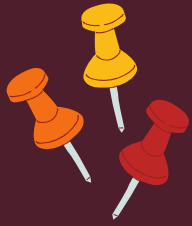


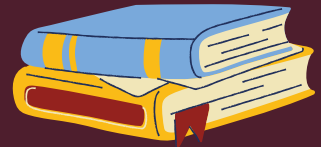
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FROM THE EDITORS' DESK



Dear Readers,

First of all, we would love to thank you for the response we got after the release of our first issue, and we hope you find this issue as entertaining!

While planning out the articles for this edition, we didn't realise that most of these would be scandal-related, but once we did, it took us no time to turn this entire issue into 'The Scandalous Issue.'

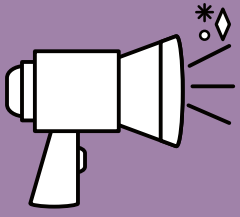
We've covered a variety of scandals from the 50s, such as Rosalind Franklin being robbed of her work, to some of the largest sports scandals, and even the recent Gamestop stock hike. As editors, we've put a lot of effort into this issue, and it's quite special to us. That being said, we sincerely hope that you will love reading it as much as we loved writing it.

Don't forget to reach out to us if you have any suggestions or feedback! Happy reading!

~ Editor - Sarina Chadha
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THE GAME\$TOP \$AGA



by Ananya Prabhakar & Sarina Chadha



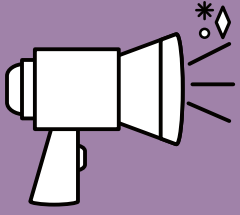
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Gamestop is an American video game and gaming merchandise consumer retailer, offering various video gaming consoles, accessories, and video game titles, both new and preowned. They have upto 5000 stores in the US. Covid-19 hit Gamestop hard, it being a physical retailer. It wasn't doing well even before the pandemic, and the lockdown worsened the situation, especially because it is highly reliant on the brick and mortar stores. It plans to shut about 450 stores, as the market share and revenue dwindled. And yet, astonishingly, its stocks skyrocketed by upto 1600 percent this year. The rise began late 2020, after the founder of Chewy bought a stake in Gamestop which placed him on its board.

Shortselling is when investors “borrow” a stock in order to sell them, then buy the stocks themselves later when the price falls. Their profit is what they paid versus what people paid to buy it from them, basically bets that the company will fail. Gamestop was one such stock which short sellers believed would fail. The shorts (short sellers) invested in Gamestop include at least two big hedge funds - Melvin Capital and Maplelane Capital, alongside an assortment of others like Citadel.

Some amateurs on the subreddit r/WallStreetBets realised that there are numerous short sellers invested in Gamestop. r/WSB had a small group of users who believed that Gamestop had been discounted too much by the market and that the business could still be saved. This snowballed into a sort of revenge against the wolves on Wall Street - many seem to believe that the market for stocks is manipulated by them. WSB had been purchasing shares for quite sometime and realised they have to step up, and instead of backing out, the redditors on WSB decided to buy up Gamestop, solely to drive up prices, causing a short squeeze - the value of Gamestop jumped sharply higher because of the high demand and unresponsive supply, meaning that short sellers (who bet on its price falling) now have to sell all their stocks as soon as possible, losing money by having to buy the stocks back at higher prices. As short sellers have to buy what they borrowed as early as possible to reduce their losses, prices surged even higher with their demand thrown into the mix. As people posted their earnings on r/WSB, others joined the moneymaking frenzy and so shot up Gamestop stocks. Celebrities like Elon Musk got behind “Gamestonks”.



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Due to the short squeeze, the short sellers had to buy the stocks at the inflated price to cover up the stock. Large hedge funds like Citron and Melvin Capital had to sell all their investments, the latter admitting that it lost 53% of its total investments in January alone. Finally, Robin Hood and some other online traders added restrictions to trading Gamestop stocks, which triggered outrage and a very volatile day at the market. This is when Gamestop, which reached its intraday high peak of \$483, ended up closing on Jan 28th at merely \$112.25. The restrictions were later reduced when the United States Securities and Exchange Commission weighed in. Josh White, a former economist for the SEC, said that he doubted the SEC would categorise what r/WSB did as market manipulation.

