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I've got a couple of website updates I need to announce in the next couple of days, but first, there's one which... If you really want to, you can do with this very post!

All Pages and Posts are now downloadable as a PDF. Although I hope not to do a complete redesign (again) of this website for the next few years at least, I hate the fact that:

- Trying to save any post / page on this website via PDF print functions just shows you my ugly face and no text for the most part. It's just the way this template is built, so I humbly apologise.
- As valuable a resource Archive.org / WaybackMachine is, it doesn't like formatted webpages, so at best you get some text on screen *sans* pictures / tempates, and at worse, what you get is unreadable full stop. It depends on hosting platforms, templates, CSS, use of page builders, and so much more.

In terms of the latter, I took a moment to look through the Archive.org website for both this site, and a previous Sim Racing league I ran. Despite this website being in use since 2005, there are no longer any crawls from 2005 – 2018, despite this previously being the case. From what I can tell, WaybackMachine did a re-indexing at some point, and a lot of content was tossed, either by mistake or being seen to no longer be neccessary. This is a shame, as I did miss seeing some of my old iterations of this site, to see both how far I've come as a person, but also a web-designer.

Where I did find previous editions of this site, [the front pages looked to be rendered properly](), however once you go to say individual blog posts, this changed. Looking at the 2018 version of this site, the front page and blog listing page were fine, however blog posts... [Not so much]().

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My thoughts & ramblings

Of course I need to make it clear that my views are my own, and not that of my employer. I know it's an obvious one to many, but I have to put it out there.
NOTICE: About This Blog & It's Contents
St Georges is the 2020s version of Lea Bank, in no short part because of the inadequate, and ineptitude of people who are paid to serve them.
An Open Letter to WM Police
Some live blogging and thoughts from the 2019 European First Year Experience Conference in Cork, Ireland. Thoughts and comments are my own.
EFYE 2019 – Live Blogging & Thoughts
I'm not going to lie, I've considered throwing in the towel over the years, but it's Hugo, our team, and that pursuit for excellence that pushes us.
My Word, it's been 5 years of RaceSpot TV
I was hoping that Christian Whitehead, the saviour of Sonic gameplay on mobile devices would come up with something good. I really wasn't disappointed.
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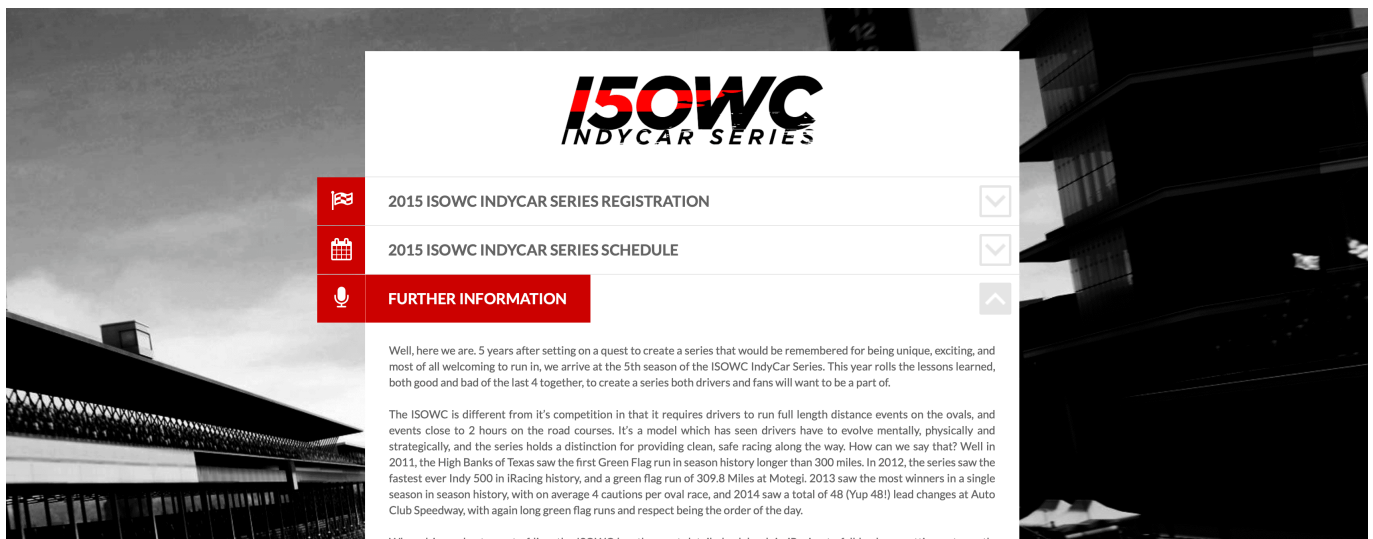
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Prior warning. I'm a HUGE sonic fan, and have been since I was 5 years old when I first got my hands on this crazy little blue mess of speed. I remember being 'That kid' who brought Sonic Comics to a show and tell, and I have a special folder on my iPhone just ports (Sonic 4 *very* rarely gets played!)

