the areas. Lego Dimensions Goonies Level Pack starts mainly where we run into Sloth in the movie. Lego Dimensions Goonies Level Pack felt really short to me. The two vehicles are about worthless in my opinion. We have to use the organ to get through certain areas.

It was funny to have Sloth and Superman together in the same place. The Skeleton Organ is surprisingly stable. The pirate ship has all kinds of parts that can easily fall off. So be careful with it. Sloth's extra head/hair piece is interesting and fits the character from the movie. If you are a super Lego Dimensions fan or a Goonies fan then you might like Lego Dimensions Goonies Level Pack. Just do not expect too much from it.
- Kid Gamer



Publisher: WB Games
Developer: TT Games
System: Wii U/PS3/Xbox 360/Xbox One/PS4(tested)
ESRB: 'E10+' - Everyone TEN and OLDER ONLY {Cartoon Violence, Crude Humor}



Graphics: 70%
Sounds: 55%
Replay/Extras: 50%
Gameplay: 50%
Family Friendly Factor: 60%

VIDEO GAME LIES



by
Paul Bury

Version 2

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ABZU

SCORE: 77



Kingdom Hearts 2.8

SCORE: 67



FFG purchased ABZU for twenty dollars a few months back. It sat in the pile until I decided to play it. An hour later I had finished the game.



robot friends, and these mines electrocuting us. SPOILER

Which makes me question the price. ABZU should only be five to ten dollars brand new. There is not enough game play in ABZU. In fact this is more of an interactive movie experience than a video game. No wonder the PR and Marketing failed us so horribly.

ALERT! At one point in ABZU we and the shark die. We then come back to life to get revenge on the triangle technology things. Somehow we can destroy them by touching them. I am not clear on what ABZU is trying to say there. Are we ghosts? Are we spirits? ABZU is not the most clear on what is actually going on. I suspect some religious teachings are being relayed at a lower level in



ABZU. The good news for this game is it has amazing graphics, and great music. We see how ABZU is all about restoring the ocean, and getting rid of technology that is shown as trash in ABZU. There is a meditate function in ABZU as well. I am not clear why though. I always meditate with the Holy Bible since it draws me closer to God. I was unable to meditate watching fish swim around.

The loading screens in ABZU are on the long side. There are a lot of different kinds of marine life in ABZU. None of them ever tried to hurt my swimming character though. Which is a bit odd when you think about the ecosystem in the ocean. There are plenty of things that should have tried to take a bite out of my character. The friendship with the shark was the strangest I have played in a video game in some time. - Paul

I have all kinds of warm and fuzzy feelings towards Family Friendly Gaming for purchasing a copy of Kingdom Hearts 2.8 on the Playstation 4. The PR and Marketing failures over at Square Enix continue with this remastered experience. Kingdom Hearts 2.8 contains Kingdom Hearts Dream Drop Distance HD, Kingdom Hearts 0.2 Birth by Sleep A Fragmentary Passage, and Kingdom Hearts X Back Cover. That last one is just the movies from the game. We get no game play action from it.

In my opinion Kingdom Hearts 2.8 should sell for no more than twenty dollars brand new. We get a Nintendo 3DS video game on a home console. We also get an add on



to a Playstation Portable game. Finally we get the movies from an iOS and Android app. Not much there. The current price for Kingdom Hearts 2.8 is over inflated. These are difficult games to play too. Why? They put me to sleep every time I play them.

The issues families need to be informed of that are within Kingdom Hearts 2.8 are violence, false gods, spirits, magic, lack of attire, enticement to lust, confusing storylines, and more. Kingdom Hearts 2.8 has some very colorful areas. We have to fight consistently in the first game, or we wind up swapping to the other character. The control schemes in Kingdom Hearts 2.8 leave a lot to be desired.

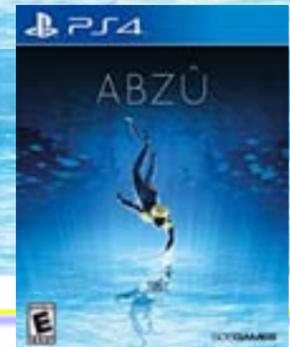
I like how Square Enix took three hand held games, and remastered them on the home console. Okay one we don't get to play, and another

one is an add on mission. Still they are putting multiple older games together and releasing them on newer systems. This is handy in the terms of the PSP game since those machines are notorious for breaking down so often.

I hated the diving levels in Kingdom Hearts Dream Drop Distance HD. Enemies in the games within Kingdom Hearts 2.8 love to move around. It can be a real pain to get to them. Thankfully the auto tracking in the attack can be helpful if you are close enough. I had to spin the camera around so often it got me sick. The lame control scheme in Kingdom Hearts 2.8 added to that frustration.