It is unclear whether an Internet chat room or forum suggesting what stocks to buy really counts as manipulation. He additionally said that what r/WSB did and what hedge funds or institutional investors do to stocks they believe to be mispriced is really no different from each other.

Many fake accounts were spotted on r/WSB, which users suspected belonged to hedge companies trying to divert attention from Gamestop. These fake accounts all touted silver as the “next big thing” for r/WSB to collectively invest in. Throughout this journey, many top financial people (like Citron) constantly criticized r/WSB for their actions and said that it was unsafe and illegal. This only served to fuel the redditors.

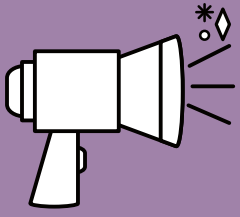
The Gamestop saga, at least to us, shows the massive difference between the poor David and the financial Goliaths on Wall Street, and is a small story of how some of them lost their finances to the common people working together in a time where income inequality is wider than ever, thanks to the Covid-19 pandemic. Melvin Capital needed an emergency two point eight billion dollar investment after losing 53% of all its investments in Gamestop. Maplelane Capital, another hedge fund, fell 45% by January 27th. It got more people interested in stocks than ever, and it became a financial power struggle between the individual investors and Wall Street ‘rulers’, with r/WSB seemingly winning that fight. Later, r/WSB went private as they were “experiencing technical difficulties based on an unprecedented scale as a result of the newfound interest in WSB”.

Gamestop was among the top five most traded stocks in Stock Ale, a platform for Indian retailers to trade in US equities. However, it has now fallen to \$60 a share. The story of Gamestop may be over, but what impact this episode will have on markets and investment in the future is yet to be known.

DID YOU KNOW



Bombay Stock Exchange or BSE is considered as the biggest stock exchange in the world. 5,500 companies are listed on BSE and this is the highest number of companies listed on the stock exchange in the world.



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Maintaining the 'Perfect Body'



by Lini Dhingra

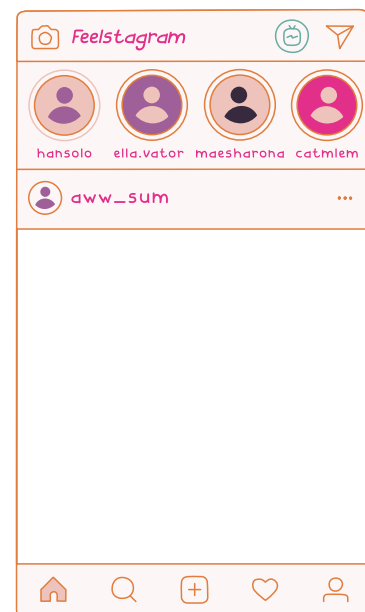
We're going through this crazy time in our lives. I don't mean 'crazy' as in being a teenager and going through all these changes because that happens to everyone and those changes are inevitable. I mean crazy as in how our lives now revolve around things like the internet and social media. I think young teenagers have this very delusional relationship with social media, they say stuff like, 'This is who I am' instead of stuff like, 'this is what I do' or 'this is what I like to do' Because social media is not someone's life, it is how they present themselves to other people. People can photoshop, cinch their waists, use a filter. If none of us display our real selves and if none of us display reality, how is social media us? How are our accounts our 'life'?

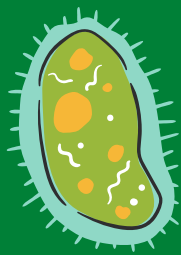
I think the way people perceive social media and the relationship people have with this industry is so important, and it can gravely affect the way people act and think. People on these platforms look immaculate and perfect. When I say perfect, I mean girls with perfect hair and perfect bodies, and perfect skin. And guys with the perfect abs, hair that's not too long or not too short, muscular arms.

Not only young teenagers, but so many other people are oblivious to the fact that not everyone can have the perfect body or hair and not every single boy wants to be a bodybuilder. We don't think we're beautiful enough until we're a little underweight until we have long legs and the perfect hair and that's because of how people value social media. We don't think we're manly enough until we have big muscular arms, six-pack abs, and until we're six feet tall.

