# Round 114 - Canadaland

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Multimedia: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5CFP9ax-fRQ

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### **MrBond**

#### Music

- Artificial Eye Sentinel Command & Conquer: Tiberian Sun (OC ReMix)
- Charlie Atom Toriel's Pain Undertale (OC ReMix)
- PsyNES The HUNT Begins Rise of the Triad: Dark War (OC ReMix)

### **Topics**

- Following on heels of Link's Awakening remake (and TotK's success), Nintendo releases Oracle of Ages and Oracle of Seasons for Switch Online subscribers
  - https://www.engadget.com/nintendo-drops-two-classic-zelda-titles-for-switch-online-subscribers-160801831.html
- Nintendo does a "good" online? As of 03 Aug, online play for Mario Kart 8 and Splatoon (both Wii U titles) restored
  - https://www.engadget.com/nintendo-brings-mario-kart-8-and-splatoon-for-wii-u-back-online-august-3rd-165434085.html
- US Supreme Court denies Epic Games' request to enforce district court's ruling that Apple's App Store must permit redirection to external storefronts, while Apple's own appeal is pending. Remember, all this started (mostly) because of *Fortnite*
  - https://arstechnica.com/gadgets/2023/08/supreme-court-denies-epics-request-to-open-up-app-store-payments-during-appeals
- Quake II remaster released on PC and all modern-ish consoles (Xbox One and both Series, Switch, both PS4 and PS5); includes original campaign, both expansions, the Quake 64 campaign, and a brand-new 28-level campaign all for \$10
  - https://arstechnica.com/gaming/2023/08/quake-ii-gets-a-remaster-for-pc-and-consoles-and-its-exactly-what-it-needs-to-be/
- Rockstar acquires modding team Cfx.re it had previously banned for their GTA V mods that allegedly "contain[ed] code designed to facilitate piracy" (back in 2015)
  - https://arstechnica.com/gaming/2023/08/rockstar-games-acquires-modding-team-that-it-previously-ban ned/

### Personal gaming

- Darkest Dungeon II (now complete)
- Gravity Circuit (now complete)
- 30XX (now in progress)
- Mr. Heli (SBC Aug)

- Sophstar (SBC Jul-Sep)Sun longplay: NoitaTears of the Kingdom

# **Tormod**

#### Music

- <u>The Oscar Goes to Laguna Loire</u> by Bluelighter from *Final Fantasy VIII* (<u>OC ReMix</u>)
- <u>Save Your Valediction</u> by Roph, Harpsibored, Dawnaria, and SableProvidence from *Final Fantasy IX* (<u>OC ReMix</u>)
- <u>Together Again</u> by Just Coffee from Animal Crossing: New Horizons (OC ReMix)

## **Topics**

- It my birfday on Wednesday
- I've been streaming!
- Microsoft shutting the Xbox 360 store down in July 2024
- Baldur's Gate 3 is really popular and successful! No paid content, lots of players, lots of genital customizations and gender anarchy. Fuck yeah. You can romance lots of things! Dev wants to stay independent
- Linus Tech Tips under fire for poor reviews, inaccurate representations, and ... auctioning off manufacturing prototypes?
- As of 15 days ago, the Nintendo Switch has sold 129,530,000 units worldwide

## Personal gaming

- Final Fantasy VI: Pixel Remaster

# Ad-hoc design - <a href="https://letsmakeagame.net/game-idea-generator/">https://letsmakeagame.net/game-idea-generator/</a>

TITLE: Awakening

SETTING(S): Bullet hell, magic gone wrong, world war, reality is a dream

PLAYERS: 1-2
INPUT METHOD: GRAPHIC STYLE: AUDIO STYLE: -

POV: Vertical shmup

STORY / HOOK: Amidst the chaos of a long-running apocalypse-level magical war, attempt to end the war

by sealing away or destroying each of the main magic sources.

INVENTORY: Collect player upgrades and equipment by completing stages and paths, meeting stage

conditions

MECHANICS: Two main player modes - normal/hyper (with a cooldownt period); three primary stage

"paths"; individual stages have parallel normal/hyper planes, w/ different enemy and bullet formations, scoring potentials, etc; "hub" prior to starting on main paths where you

can select loadouts, apply equipment, consumable items, etc

OBJECTIVE: Stop the reality-warping primordial magic forces.