- Sam

System: PC/Xbox One/PS4(tested)
Publisher: 505 Games
Developer: Giant Squid
Rating: 'E' - Everyone SIX and OLDER ONLY {Mild Fantasy Violence}



Graphics: 90%
Sound: 90%
Replay: 50%
Gameplay: 75%
Family Friendly Factor: 80%

Publisher: Square Enix
Developer: Square Enix
System: Playstation 4
ESRB: 'E10+' - Everyone 10+ {Fantasy Violence, Mild Language}



Graphics: 65%
Sound: 80%
Replay/Extras: 80%
Gameplay: 50%
Family Friendly Factor: 60%



ATV Renegades



The Golf Club 2



SCORE: 52

SCORE: 78

I am thankful Family Friendly Gaming purchased a copy of ATV Renegades on the Playstation 4. PR and Marketing failures are pretty common place in this day and age now. It is sad we are getting used to them now.



female racers in ATV Renegades. The graphics in this home console racing game look like the previous generation. Two family members can struggle with ATV Renegades at the same time thanks to the split screen. Accidents in ATV Renegades can produce all kinds of strange results. It is easy to get stuck behind trees or other objects in ATV Renegades.

The first thing that greeted me in ATV Renegades was obnoxious music. I found the place to turn that music off. Then I was ready for some fun, amazing, and cool ATV racing.

There are regular races and elimination races in ATV Renegades. We do tricks in the air for boosts. There are small, medium and long tricks in ATV Renegades. Make sure you have enough air for a long boost. One mistake and you will likely place in last.

ATV Renegades is a racing game that is destined for the bargain bin. ATV Renegades might be worth five dollars brand new. I could adapt to the controls sometimes after enough practice of a track. The AI is really hard to beat in ATV Renegades. Watching them taught me which paths to take when it split into two. Renegade Kid did not seem to comprehend what easy is supposed to be.

I wish I could report the ATV racing in ATV Renegades is amazing. Sadly it is not. This game is hard on the easiest setting. The glitches are everywhere. I found we could drive sideways on walls. Okay drive may be a strong word. More like skid slowly back to the ground. I am not sure which is faster; crashing or skidding down a wall.

The controls in ATV Renegades gave me fits. I even changed to the ATV with the best handling. It was slightly better. There is a lack of attire on the

I am pleased this game received a physical copy release. ATV Renegades is the kind of a game that feels like a digital download only kind of title. Or one of the bargain titles at Walmart. - Frank

ATV Renegades is light on modes, tracks, racers, and vehicles. We can race twenty-four courses in Quick Race, World Tour, and Time Trial. The first World Tour must be beaten to unlock the next one. And so on.



I appreciate Family Friendly Gaming purchasing the Day One Edition of The Golf Club 2 on the Xbox One. This golf franchise has improved a little bit. It still has some work to do in terms of the controls. The PR and Marketing for this company failed us. Probably holding a grudge from the first time we reviewed this game on the PC.

can not be seen. Hitting the ball and putting are all based on feel. I can usually guess right about ten percent of the time. The other



The Golf Club 2 has some long loading times. We can control The Golf Club 2 with the right or left joysticks. There is still no guide to show us where the ball will go. Even Mario Golf has one of those. Some of the menu options are cut off on the screen and

ninety percent is missing. I also noticed the swing did not always match my motion. Others watched the controller and verified this glitch in The Golf Club 2.

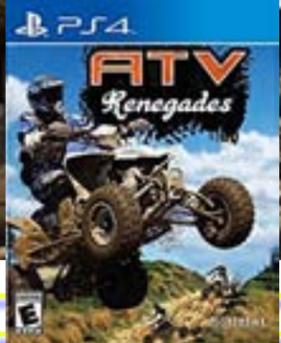
if something was going in the rough better than him though. He says he is only human.



The Golf Club 2 looks nice and sounds nice. The same announcer voice is used from the first game. He is generally nicer in the comments when we miss. He tries to be more encouraging in The Golf Club 2. I like that, and I have warmed up to him. I could gauge

The modes in The Golf Club 2 are Resumable, TGC Official, Suggested, Hot, All Courses, Handicap Rated, My Courses, My Favorites, My Played, Friends Courses, Active Courses, Friend Played. The things we can do in The Golf Club 2 are Play, Training, Career (confusing menu selections), Online Societies, Course Designer, and Change Profile. Multiple courses must be played to earn your handicap. There are plenty of courses, and items for your golfer. We can make our own courses too. - Frank

System: Xbox One/PS4(tested)
Publisher: Nighthawk Interactive
Developer: Renegade Kid
Rating: 'E' - Everyone SIX and OLDER ONLY {Mild Lyrics}



Graphics: 60%
Sounds: 50%
Replay/Extras: 50%
Gameplay: 40%
Family Friendly Factor: 60%

System: PC/PS4/Xbox One(tested)
Publisher: Maximum Games
Developer: HB Studios
Rating: 'E' - Everyone SIX and OLDER ONLY {Comic Mischief}



Graphics: 85%
Sound: 75%
Replay/Extras: 95%
Gameplay: 55%
Family Friendly Factor: 80%