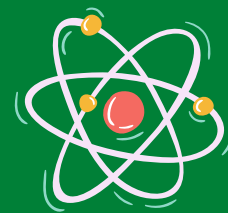
Social media has now become an inspiration to life, and that isn't necessarily a bad thing. I think it becomes a bad thing when people believe that anyone who doesn't look like an "Instagram model" is ugly and is unworthy. There's a lot of body negativity, mainly because a lot of us are scared and threatened about the fact that we are ugly because of nitty gritty things like us bloating or having skin problems. We're scared because society has an actual definition of beautiful- Tall, small nose, skinny waist, big thighs, small hands, small forehead. We're scared because society thinks men should be strong, tall and muscular. Why do we feel ugly about such unique body features? Why do we feel so bad about something so natural? Since we're growing through so many crazy 'changes' we constantly need to feel beautiful, and to feel beautiful, we constantly feel the need to change our bodies so that society thinks we're beautiful.

The day we stop defining beauty is the day we will feel beautiful. We need to accept and be grateful for what we have because we all are perfect regardless of what anyone says.





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ROSALIND FRANKLIN- THE LADY OF DNA

by Muktee Tolani

February 11th is internationally known as the International Day of Women and Girls in Science. What better time to talk about renowned scientist Rosalind Franklin, who many believe deserved a Nobel Prize for her contributions to understanding DNA and its structure? One reason she was not given the Nobel Prize, and her contributions overlooked, was because she passed away before it was given, therefore making her ineligible since the Nobel Prize is never awarded posthumously. However, many argue that even if she were still alive, she may have been overlooked nevertheless.

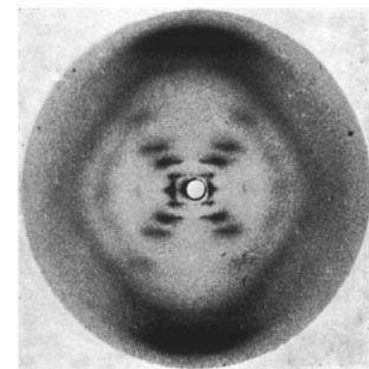
Like many other female scientists, Rosalind Franklin was robbed of recognition throughout the span of her career. In fact, she is one of history's most noteworthy examples of what is known as the 'Matilda Effect'; the practice of accrediting women's accomplishments to men.

In May 1952, Raymond Gosling, one of Franklin's graduate students at the King's College of London, was able to take a photograph of the manner in which a DNA strand scatters an x-ray beam. This picture that he was able to capture later came to be known famously as Photograph 51, and was vital in our modern day understanding of DNA's double helical structure, and was arguably the most important picture of DNA that has ever been captured to this date. Although Gosling took the photograph, Franklin was the one directing his work.

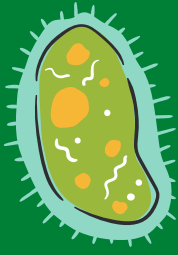
Shortly after this picture was taken, a fellow researcher named Maurice Wilkins, who was known to have had regular clashes with Franklin, showed this photograph to James Watson without Franklin's permission. James Watson, who was also investigating DNA structure at the time, then used this picture to develop a model of DNA's structure. Before gaining access to this picture, Watson and his partner Francis Crick were working on another model of DNA structure, a triple helical one. Photograph 51 revealed that their model was incorrect, and that DNA was in fact a double helical structure. They added on to Franklin's discovery, and developed a new model of DNA, without giving any credit to Franklin. Crick and Watson then went on to shamelessly publish their work and findings based on this very photograph in the journal *Nature* in 1953. This came as a great astonishment to Franklin, who with her student Gosling, had published their work in the same issue of the journal.



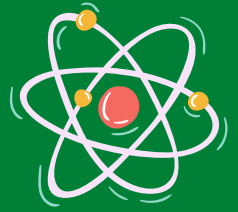
Rosalind Franklin



Photograph 51



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Watson's and Crick's 'stolen' work received more attention than Franklin's hard work at the time, so much so that she gave up her research into DNA and started to focus on other areas, only to die from ovarian cancer in 1958.

About a decade later, Wilkins received the Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine alongside Watson and Crick for being able to uncover the DNA's double helical structure and its role in genetics. Unfortunately, Franklin, whose lab produced the photograph that helped unravel this, received no recognition for her work until after her death. And moreover, since the Nobel Prize is never awarded posthumously, Franklin will never be able to share her well-deserved recognition in what is known to be the highest honour of the scientific community.