Like many living on the edge of the Generation X – Millennial border, we picked our turf early. I chose SEGA, others chose Nintendo. Don't get me wrong, I respect Mario, and will crank out old Mario games on my DS, but it's not Sonic to me. Some may noti though, it's the *old* games I crank out. As good as Mario 64 will always be, and as hard as SEGA have tried to move into the 3D world, it would never really cut it for me, as it was always the 2D scrollers which had me gripped.

It was for this reason why I pre-ordered Sonic Mania the second it was available to pre-order, and in the absence of a Sonic 3 / Knuckles port for iOS, I was hoping that Christian Whitehead, the saviour of Sonic gameplay on mobile devices would come up with good. Anyone who's played the iOS ports of Sonic 1 / 2 / CD over the years will know that things took a huge step up when Whitehead got involved. I had never played Sonic CD as a kid, now I rate is as one of the best. It's made me reappreciate Sonic 1, and m

It seems that if you build a one page website, like I did for my old Sim Racing League, things have a better chance of rendering properly. I guess that it did help that I used icons for this site instead of images, and the code was compact due to its nature. Some older versions of the site have just had everything stripped back to text. It looks shit.
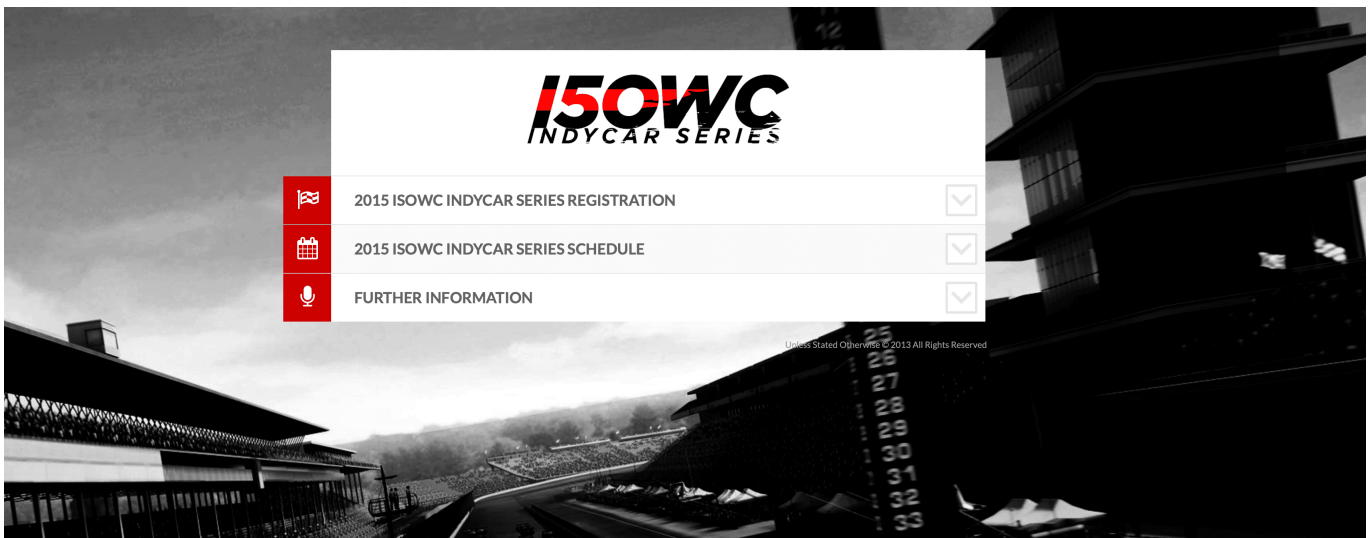
In short, if you want to keep things, save a copy. Which is what I do these days, as I get bored of going back through old SQL databases!

Things to remember

Of course, PDFs do come with their own risk. You, dear reader need to remember. First of all, the PDF you get is what's written on a post / page at a particular point in time. It may have changed prior, and it may change in the future. Therefore, you can't rely on it for anything more than a snapshot in time. I've added a last modified date to the end of all my posts, to help with you working out when I last revisited anything I've written, and as always, the older the source, the less reliable it may be as a point of reference, especially in opinion pieced.

If you **really** are considering using anything on this site as a reference, there are ways to consider this in both Harvard and Chicago (at least). You'll need to remember the date you've downloaded such a PDF (Which you can find in the file properties, by right clicking and selecting properties on Windows, or Alt-Clicking and selecting Get Info on a Mac). You can also use the last modified date to help guide you on this. It's important to include this information, in case… I become a MAGA Republican overnight or something?

Additionally, remember that these are my writings, opinions and interpretations alone. They are not gospel. Where I can, I'll link to my own research when discussing a topic, however remember that I can't accept any responsibility for mistakes. Do what I call 'Chasing the references', and using what I write alongside other texts, for better or worse.

Peace & Love xx