Robinson The Journey

SCORE: 58



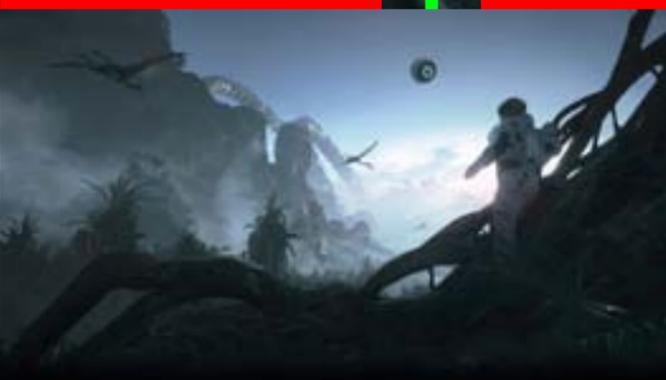
I am thankful Family Friendly Gaming purchased a copy of Robinson The Journey on the PS4 VR. A normal PS4 controller is used to control the character in Virtual Reality. Robinson The Journey also uses eye or head tracking. So like on the menu screens we look at what we want and then it highlights. From there we hit a button to select it.

Robinson The Journey gave me fits in so many arenas. I believe this game should be rated E10+ at a minimum thanks to the violence, and bad language. This is certainly not a game for six year olds. Robinson The Journey got me nauseated from playing it. Moving around is a bit of a pain and those shifts can be problematic.

Robinson The Journey



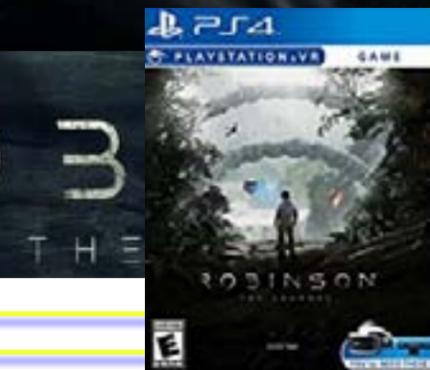
tries to move the player around slowly. It helped with getting sick from the game a little bit. There are directions on what to do, but not always how to do them. I got stuck multiple times in this short video game. The controls in Robinson The Journey are very clunky. We have a pet dinosaur that helps us out in Robinson The Journey too.



I like the music and the verbal directions from our HIGS unit. We can levitate items for a variety of purposes in Robinson The Journey. The graphics are fantastic, and that includes the violent content in Robinson The Journey. We are on a planet (Tyson III) with dinosaurs. There are plenty of dangers for the player in Robinson The Journey. There are also plenty of puzzles to be solved.

Robinson The Journey is very overpriced at this point in time for the length of the game. Which is a real shame. If the controls had been better Robinson The Journey could have been a decent little virtual reality video game. Wait for Robinson The Journey to come down to ten dollars before buying. - Paul

System: PS4 VR
Publisher: Crytek
Developer: Crytek
Rating: 'E' for Everyone
{Mild Fantasy Violence, Mild Language}



Graphics: 80%
Sound: 60%
Replay/Extras: 50%
Gameplay: 40%
Family Friendly Factor: 60%



Barbie Super Model

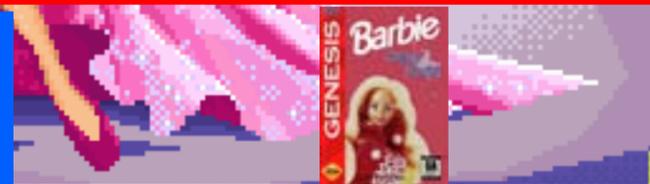
SCORE: 89

It is amazing that Family Friendly Gaming purchased this retro girls game. Barbie Super Model is all about fashion. This Genesis, Super NES, and MS-DOS video game lets girls take Barbie out in Hollywood, Hawaii, Aspen, and finally New York City. We move along from the left to the right collecting items. Then along the way we do a photo shoot which is a memory mini game. Then we get to the far right side.

