

# BOULDER AND FLEET

ADVENTURERS FOR HIRE





IT'S BEEN  
A LONG AND  
CAKELESS EVENING,  
BOULDER...

... BUT AT  
LEAST WE MADE  
IT THROUGH THE  
GRAY MARSHES  
ALIVE.

WERE WE  
IN SOME SORT  
OF DANGER?

a FRIENDLY  
GAME

BY JERZY DROZD

USED TO BE ALL SORTS  
OF WARNING SIGNS ON  
THIS TRAIL, BUT--

-- AH,  
THERE  
WE GO.

CRUMMY  
SANDY SOIL  
AROUND HERE.



THE GRAY MARSHES ARE  
FILLED WITH ALL SORTS OF  
NASTY THINGS. FIRE SKELETONS,  
LIVING MULCHES, INDIGO  
WISPS--

-- LOTTA WAYS TO  
FIND YOURSELF IN  
TROUBLE, HERE.

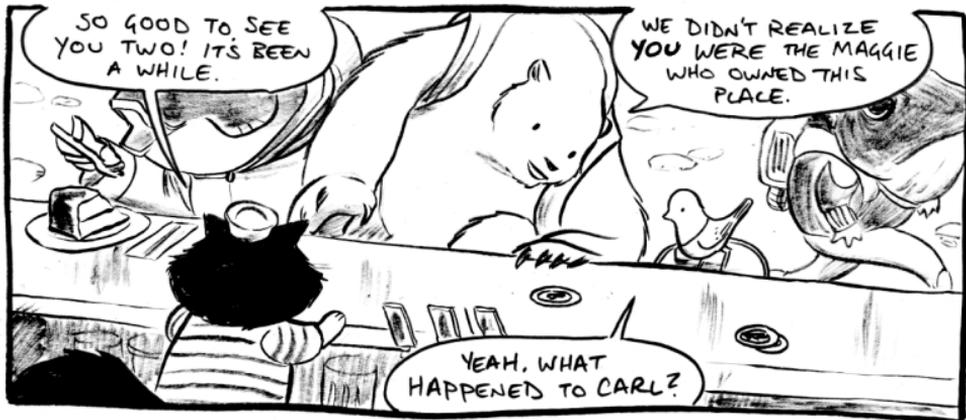


WELL, I'M  
GRATEFUL WE  
MISSED HAVING  
AN ADVENTURE  
THIS TIME.

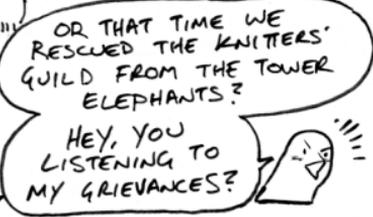
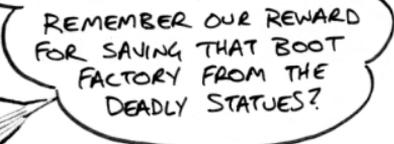
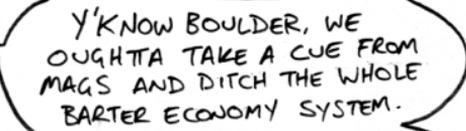
HURRY IT  
UP! I SEE  
THE LIGHTS OF  
THAT CAKE PLACE  
I TOLD YOU  
ABOUT!













I CAN SMELL YOU ALL THE WAY OVER HERE, YOU GROSS--

oh turds its mags, pipe down, you guys...

hd hd hd

MAN, THAT BUG IS THE WORST, AM I RIGHT?

YOU SHOULD KICK HER BUTT, BERK.



hd hd hee hee

yeah...

oh geez he's going over there hd hd hd / hee hd

YO! BIG SACK O' STINK! WHO SAID YOU COULD HAVE CAKE?



I MEAN, THEY COULD JUST LOOK AT ME AND SEE I'M A BIRD SMALL AND NOT A BEAR MEDIUM--

wozh WHAT'RE YOU DOING?



FPP!

LET'S SIT OVER THERE.

WE'RE GOING TO MAKE A NEW FRIEND.



I'M SORRY-- I'M TRYING TO SIT AS FAR AWAY AS I CAN SO AS TO NOT BOTHER YOU WITH MY ODOR.

THEN CATCH THE NEXT BUS OUTTA TOWN, STINKO!



WATCH THIS, GUYS--!



EXCUSE ME--



-- WOULD YOU MIND IF WE JOINED YOU?

YOU WANT... TO SIT BY ME?

YOU WANNA SIT BY HER?



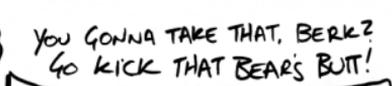
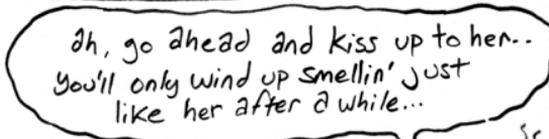
oooh she does... be polite...