What is even more unfortunate about her death, is that she eventually may have had the honour of being awarded two Nobel Prizes since at the time of her death, she was conducting research on the molecular structure of viruses with a colleague named Aaron Klug who later went on to receive a Nobel Prize for his works.

To this date, history has not been able to produce a clear consensus on whether Watson and Crick denied Franklin her share of credit on purpose out of pure sexism or fierce competitiveness. In fact, Franklin herself said in response to Watson and Crick's paper "We all stand on each other's shoulders." Additionally, not to many's surprise, Watson heavily criticised Franklin in his published account of his research, even though he included a rather irenic note in the epilogue. The following is an excerpt from the note- *"Since my initial impressions of her, both scientific and personal (as recorded in the early pages of this book), were often wrong, I want to say something here about her achievements. The X-ray work she did at King's is increasingly regarded as superb."*

Many women and girls in science, just like Rosalind Franklin, have been written out of textbooks and snubbed of their work over the centuries. They have rebelled against society and fought battles to achieve what they did, only to have it be attributed to their husbands or male colleagues. Even today, this sexism persists in science, although less pertinent and overt. We can only hope that this bias against women is once and for all exterminated, in order for it to stop holding us back from progress.



Francis Crick (left), James Watson (right)

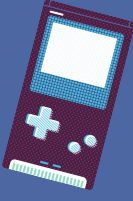
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Did you know, Rosalind Franklin has an asteroid named after her? In 1997, an amateur Australian astronomer named John Broughton discovered an asteroid at the Reedy Creek Observatory in Queensland, Australia. He named his discovery the '9241 Rosfranklin' in tribute to Franklin.



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OMORI REVIEW



By Sarina Chadha



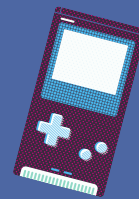
Omori is an RPGMaker game about the titular character, his childhood, and his friends, as well as some trauma related to it. It has been in development for about 7 years. It was finally released, and the time they spent developing really shows. Did you know there's 240 audio files for background music alone? And much of it is fantastic and atmospheric. A warning in advance: it's cutesy bait that turns into horror.

A lot of love went into making Omori. It's got a lot of easter eggs and references - Sweet Jelly Filled Donuts referring to a localisation goof-up of Pokemon, a Metal Gear reference, and a lot more. The world is filled with secrets accessible and inaccessible until later, meaning it quite literally pulls you back for more. The aesthetic is gorgeous, and each pixel is placed well - you can tell what everything is supposed to be. Apart from the details, a lot of design choices are symbolic and parallel the main character's real world experiences and memories - something you'll notice when you play. For example, Hero is interested in cooking in real life, so in Omori's imagination, he's a support-class healer.

Talking of the story, I loved it. It utilises horror to tell its story so well that during some frightening scenes, I felt like I'd rather just cry instead because of how sad it is. One thing I constantly marvelled over was about how, for once, the children sound like children. Small achievement, but realistic dialogue for children is something I've almost never seen. It uses the aesthetic world built as well as the power of words to tell a heartrending story of loss and friendship. However, everyone may not enjoy it. At some points, the visualisations felt much too edgy to me, but maybe it's because I could not relate to those segments.



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The battle mechanics are turn by turn, similar to TTRPGs. Enemy designs are always interesting and fun to see, like Wormhole, the literal worm-sticking-out-of-a-hole, though sometimes fighting onslaught after onslaught can get a bit tiring. Winning is satisfying, especially when you level up. You're forced to make choices between skills and charms to optimise your characters and fight the best you can. Exploring the world also rewards you with skills, charms, and items, which is another incentive to click on everything you see if curiosity and achievements aren't enough. The world is expansive, by the way. There's hundreds of tiny details, like how talking to an NPC with Hero as the leader gives you special dialogue.

There are two ways to play the game and multiple endings, of which I've discovered around three. Both ways of playing reward you differently; one gives you his real life experiences and bittersweet closure, while the other explores his imagination more while keeping him traumatising trapped forever.