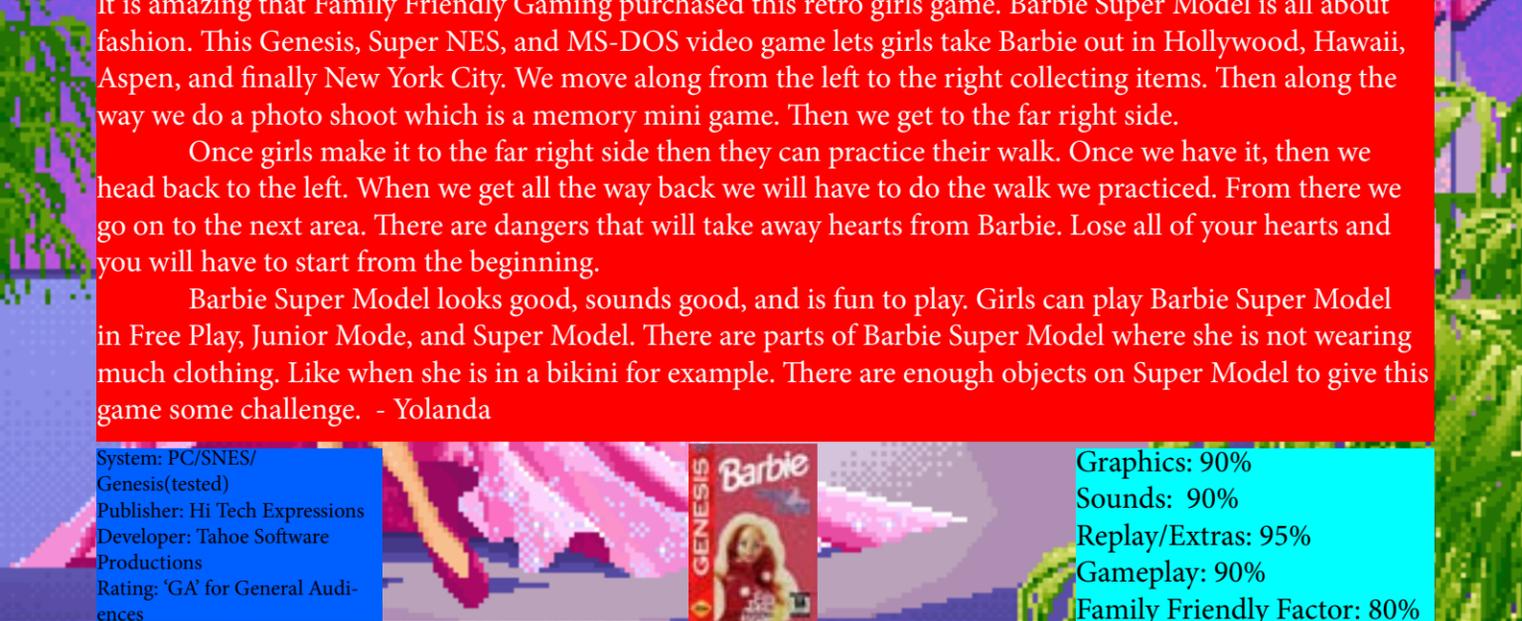
Once girls make it to the far right side then they can practice their walk. Once we have it, then we head back to the left. When we get all the way back we will have to do the walk we practiced. From there we go on to the next area. There are dangers that will take away hearts from Barbie. Lose all of your hearts and you will have to start from the beginning.

Barbie Super Model looks good, sounds good, and is fun to play. Girls can play Barbie Super Model in Free Play, Junior Mode, and Super Model. There are parts of Barbie Super Model where she is not wearing much clothing. Like when she is in a bikini for example. There are enough objects on Super Model to give this game some challenge. - Yolanda

System: PC/SNES/Genesis(tested)
Publisher: Hi Tech Expressions
Developer: Tahoe Software Productions
Rating: 'GA' for General Audiences



Graphics: 90%
Sounds: 90%
Replay/Extras: 95%
Gameplay: 90%
Family Friendly Factor: 80%



NFL Quarterback Club 2000

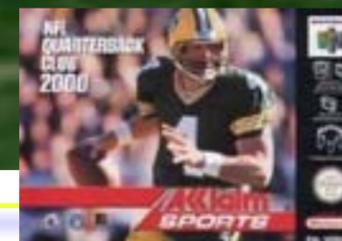
SCORE: 80

I am very thankful Family Friendly Gaming purchased a copy of NFL Quarterback Club 2000 on the Nintendo 64. If you watched our videos of this game then you know we had all kinds of issues with the controls. We also could not get the passing to work at all. Scores came thanks to runners breaking multiple tackles. We counted six broken tackles on one punt return.

