

Wiki Update Coming Soon

For the past month or so, some of you might have noticed this banner at the top of the wiki when you log in¹⁾:



It indicates that a new update of the wiki engine is available. I had been waiting for the stable release to be available instead of the release candidate (rc) and it looks like it is now. I'm currently in the process of testing this upgrade on a local copy of our website to make sure that it doesn't break anything. The current version we're using is from 2020-07-29 (2 years ago!) so there could be incompatibilities with extensions we're using.

Once I'm satisfied that the new version is running well, I'll upgrade the site here has well.

Issues

I found some issues that will need to be fixed before I proceed with the wiki upgrade. I'll update this page as I make progress.

Issue	Fix
The BlogTNG options used to post a news item on the front page are missing. The plugin page and github page haven't been updated in years, indicating that it's no longer being maintained.	Remove BlogTNG and replace with the following plugins instead: * Blog * Include * Old version of Pagequery (see Issue description)
Some template changes were reverted.	There will be slight changes in functionality. Re-implement the changes listed here , which need to be sequenced with permission reset.

Plan

Steps	Status
Backup the current site	✓
Install the new plugins and convert the News Feed away from BlogTNG	✓
Uninstall BlogTNG	✓
Upgrade the Wiki	
Reset the permissions	
Re-implement the template changes	

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Note that this notice only shows for logged in users, so the general public doesn't see it