Overall, I'd recommend playing Omori and give it a 9/10. The seemingly childish forefront hides a painful story and relatable characters, at least to me. That's not to say that the childish forefront takes away anything at all from Omori; rather, it just adds to it. The big 'twist' is not overplayed, the villains are comical and enjoyable, there's a lot of secrets, and the OSTs are all gorgeous, my favourite song being By Your Side. The edginess does take away from it, but the cutesy-turned-horror bait is a very niche genre which I'd encourage everyone to check out as a guilty pleasure.

DID YOU KNOW



Playing action video games trains people to make right decisions faster. How? Players develop a heightened sense of their surroundings and that helps them multitask. And surgeons that regularly play video games make 37% fewer errors and perform their tasks 27% faster than peers.



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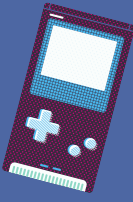
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Jin-Roh Review



By Sarina Chadha



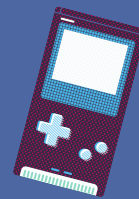
Jin-Roh is an animated political thriller, drama, and romantic tragedy from 1999. I recently found it in HD and decided to rewatch it, and I'm glad I did. There was a lot of depth which I would've missed otherwise, such as the intricacies of their emotions regarding their situations and each other. But I am getting ahead of myself. To summarize Jin-Roh, translated as "The Wolf Brigade", in an alternate universe where Japan sided with the allies and Germany won the war and colonised Japan at some point, the Japanese government created a special police, the "Metro Police", to deal with violent rebels. These violent rebels came from a group named "the Sect", and there is much political tension between the Metro Police and regular police. Within the Metro Police is rumoured to be the legendary Wolf Brigade, a counterintelligence unit set up a long time ago. Kazuki Fuse is part of the Metro Police. He fails to shoot a young female terrorist, due to which she blows herself up with a satchel bomb and causes casualties. The movie then follows Fuse's emotional journey, as he meets the terrorist's older sister and they begin a romance. Intertwined in this romance, deeper than you think, is politics.

Jin-Roh doesn't deliver any punches. It has a story to tell, and that's all it does, albeit in a beautiful way. The world of Jin-Roh doesn't care about expectations, and so it takes its sweet time exploring and building characters. The first time I watched it, I did not appreciate it as much as I should have. However, this is partly because the plot is very complex and bewildering, and it takes a while to understand. There was a lack of background given by the movie, too. This movie is built on a previous world, so there is a large number of plot devices and other information touched upon but left unexplored. Because of that, the pacing feels extremely slow. This is a fault on their side, but when I rewatched it, I understood its world and characters better, and its story affected me way more.

That said, there are other reasons to watch Jin-Roh. It has some of the best animation I've seen in a long time.



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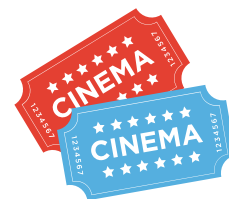
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Personally, I thought the animation conveyed the characters' emotions well, though some others did not think so (a limit of the medium). However, there is no denying that it is well-animated with a celluloid count of 80,000 over the span of 1 hour 42 minutes. It has a grimy sci-fi military aesthetic (and I admit I watched this movie just to say I'd seen a movie this beautiful). The music fits the scenes too. Suspenseful, romantic, sad - you have it.

All that said, this film is an acquired taste. Catering to such a small subsection, it's a wilder swing or miss than other, safer films. Gorgeous animation cannot redeem a storyline you are uninterested in all by itself. But I'd still encourage you to give this gem a try.

THE WHITE TIGER REVIEW



By Muktee Tolani

Netflix's *The White Tiger* is based on Aravind Adiga's 2008 Man Booker Prize-winning novel. It tells the story of an ambitious driver, Balram, as he drags himself out of poverty and breaks through the shackles of the divided caste and class system in order to become an entrepreneur. The movie explores the vast differences in classes and castes, amongst other regular sightings in India such as politicians who misuse their power, alongside the utility of crime as a shortcut to become wealthy.

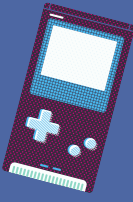
The plot is narrated in the form of a letter Balram writes to the Chinese Premiere, making the film all the more captivating, since the audience is privy to Balram's sarcastic and spiteful, yet entertaining comments.

For a movie exploring such a detailed topic like the societal structure of India, it moves quite a bit between pacing. It goes from being sluggishly slow in the beginning, to extremely fast as Balram gets a job, slow as he adjusts to this job and then fast again as the plot escalates further. This messes up the impact the movie has to a small extent.