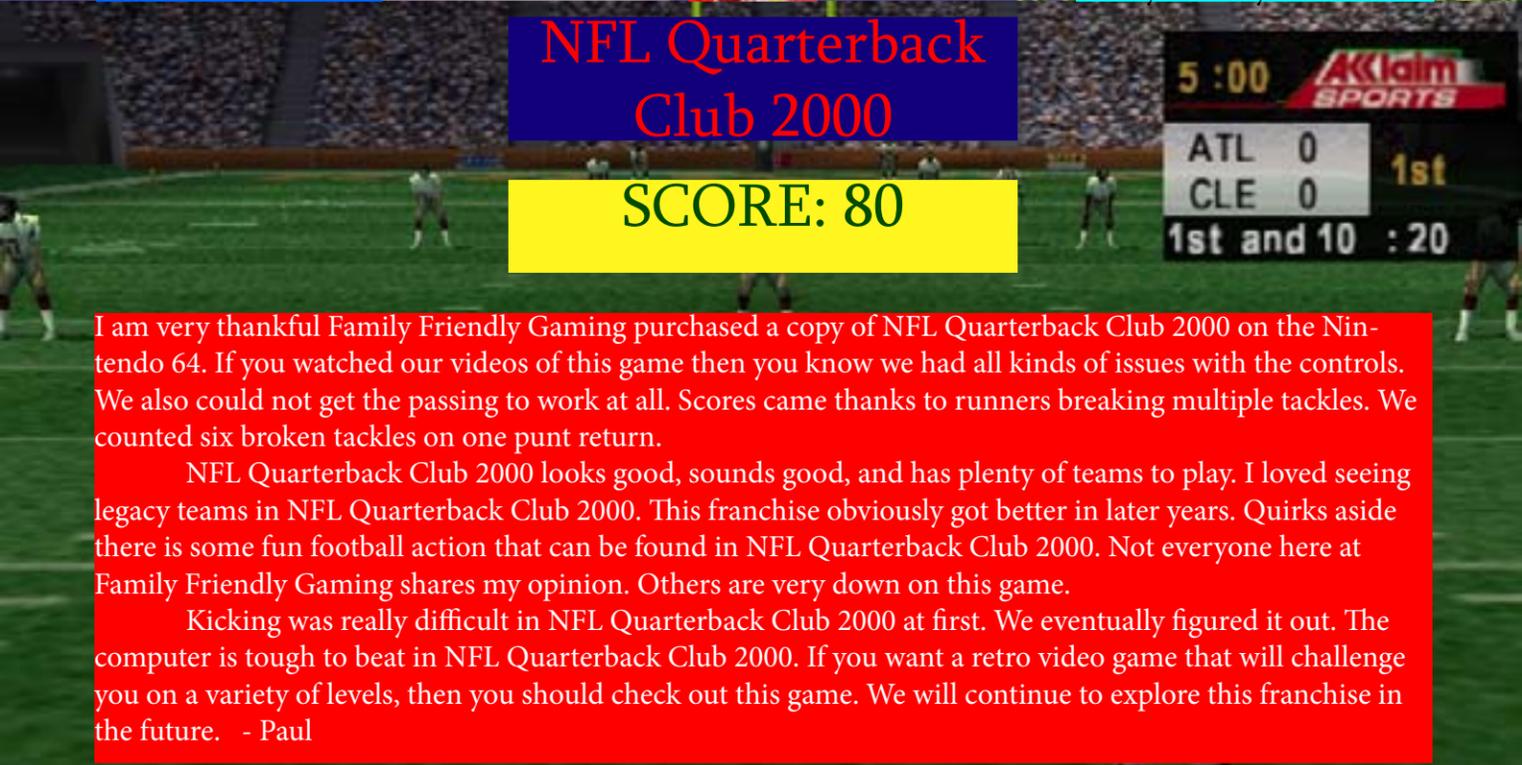
NFL Quarterback Club 2000 looks good, sounds good, and has plenty of teams to play. I loved seeing legacy teams in NFL Quarterback Club 2000. This franchise obviously got better in later years. Quirks aside there is some fun football action that can be found in NFL Quarterback Club 2000. Not everyone here at Family Friendly Gaming shares my opinion. Others are very down on this game.

Kicking was really difficult in NFL Quarterback Club 2000 at first. We eventually figured it out. The computer is tough to beat in NFL Quarterback Club 2000. If you want a retro video game that will challenge you on a variety of levels, then you should check out this game. We will continue to explore this franchise in the future. - Paul

System: Dreamcast/N64(tested)
Publisher: Acclaim
Developer: Iguana Entertainment
Rating: 'NR' for Not Rated



Graphics: 90%
Sounds: 85%
Replay/Extras: 100%
Gameplay: 50%
Family Friendly Factor: 75%



SPORTS



Product: Gran Turismo Sport
Company: Sony Computer Entertainment
System: Playstation 4
Release Date: Fall 2017
Rating: 'RP' - Rating Pending



Product: Gran Turismo Sport
Company: Sony Computer Entertainment
System: Playstation 4
Release Date: Fall 2017
Rating: 'RP' - Rating Pending

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Product: Cuphead
Company: StudioMDHR
System: PC/Xbox One
Release Date: September 29,
2017
Rating: 'RP' - Rating Pending



Product: Cuphead
Company: StudioMDHR
System: PC/Xbox One
Release Date: September 29, 2017
Rating: 'RP' - Rating Pending



Product: Fifa 18
Company: EA Sports
System: PS3/PS4/Xbox 360/Xbox One
Release Date: September 29, 2017
Rating: 'RP' - Rating Pending



Product: Kirby
 Company: Nintendo
 System: Nintendo Switch
 Release Date: 2018
 Rating: 'RP' - Rating Pending





Product: Kirby
 Company: Nintendo
 System: Nintendo Switch
 Release Date: 2018
 Rating: 'RP' - Rating Pending



Product: Yoshi
Company: Nintendo
System: Nintendo Switch
Release Date: 2018
Rating: 'RP' - Rating Pending





Product: Yoshi
 Company: Nintendo
 System: Nintendo Switch
 Release Date: 2018
 Rating: 'RP' - Rating Pending



Roland
Which solves the first of our problems.
You've earned the right to rule, but you still don't have a nation to rule over.
And building nations is hard work, believe me.



Product: Ni No Kuni II Revenant Kingdom
Company: Bandai Namco
System: PC/PS4
Release Date: November 10, 2017
Rating: 'RP' - Rating Pending



Product: Ni No Kuni II Revenant Kingdom
 Company: Bandai Namco
 System: PC/PS4
 Release Date: November 10, 2017
 Rating: 'RP' - Rating Pending



Evan
 I know it will be difficult.
 But if there's even a chance, we have to try.



