

Current Events Bobo Kobo

A lot has happened since the last turn!

Rule 303 was implemented after it's passing, and players can now challenge the reigning champion and other players in a new channel, #Arena. Players who fight the champion and win get +1 fame permanently as well as the ability to change their class in #Game-Controls during the same turn they win in.

With the implementation of Rule 303 came our first judgment. Player Bobo Kobo called the judgment on a semantic argument regarding the implementation of this rule. When the first judge was picked, Nomitron rolled a 6 twice to solidify that Bobo Kobo was also the judge. In a twist of events, Bobo did not rule in their own favor, instead ruling with a third party fringe group. Rule 303 will be the first rule amended by a judge-proposition and is currently being reworked.

The fringe group, composed of player Crorem, had this to say. "A lively Judgment is arguably the heart and soul of Nomic. At its best, Judgment exists as a collaborative discussion to ascertain the true meaning of the rules, with the Judge acting as the discussion's moderator. I believe that is what we had this week, and I'm grateful for both the opportunity to participate and to Judge Kobo for giving due consideration to my point of view."

In other news, Rule 306 by player Fenris passed in our first unanimous vote! Congratulations, Fenris!

Player Spotlight: Nomitron Bobo Kobo

Nomitron, who legally isn't a player, is an integral part of Nomic. If you run through the initial ruleset, baked into Nomic VII, you'll come across rule 209. While it doesn't mention Nomitron by name, it solidifies just a small piece of its importance to the game.

I sat down with Nomitron to discuss his role in Nomic and how it felt about it. When asked if it felt he was important to the server, Nomitron said "My reply is no." I applauded its humility, and went further, asking if it thought the game would work without it. It took a moment to reply, saying that its sources said "no."

Without Nomitron, many of our rules wouldn't work, and past that, they wouldn't even make it to the queues. We may be lost without it. Previous iterations of Nomic did function prior to its creation, but as it stands, the current most successful version integrated it seamlessly.

When asked about Nomitron, it's creator, player Fenris said, "Are they a bitch, yes. Am i proud of them, also very much yes. I just wish they didnt have as many wild nights where they get blackout drunk and shit all over the server. Got to admit though. Nomi works very hard. Never gives up.". It is so heartening to see such beautiful words from a father. Nomitron answers our every question and thinks nothing of it. While some players have expressed discontent with Nomitron in times of peril, discussing the number of messages it sends when rebooting, I feel that it's every message is just another reminder that it is running things behind the scenes that we could barely comprehend.

The Nom Times would like to thank Nomitron for its service. It serves and protects unlike any other.



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Opinion Piece: TikToks with fake censorship are annoying Bobo Kobo

In the past few years, tiktokers have had one of the most annoying non-issues with the internet that I've ever seen. On par with chronically online takes, censorship for fear of "shadowbanning" is ridiculous. People replace words like 'dying' or 'death' with things like 'unliving' or



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just plain silence. They won't even swear. Many creators, such as renowned scientist Hank Green, have disproved the threat of shadowbanning by saying a plethora of words that others are afraid to and still gaining millions of views and likes.

People have become afraid of saying "inappropriate" words and have instead created stigma around words that in reality are completely normal and no longer tank content. While it may have been momentarily true in 2019, it no longer is, and every video where someone says "unliving" makes me decide that the person didn't need to make the video in the first place and I often block people who do so. I find this most annoying in "true-crime" content, where people describe horrible gruesome scenes that are real and really happened, and then won't say the word dead. Pick a lane, losers.

Recently Implemented Rules Bobo Kobo

In our last issue, we discussed our thoughts on props 304, 305, and 306.

A staggering 2 of the 3 props failed to pass as rules.

Proposition 304, *High Score* failed 8 to 4.

Proposition 305, *Introduction of Game Challenges*, failed 9 to 1.

Neither author Jah Ming nor author Romulus could be

reached for comment on their proposals.

Proposition 306, *Famous*, passed 11 to 0. This proposal is currently being reworked in connection with rule 303 and the judgment that was recently held.

When asked for comment, Fenris said "PLEASE FOR THE LOVE OF GOD ENDORSE IT" regarding his proposal to amend the rule.

Current Proposals Bobo Kobo

There are currently eight proposals in the queue.

Oj52423 and BeanGuzzler's proposals, which both have 2 supporters, are still to ban player Alec (Poe Dameron).

Alec (Poe Dameron)'s proposal *Champion of the People* currently has four supporters. Alec has expressed that he will be finding something other than "Champion" to use in his proposition, as Rule 303 which was recently implemented makes use of this term.

Bobo Kobo's proposal *The Nom Times Trademark* currently has 5 supporters. We here at The Nom Times are in heavy support of this proposal as it would protect this paper.

JTFR is continuing to propose we make "this" a chat room.

Iann39 and CosmicSands are fighting it out in rivaling proposals, with 3 supporters each. They each seek to declare what shape the earth is.

Fenris is proposing an amendment to Rule 306, *Famous*.

Prop 307, *The Funniest Proposal In Nomic* by player and admin Crorem introduces the four humors. It aims to allow players to have amounts of these humors, and to allow them to become imbalanced or balanced based on the difference in their quantities.

Prop 308, *Office Hours* by player .bananafanta is our first non-rule rule proposed by a player. It introduces three time slots during the week for players to gather. We have the highest hopes here at the Nom Times for prop 308 as we believe in a sense of community and hope that it passes with flying colour.

Prop 309, *Rudis* by player Baegll is currently our closest vote to date as of the time this article is being written. When questioned, Baegll stated that "I think the close votes are because some people are afraid of a little challenge, new things (and people) are scary but Im sure everything will be just fine and there will be no issues whatsoever; unlike the arena".