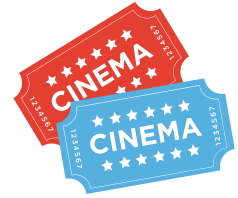




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The movie has beautiful camera work and direction. Some of the camera illusions were outstanding and executed well. Director Ramin Bahrani has done a fantastic job of making sure that the film maintains an intriguing satirical and dark tone throughout, avoiding the clichés generally associated with exotic India. This is accompanied by a wonderful screenplay, and powerful dialogues, with unexpectedly accurate analogies such as that of India's caste system to a rooster coop. My personal favourite was Balram's dialogue when he is talking about his experience serving as a driver, "Do we loathe our masters behind a facade of love, or do we love them behind a facade of loathing?"

Obviously, these powerful dialogues would be nowhere if not for their delivery. Adarsh Gourav does a fantastic job at portraying a complex character like Balram, and is able to do so with ease. Supporting actors Priyanka Chopra Jonas, and Rajkummar Rao too portray their characters impressively, adding to Gourav's spotlight and not stealing it.

Another one of the negative aspects of the film is the somewhat exaggerated accents certain characters have. In the beginning, as Balram begins his narration, he sort of has the stereotypical American accent it is believed an Indian would have, this disappears later on in the movie though. Rajkummar Rao's character also has an American accent since his character was supposed to have lived in the US for some time. However, his accent seems overdone in a lot of parts of the movie. Additionally, the ending of the movie was quite abrupt. I for one, was expecting to see more of what happens, especially how the Chinese Premiere reacts to Balram's letter, but the movie's ending did not allow for that.

Aside from that, the movie spectacularly captures how caste and class force us into a system we cannot escape, and its boldness leaves its watchers a lot to think about. I would give it an 8/10.

DID YOU KNOW



Clownfish vanished after the famous Pixar movie Finding Nemo. The population of clownfish in their natural habitats took a precipitous drop following the release of Finding Nemo. Marine biologists reported that the numbers of the fish dropped by as much as 75 percent in the Australian reefs they inhabit.



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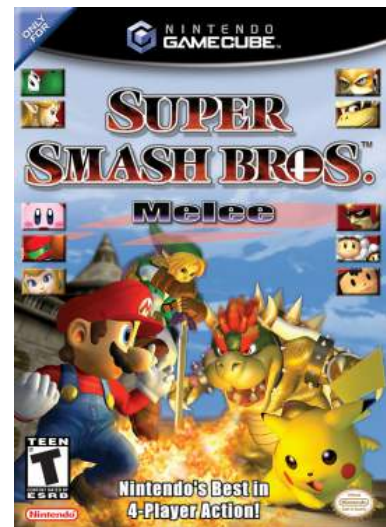


Nintendo Hates You...

By Swaraj Tolani

Nintendo has had an enormous scandal. Although not that recent, most people are unaware of it. However, this isn't the first time Nintendo has been involved in a scandal this scathing. For followers of gaming news, is not a surprise. However, to most people, Nintendo is a respected company. In my opinion, this should not be the case.

In December 2020, Nintendo shut down a Super Smash Bros Melee tournament because it was being used on an emulator. For readers unaware of what emulators are, it is a program that lets you run software from a different device on your computer. Here, the emulators were used to connect with each other in order to play the game online, and this is the reason Nintendo took it upon themselves to shut this tournament down.

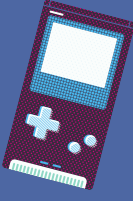


Now, how is Nintendo the bad guy? It's well within their legal rights to shut down such an event. However, they refused to consider that there was no other way to play a game like Super Smash Bros Melee, a game only playable face-to-face, other than an emulator during the COVID-19 lockdown (without modifying most of the game files). Emulators enable the players of this face-to-face game to compete online. Nintendo justified their actions with the claim that the usage of an emulator is illegal and condoning such actions would be like promoting game piracy. They said that part of the reasoning behind this decision was because using an emulator is the wrong way to play a game like Super Smash Bros Melee.