Product: Sea of Thieves
Company: Microsoft Studios
System: PS4/PC
Release Date: 2018
Rating: 'RP' -Rating Pending



Product: Pokken Tournament DX
Company: Nintendo
System: Nintendo Switch
Release Date: September 22, 2017
Rating: 'RP' -Rating Pending





Product: Fire Emblem Warriors
Company: Nintendo
System: Nintendo Switch
Release Date: September 28, 2017
Rating: 'RP' - Rating Pending

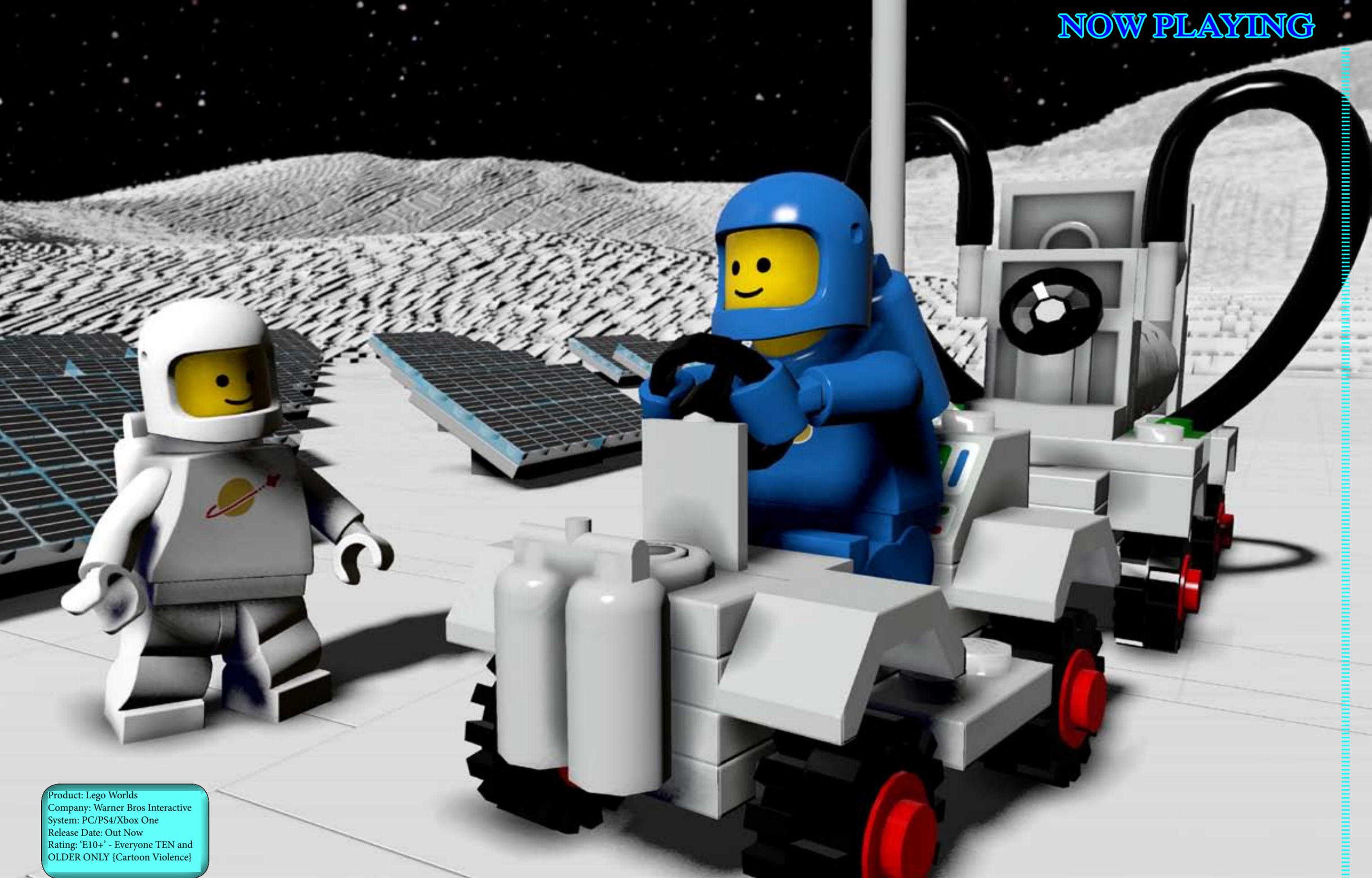
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Company: Warner Bros Interactive
System: PC/PS4/Xbox One
Release Date: Out Now
Rating: 'E10+' - Everyone TEN and
OLDER ONLY {Cartoon Violence}



Product: Ever Oasis
Company: Nintendo
System: Nintendo 3DS
Release Date: Out Now
Rating: 'E10+' - Everyone TEN and OLDER ONLY {Fantasy Violence}



Product: Minecraft Story Mode Season 2
Company: TellTale Games
System: PS4/PC/Xbox One/Xbox 360
Release Date: Out Now
Rating: 'E10+' - Everyone TEN and OLDER ONLY {Fantasy Violence, Mild Language}



