**Session/Game**: Thranconia Blueholme 2 **Date:** November 13, 2022

**The Cat’s Back** **Episode 35: Gone Fishing?**

**Campaign Date**:  **YOR 2023—February 21**

**Characters:**

Giggles, gnoll. Fighter-8 N (Pete Z)

Shump, half-orc, cleric-fighter-7, L

Mr. Ow, elf, magic-user-9, N (Bob L)

Renly Faire, half-elf, cleric/thief-7, N (Quinton L)

Zerkwad, human, cleric-9, L (Andrew S)

**NPC’S**

Red Jim the Pirate, human, fighter/thief-4, N (henchman to Shump)

Cat Astrofee, catter, thief-6, N (henchcat to Mr. Giggles)

Slam Beefcake, half-ogre, fighter-5. Ch, Slaughter King, (henchman to Renly)

Doctor Fang, human, lackey-3 (henchman to Renly)

Slug Duggins, half-orc, thief-3, N (henchman to Zerkwad).

**Judge:** Dave N.

**LOG:**

*Preparation: November 1, 2022—February 20, 2023*

Mr.Ow created a fireball wand with 54 charges, finished on February 20th 2023. Zerkwad created a Staff dispel magic with 39 charges finished February 15. Shump picked up his dragon scale cloak of cold resistance. Cat Astrofee buys seven scrolls of invisibility. Renly makes several curative potions. Zerkwad hires Slug Duggins for the expedition.

*The Pits of Damnation, Level 7, The Vault of Dagon*

They took the stairs from level 6 and right off freed a band of 20 human prisoners from the City whom they entrusted to Slug Duggins to lead to the surface. Passing through a large store room filled with dried fish and into a guard chamber filled with 50 ratmen armed with poisoned arrows. After Mrow blasted 10 of them with a fireball, Slam, Cat, Mrow and Zerkwad all fell quickly to poison. Giggles rampaged through two squads of them, killing 20 of them. Mrow was cured of the poison and used a Protection from Missiles Spell and his fireball wand to kill 24 of them total. And the rest cleaned up the remnants and cured the various poisoned comrades.

They are rejoined by Slug Duggins, who explained that hellish toads had eaten all the prisoners. Passing through a set of double doors they found 12 armored trolls in a long room. They destroyed the trolls in a crisp battle, Giggles and Slam took some heavy blows at first, but some fireballs and a flurry of blows prevailed.

Disguised as a Dagonite worshiper, Renly poked his head into the next room, a marshaling area for Grey Ogres. The ogres weren’t fooled and charged into the party. A fireball from Mrow and a flurry of rampages killed the first half dozen through the door. They then threw another fireball at the rest and rampaged through them causing the last half dozen to flee down a nearby tunnel. Scorched by another fireball perhaps 1-2 escaped down the tunnel.

They backtracked to a door leading toward the south. Renly activated a Glyph of Warding and took a bunch of damage and lost some equipment to it. Beyond lay a large, underground cove where 100 Dagonite Normals, 10 Dagonite priests and Archon Smoosh were conducting a strange ceremony. Mrow started by hurling a fireball, killing 2 priests and wounding Smoosh. Then Giggles rampaged through 10 Dagonites. Mrow finished off the Archon with another fireball. Giggles rampaged through another 10 Dagonites. While the party continued cutting a bloody trough through the Dagonites, a band of 15 more Dagonite priests rushed in.

When the last Dagonite normies died, the avatar of Dagon arose from the cove. Mrow then blew up 6 of the priests with a fireball. As the rest of the party engaged with the priests, Dagon arose from the waters. He looked at Mrow who immediately vanished. Then he cursed Red Jim, Slam Beefcake, Dr. Fang and Slug Duggins with boils. Turning to the party fighting the last few priests, he waved his hand and the priests all died. Then Slam, Giggles, Shump and Zerkwad charged the huge avatar and slew it forthwith.

They began to search for Mrow at this point. Renly used a charge from his detect magic wand to discover that a small cave centipede in one corner was highly enchanted. Assuming it was a transformed Mrow, Zerkwad tried to use a dispel magic charge to reverse the magic, but it failed. He then cast a remove curse, but it only gave him a vision of a mountain pond surrounded by runes (which he couldn’t read) and an image of him throwing the centipede into the pond and Mrow walking back out of it.

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