This is ridiculous, as the emulation of smash bros isn't piracy since it does not involve making illegal copies of the game and or distributing it. Emulating the game means that players who have bought the game, and have the console for it, can play it together from the comfort and safety of their own home. This doesn't affect Nintendo as the game was released over 20 years ago and hasn't been available to buy since around 10 years. Even if it was sold through other third parties, the consoles that are used to play it aren't being sold by Nintendo anymore. To put it simply, they are not profiting off this game, so emulating it has no negative effect on their brand. In fact, it promotes Super Smash Bros Melee and constructs a more positive brand image for the company. Therefore, Nintendo had no reason to do this, and ruined its fanbase's fun for no reason - a classic case of a company being a party pooper.



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That wasn't all. A lesser known scandal but of the same degree which still continues to this date is when they shut down their free fan made games and then released much worse versions of those games. A suitable example is the Super Mario 64 on Unreal Engine game. Someone made a version of Super Mario 64 on Unreal Engine - one of the best game engines in the market. The game ran at 60 frames per second, had ray tracing (meaning it bounces back light on a reflective surface depending on the angle of reflection in real time) and many other features such as a wide screen unlike the original which ran on 30 frames and didn't have ray tracing nor any of the other features. Nintendo shut down the superior unreal engine project and re-released Super Mario 64 temporarily on the Nintendo switch. This re-release was just as bad in terms of technical specifications as the original. This made the re-release what many called 'a soulless cash grab'. Nintendo has done this multiple times and has released a much worse version of the fan based games nearly every single time except a few where the releases were up to the mark.

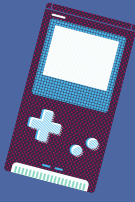
That said, Nintendo is a business that doesn't care about their fans and doesn't even try to hide it, which is what makes them arguably one of the worst game developing companies to exist. Nintendo hates you.

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SPORTING SCANDALS



By Aadit Kapoor

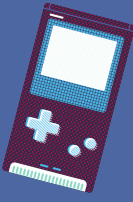
Covid-19 has disrupted the sports industry in 2020. It caused almost every sports event to either be canceled, postponed, or played with no spectators. When the global pandemic had just hit there was a lockdown, meaning no sports entertainment for anyone. This caused huge losses to everyone involved in the sports industry due to the cancellations that had to be done and the money invested that went to waste. One of the main events, The 2020 Summer Olympics in Tokyo, had to be postponed to 2021. This was the first time in modern Olympics history that an Olympiad had to be postponed. Due to Covid-19, 2020 was an extremely dull year regarding sports and disappointed all sports fans across the world. However, this does mean there was a lack of sports scandals running in the newspapers. But before this pandemic, there have been a number of incidents in the past few years and some of them have been the biggest scandals ever seen.

Football is a beautiful game, adored worldwide by sports fans. The number of views that a big football match gets is incredibly high compared to any other sport's world cup final. The Super Bowl, is USA's biggest sporting event of all time, had 96.4 million viewers in its most recent edition. The FIFA World Cup got more than 10 times that; 1.2 billion viewers. The Beautiful Game, as it is nicknamed popularly, has had more scandals than any other sport. One of the biggest and most recent scandals was in 2015, the FIFA Corruption Scandal. International football is a huge and profitable sport. So it was inevitable when, in 2015, 14 former and current officials were arrested by the FBI on lawbreaking charges. FIFA was accused of taking bribes of over \$100 million from countries that wanted to host the 2015 World Cup. This was a big slap on the face of football and shamed FIFA, the biggest governing body of football, terribly. This scandal made a lot of fans lose trust in the game and they were extremely disappointed as their beautiful game was being ruined by the ones that ran it.





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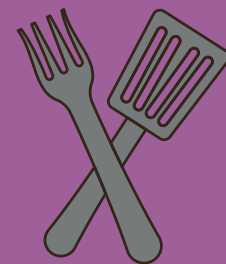
Another one of the most popular sports in the world is cricket. It is called the gentleman's game and it is very rare to see misconduct in the sport. We did see it in 2018, and it was one of the most disgraceful incidents to take place in cricket. It has forever soiled the image of the Australian cricket team. The incident took place in a test match between Australia and South Africa where the Australian team tampered with the match ball during the game with sandpaper. It was done openly and was captured by 2 cameras. The players involved, David Warner, Steve Smith, and Cameron Bancroft, were caught instantly. This was planned by the captain Smith and vice captain Warner and it was executed by Cameron. Warner and Smith were banned for 12 months, while Bancroft was banned for 9 months. They lost all the respect they had built up with their previous achievements. Boos still accompany them when they walk onto the field to bat, with only Australian supporters applauding them. They have apologised and understood their mistake and have been forgiven by most fans. This was one of the most unexpected events that has happened in cricket, as all players and fans involved deeply love and respect the game.