Product: I and Me
Company: Ratalaika Games
System: Nintendo Switch
Release Date: Out Now
Rating: 'E' - Everyone SIX and OLDER ONLY





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Product: I and Me
Company: Ratalaika Games
System: Nintendo Switch
Release Date: Out Now
Rating: 'E' - Everyone SIX and OLDER ONLY



NOW PLAYING



Product: Splatoon 2
Company: Nintendo
System: Nintendo Switch
Release Date: Out Now
Rating: 'E10+' for Everyone TEN and OLDER ONLY {Cartoon Violence}



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洛陽争乱 (連合)
洛陽に布陣する董卓を撃破する

Product: Dynasty Warriors 9
Company: Koei Tecmo
System: PC/PS4
Release Date: TBA
Rating: 'RP' - Rating Pending



Product: Dynasty Warriors 9
 Company: Koei Tecmo
 System: PC/PS4
 Release Date: TBA
 Rating: 'RP' - Rating Pending



Product: Pure Farming 2018
Company: Techland Publishing
System: PC/PS4/Xbox One
Release Date: Early 2018
Rating: 'RP' - Rating Pending



Product: Pure Farming 2018
Company: Techland Publishing
System: PC/PS4/Xbox One
Release Date: Early 2018
Rating: 'RP' - Rating Pending



Product: Star Wars Battlefront II
Company: Electronic Arts
System: PC/PS4/Xbox One
Release Date: November 17, 2017
Rating: 'RP' - Rating Pending

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BATTLEFRONT II





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Product: Star Wars Battlefront II
Company: Electronic Arts
System: PC/PS4/Xbox One
Release Date: November 17, 2017
Rating: 'RP' - Rating Pending

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Product: Star Wars Battlefront II
Company: Electronic Arts
System: PC/PS4/Xbox One
Release Date: November 17, 2017
Rating: 'RP' - Rating Pending



Product: Monster Hunter World
Company: Capcom
System: PC/PS4/Xbox One
Release Date: 2018
Rating: 'NR' - Not Rated

