Sorgaard Jacques: Saw your edit MichaelJohn... good

MichaelJohn Turner: Just started cleaning up little things. Getting familiar to wiki

Stefan Nilsson: I read up on the wiki - what you gather the status of flack attack to be? There seems to be quite a few good angles, but they’re mostly like 30% done?

Sorgaard Jacques: True. Quite some editing needs to be done. But comments are always good...

Stefan Nilsson: Drawn any conclusions yet as to the pros/cons with using the wiki paradigm?

Sorgaard Jacques: Wiki as a tool seems to work fine for this kind of production... Though the learning curve might keep some away... And that is bad if it is so

Stefan Nilsson: I'd say as far as learning curves for web publishing tools, wiki is not the steepest. :P

Eva Grace: It is quite steep for the likes of me though. I'm a novice

VoyeurOne Baron: Have you seen the website, www.flackattack.org? (eva & jeanne)

Jeannedellalune Prudhomme: I have but I don’t really understand it

VoyeurOne Baron: What was unclear to you Jeanne?
Jeannedellalune Prudhomme: Well, I’m a Real Life writer, trying to learn more about how Second Life is used. This seems like a blend I haven’t quite figured out, so I’m here out of curiosity.

Sorgaard Jacques: I see... So this is the last meeting before the editorial phase.

Stefan Nilsson: I’d say most the editorial work should be to ‘flesh out’ the articles, and I think they’d all do well with a bit of reference-digging?

Michael John Turner: We can always use writer skills here at Flack Attack, Jeanne.

Stefan Nilsson: I think I could do some nit-picking there - I’m quite good at exposing my own incomprehension.

Michael John Turner: I do feel inadequate in regards to bigger/deeper idea frameworks. Am learning from things discussed here too.

Stefan Nilsson: Yeah, actually, I must admit that the meeting minutes are well as interesting as the articles themselves.

VoyeurOne Baron: Yes and I think it will be good to use some of the discussions we’ve had here in the magazine.

Stefan Nilsson: I had a really cool talk with Tom Bukowski by the way. I think I have a contender for the next Flack Attack topic: Queer Second Life. :P

VoyeurOne Baron: It could be a great next issue Stefan.

Michael John Turner: Or gender in second life.

Jeannedellalune Prudhomme: That would be fascinating.

Stefan Nilsson: Yeah, well, I was thinking gender/queer/sexuality on a whole. Could be a way to raise port awareness... it’s on everybody’s mind, it seems.

Jeannedellalune Prudhomme: That would be a very well read issue.

Stefan Nilsson: Yeah, well. Next issue. :P

Sorgaard Jacques: (Queer in a broad sense)

Michael John Turner: lol

VoyeurOne Baron: For now, autonomy.

Jeannedellalune Prudhomme: lol

Stefan Nilsson: Second Life is quite explosive. Heteronormativity is crumbling in here. Andronormativity, even... So, what happens now, with this issue?

Jeannedellalune Prudhomme: And autonomy in a place that could cease to exist if someone pulls the plug.

Stefan Nilsson: Will I just get nit-picking, writing my questions directly into the wiki text?

VoyeurOne Baron: Sure Stefan, you can write comments, questions, extensions etc. directly in to the texts.

Sorgaard Jacques: So the next meetings will focus more on the contributed texts so far...

VoyeurOne Baron: Tomorrow is deadline.... (for getting up the basics).

Stefan Nilsson: Cool... do we have any idea how many people are potential writers/editors of this issue?

Sorgaard Jacques: There are about 12 contributors and say 10-15 people participating in the meetings. Hopefully a few more articles will come in the last minute...

Jeannedellalune Prudhomme: Big publication.

VoyeurOne Baron: So, are any of you working on anything?

Michael John Turner: I am, but still a beginning.

Stefan Nilsson: I’m not, sorry to say. But I hope to be able to help flesh out the articles that be.

Komuso Tokugawa: I’m trying to work up a Second Life performance here in Tokyo as part of a set... similar to The Port opening gig. But not writing anything at the moment.

Jeannedellalune Prudhomme: My experience is that people write too long. Especially in blogs and places. Shorter is always better.

VoyeurOne Baron: I think it’s too long in some
places and to short in others

Jeanne Prudhomme: lol. In Real Life
I'm an editor

Sorgan Jacques: Wow Jeanne...a PRO

Jeanne Prudhomme: Yes, my motto: A chance to cut is a chance to cure

VoyeurOne Baron: So, would be great if you could help out Jeanne. Where are you working if I may ask?

Jeanne Prudhomme: I would rather not say

VoyeurOne Baron: No worries

Komuso Tokugawa: Fox news! hehe

Stefan Nilsson: My experience is that people convey too many opinions and too little knowledge.

Sorgan Jacques: Indeed Stefan... though it depends on the character of the text...

Michael John Turner: And opinions are ok too :)

Sorgan Jacques: The more anecdotal things can very well go without references...

Stefan Nilsson: Yeah, of course. But, as the wiki stands now, I'm very confused about what is discourse and what is ramblings. Not to say that ramblings aren't interesting. But I like to separate them.

Jeanne Prudhomme: Good idea

Sorgan Jacques: My hope is that the final magazine will be quite disparate... with different cultural angles on the idea of autonomy...

VoyeurOne Baron: Do you think you will be able to write something by Tuesday Komuso? Or will you be taking part more in the editorial process?

Komuso Tokugawa: mmm... not sure on the writing... maybe editorial for the moment... very busy trying to get setup here. Lost a week restoring data after 2 hard drive crashes

Sorgan Jacques: (Oh My God)

VoyeurOne Baron: I'm kind of sweating with my article for Tuesday but will get something together

Sorgan Jacques: we all are sweating...

Michael John Turner: lol. Yes, maybe we can keep meeting short so I can go write

Komuso Tokugawa: Hope you all read that book link I posted: “the geography of thought”... very relevant

Sorgan Jacques: That is interesting Komuso... with a counteracting angle on the concept of autonomy (Is the book good?)

Komuso Tokugawa: Bit lightweight in parts... but based on my experience it’s valid. Try living here! :)

Sorgan Jacques: Or can you clarify the life in relation to the article... Komuso

Komuso Tokugawa: Concept of autonomy differs greatly between cultures, not just arguing over definition. Relevant to Second Life because it’s an international collaborative space... though currently not much eastern participation here. Will try to elaborate. Book is a good intro to the whole area

Michael John Turner: Looked at amazon. Cool Komuso. Think it’s even relevant between parts of the western world (US and and Europe)?

Komuso Tokugawa: Yes. Just the east/west dynamic is more obvious

Michael John Turner: Or even parts of countries... neighborhoods in cities... individual people/rooms in houses?

Komuso Tokugawa: Considering a lot of neighbourhoods have ethnic backgrounds it makes even more sense

Michael John Turner: Yes. At my former job i had to take courses in working with multi-ethnic and female groups, always seemed to go back to dealing with universal / individual differences.

Sorgan Jacques: OK...next meeting we try to think about the contributions... and discuss and reflect on them

Komuso Tokugawa: the geography of virtual thought?