Steve Smith (left) & David Warner (right)



RECIPE OF THE MONTH



~Tia Manchanda

TOWEL CREPE CAKE



From the Chef

I had been watching ASMR videos in which people were thoroughly enjoying these towel crepe cakes so I decided to make one of these mouthwatering crepe cakes.

Here is a simple and delicious recipe for towel crepe cake.



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Ingredients



- Flour - 1/4 cup
- Sugar - 2 tbsp
- Cocoa powder - 1 tsp
- Egg - 1
- Milk- 3 tbsp

Toppings

- Nutella- as required
- Whipped cream- as required



Credits: Tia Manchanda

Method



1. Add in all the dry ingredients to a bowl and whisk well.
2. Add milk and egg to another bowl and whisk well.
3. Now add the wet ingredients to the dry mixture and mix.
4. Grease your pan with butter.
5. Pour the batter and spread it.
6. Cook your crepe properly on both sides.
7. Put one crepe on top of the other and spread the Nutella.
8. Top it with whipped cream and spread.
9. Fold in both the crepes sideways.
10. Now roll from bottom to top.
11. Dust with cocoa powder. Serve.



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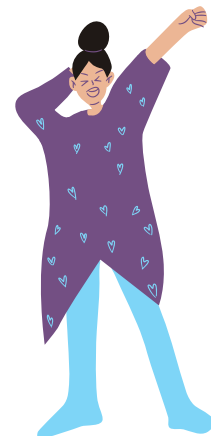
CATWALK



Are PJs a trend?

by Catalina Palacio

At least once we've woken up with 0 motivation to do anything, let alone get ready to go out. We don't want to go through maybe an hour or more of preparation to leave the house, or maybe we're just not in the mood to dress up! Picking out an outfit could take an awful lot of time and doing our makeup and hair too. I bet we all wish that we could go out in our PJs from time to time. Well, let me tell you something. Wearing PJs out is already a trend, and today I'm going to be giving you some examples about how you can get out of the house without needing hours of preparation!



The Classic PJ

All of us own at least one pair of PJs that consists of a bottom up and pants. This look has been adapted into street fashion, especially throughout the last couple of years. It has been majorly noticed in celebrities, who have rebelled themselves out of the tiring morning preparation. From Selena Gómez to Rihanna, this style has done nothing but grow, and it is now even shown in the runways. And don't worry, if you don't have a bottom up PJ, you can always use your matching robe and pants! You can finish the look with some one strap flip flops and you'll be ready to rock the day, or, atleast, the morning ;).





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PJ jacket and pants, shirt and heels

If you're looking for a more spiced PJ outfit, this is the one for you! Maybe you don't want to go out completely in your PJs and you need help finding something to combine it with, so if that's your case, I'll help you right away. With a pair of winter PJs, a light blue or white shirt and your favorite pair of heels, you can make an amazing outfit that can fix your day. Put your shirt and PJ pants on and then finish your look by putting the PJ jacket and your heels. You're ready to do through the day AND it may not even look like you're wearing PJs!





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The Kimono Vest or Robe

On a hot day of summer, our PJs or winter PJs may not be the best option to wear out. But don't worry, I've got a solution for you right here. Pick your favorite home robe (satin robe, cotton robe, long, short, plain, floral etc), tie it up like a kimono, as if it was a dress, put on a pair of sandals or sandal heels and you're ready to go out. The outfit will even look elegant and very fresh, which will help a lot with the hot of the day! If you aren't in the mood for dresses then you can put on a pair of shorts, a t-shirt and your robe, and you will be ready!



LEARNING MORE



In the early 1900s, a fashion designer named Paul Poiret created silk pyjamas to be worn out in public during the daytime, as well as in the evening. This trend is still followed today in some Asian countries. People still like to wear full pyjama sets out in public. In Japan, this trend is taken one step further. Some people go out in something called Kigurumi, which are pyjamas made to look like giant stuffed animal costumes.

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