WE'RE TRAVELERS LOOKING FOR AN EVENING OF FRIENDLY CONVERSATION WITH THE LOCALS.

OOH, I'VE NEVER HAD COMPANY AT THE CAFE!

MY NAME IS PAT.





aw, did they shut you down, berkie? ha ha

SHUT UP.

COOL ONLY GOES SO DEEP, GUYS.

WATCH.

FUCK!

TONK

Wha--?!

ALRIGHT, THAT'S IT--  
YOU JUST PICKED ON  
THE WRONG BIRD, PAL!

FLEET--!

ha ha  
wasn't me

be cool,  
be cool.

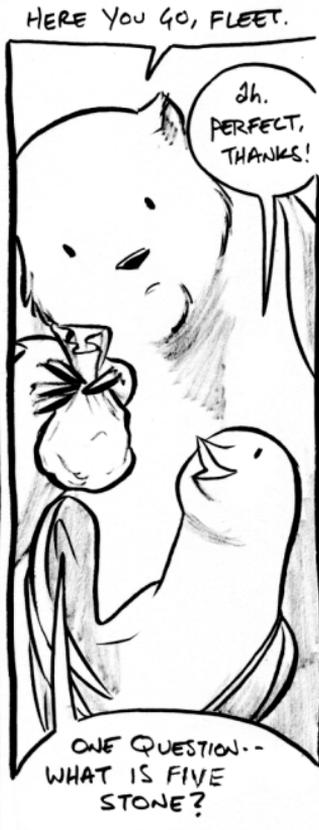
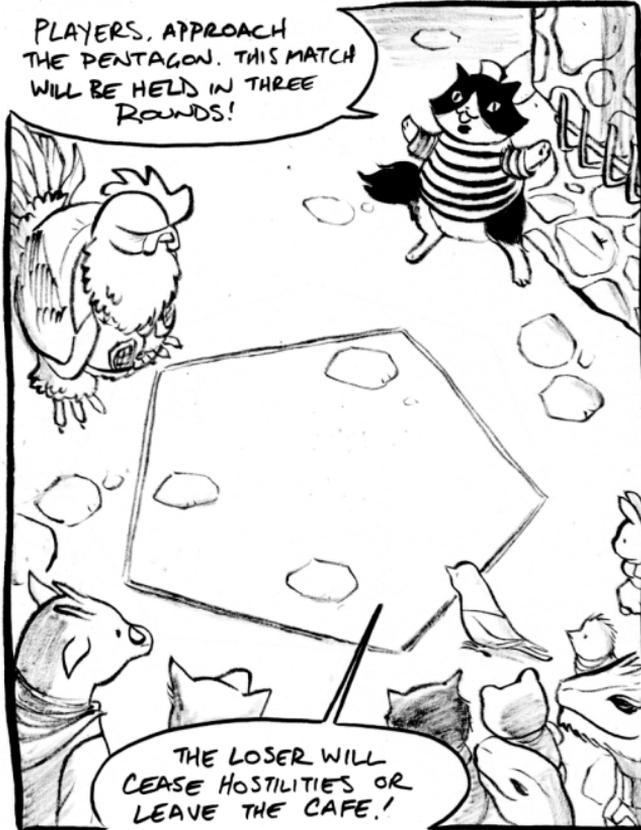


what little cake i have, anyway



ALL CONFLICTS IN MY CAFE WILL BE SETTLED BY FIVE STONE





LET FLEET  
HELP YOU  
LEARN

# HOW TO PLAY 5 STONE

1. EACH PLAYER BEGINS WITH SOME SMALL ( $\frac{1}{2}$ " DIAMETER) STONES.

2. PLAYERS THROW AN UNDISCLOSED NUMBER OF STONES INTO THE PENTAGON. STONES LANDING OUTSIDE ARE OUT OF PLAY.

3. THE PLAYER WHOSE AMOUNT OF STONES IN THE PENTAGON IS CLOSEST TO A MULTIPLE OF FIVE WINS ALL STONES IN THE PENTAGON.

4. NUMERICAL PROXIMITY TO A MULTIPLE OF FIVE TRUMPS HIGHEST NUMBER OF STONES (EX.  $4 > 13$ , AS 4 IS ONLY ONE NUMBER FROM 5, WHEREAS 13 IS TWO FROM 15 AND THREE FROM 10).

5. EXACT MULTIPLE OF FIVE TRUMPS PROXIMITY TO MULTIPLE (EX.  $5 > 9$ )

6. THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF STONES WINS IF BOTH PLAYERS THROW EQUAL PROXIMITY OR EXACT MULTIPLES OF 5.

YOU WIN BY TAKING ALL STONES IN TWO OF THREE ROUNDS, OR IF YOUR OPPONENT RUNS OUT OF STONES!