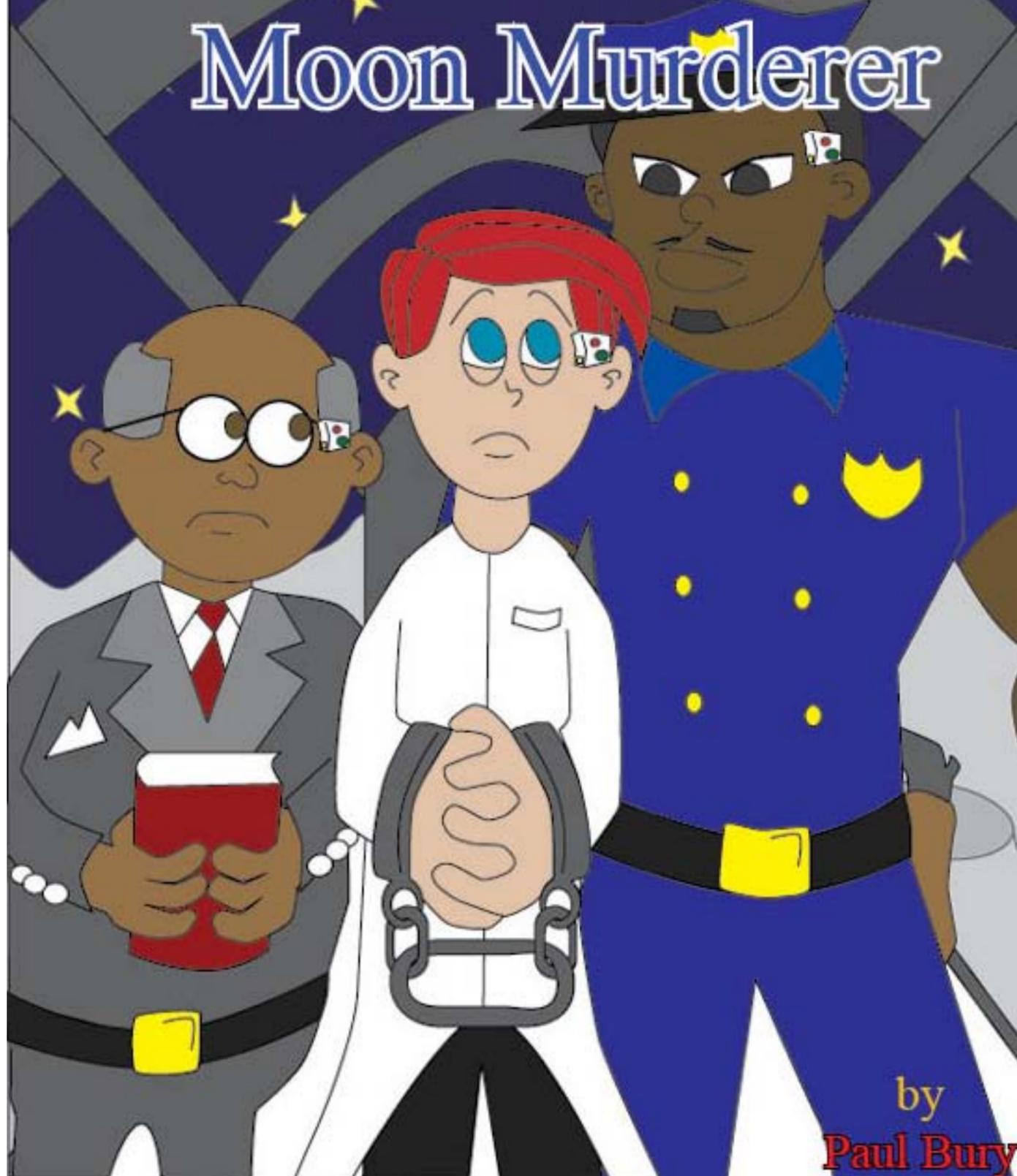




Product: Battle Chasers Nightwar
 Company: THQ Nordic
 System: Nordic THQ
 Release Date: Autumn 2017
 Rating: 'RP' - Rating Pending

KNOLAN
 DON'T GET ALL MUSHY ON ME, PUSHROD. WE'VE GOT WORK TO DO.

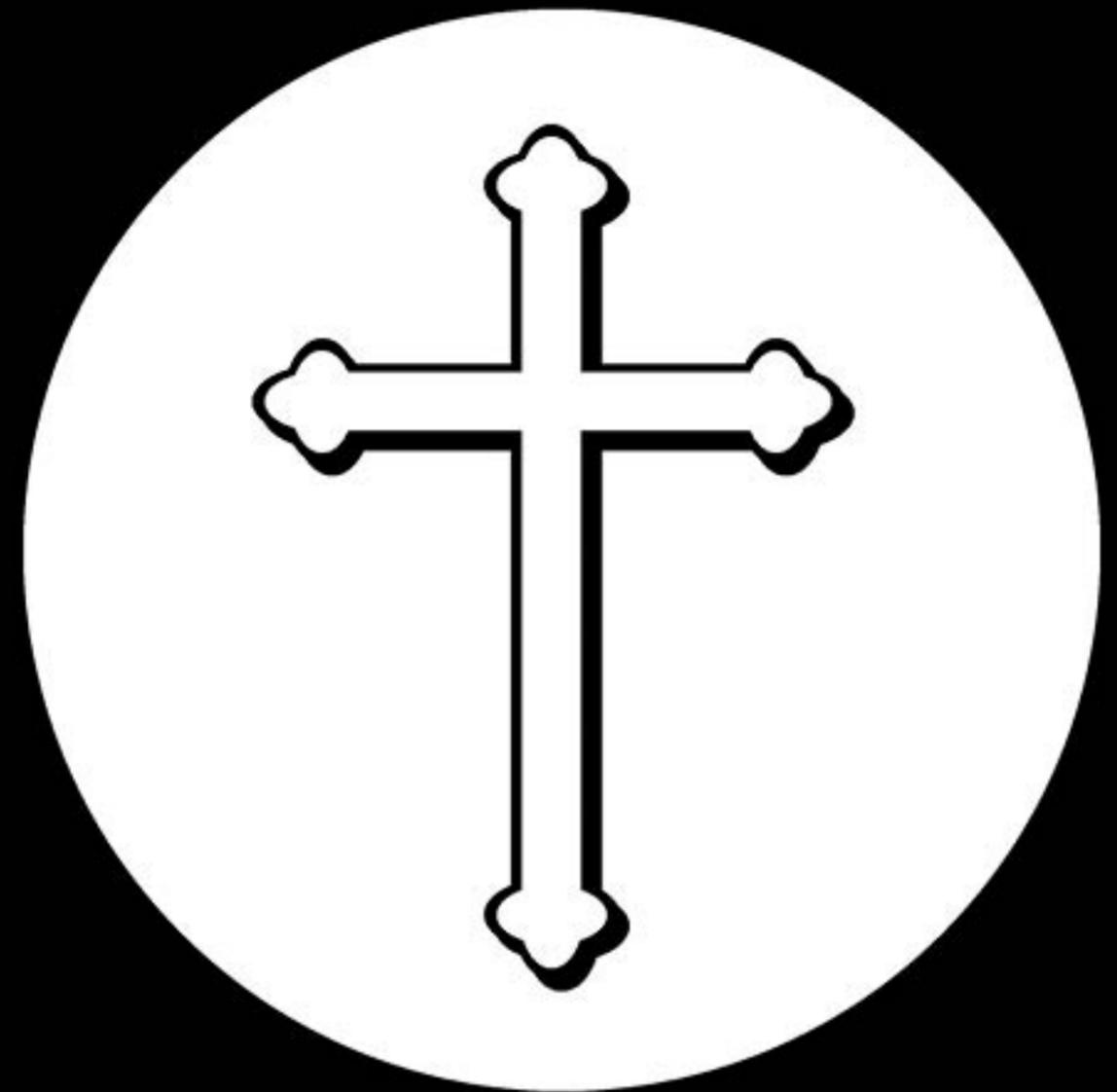
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