\* IT'S BEST TO PLAY ON A ROUGH, UNEVEN SURFACE.



DON'T WORRY,  
PAL -- I'M A  
FINE STONE  
CHAMP.



READYYY?  
AND

**THROW!**

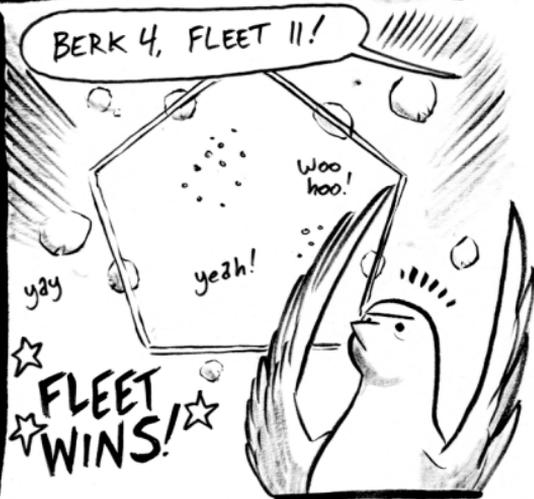


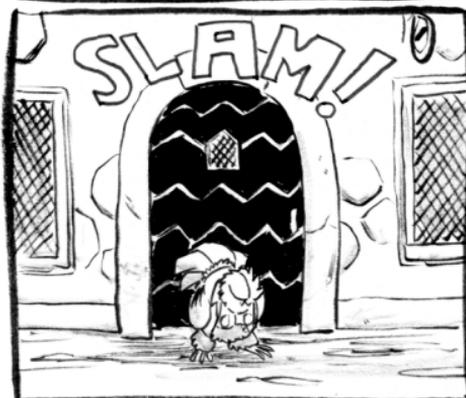
BERK THROWS A 9,  
FLEET THROWS A 5 --  
FLEET WINS THE  
ROUND!

TAP!

STUPID UNEVEN  
FLOOR MADE MY  
STONE RICCOCHET!  
DO OVER!

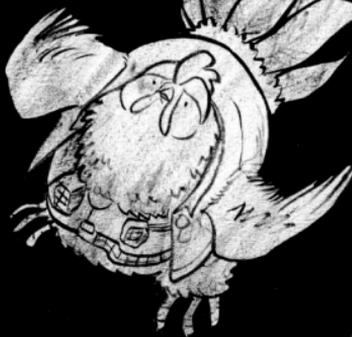
WORKING  
WITH WHAT YOU  
GOT'S THE NAME  
OF THE GAME,  
QUIT YOUR  
WHINING!







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**GLORMP!**

IF WE DON'T GET  
OUT OF HERE WE'LL  
BE SLOWLY DECOMPOSED  
IN ITS SLIME!

**CRASH  
HAK**

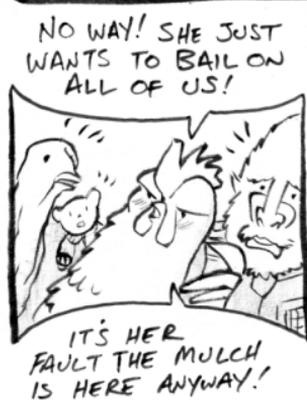
BOULDER,  
THE CEILING!

ON IT!

**HRRRGGH  
HH**

**CRKK  
K**





...SHEESH, YOU PARKED  
THIS THING FAR  
ENOUGH AWAY?



AS A  
COURTESY TO  
MAGGIE AND HER  
PATRONS, I KNOW  
THE SMELL IS  
BOTHERSOME.

SO WHAT'S THE PLAN?

LIVING MULCHES  
PREFER TO EAT ROTTING  
MATERIALS OVER LIVING  
CREATURES. SO WE'LL  
LEAD IT AWAY WITH  
A TASTIER TREAT.

OH  
NO



NO TIME FOR  
SQUEAMISHNESS,  
I'M AFRAID.

IF YOU WANT TO SAVE  
YOUR FRIEND, YOU HAVE TO  
USE THIS COMPOST!



oh...

MIND TRYING THAT  
INSPIRATIONAL SPEECH  
ONE MORE TIME?







...NOW COMES THE PART WHERE WE STAY UP ALL NIGHT FIXING THE PLACE...



WE'LL WAIT A BIT BEFORE HELPING WITH REPAIRS.

BESIDES, MAGGIE SAYS THE KITCHEN WAS HARDLY DAMAGED.

OH?

SHE'S IN THERE NOW BAKING YOU A CAKE BASED ON CARL'S OLD RECIPE.

THE BARTER SYSTEM WORKS! LET'S GO WATCH, I WANNA LICK THE BOWL.

MAGGIE MIGHT APPRECIATE YOUR WASHING UP, FIRST.

THE END!