

# Cyberdeck: Part Eight

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Back in the 90's I ran a couple of different bulletin board systems (BBS). I won't get into all the details of the various "groups" of that time, but one of my favorite BBS software I ever ran was Oblivion/2 (long live Lord Jazz / ACiD / iCE 😊)

Obv/2 is long gone, and despite [attempts](#) to resurrect it, no production ready version exist. However, its trademark ANSI art feel has been emulated in a very production ready BBS software called [Synchronet](#).

What in the world does this have to with a Cyberdeck you ask? Well, with the compute power I've packed into this Pelican case being thousands of times more than the machines I had in the 90s, I thought it might be fun to have a Docker container at the ready to run a pop-up BBS from the case any time I want. All reachable through a modern SSH client.

You know, the world is coming to an end, all forms of communication are down... maybe exactly what you need to pass the time is a LoRa connection, a high gain antenna, and a few friends who want to listen to the Seth Able the Bard in the tavern on LORD?



Synchronet BBS running that all too familiar green menu we all loved.

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SyncTERM - Localhost

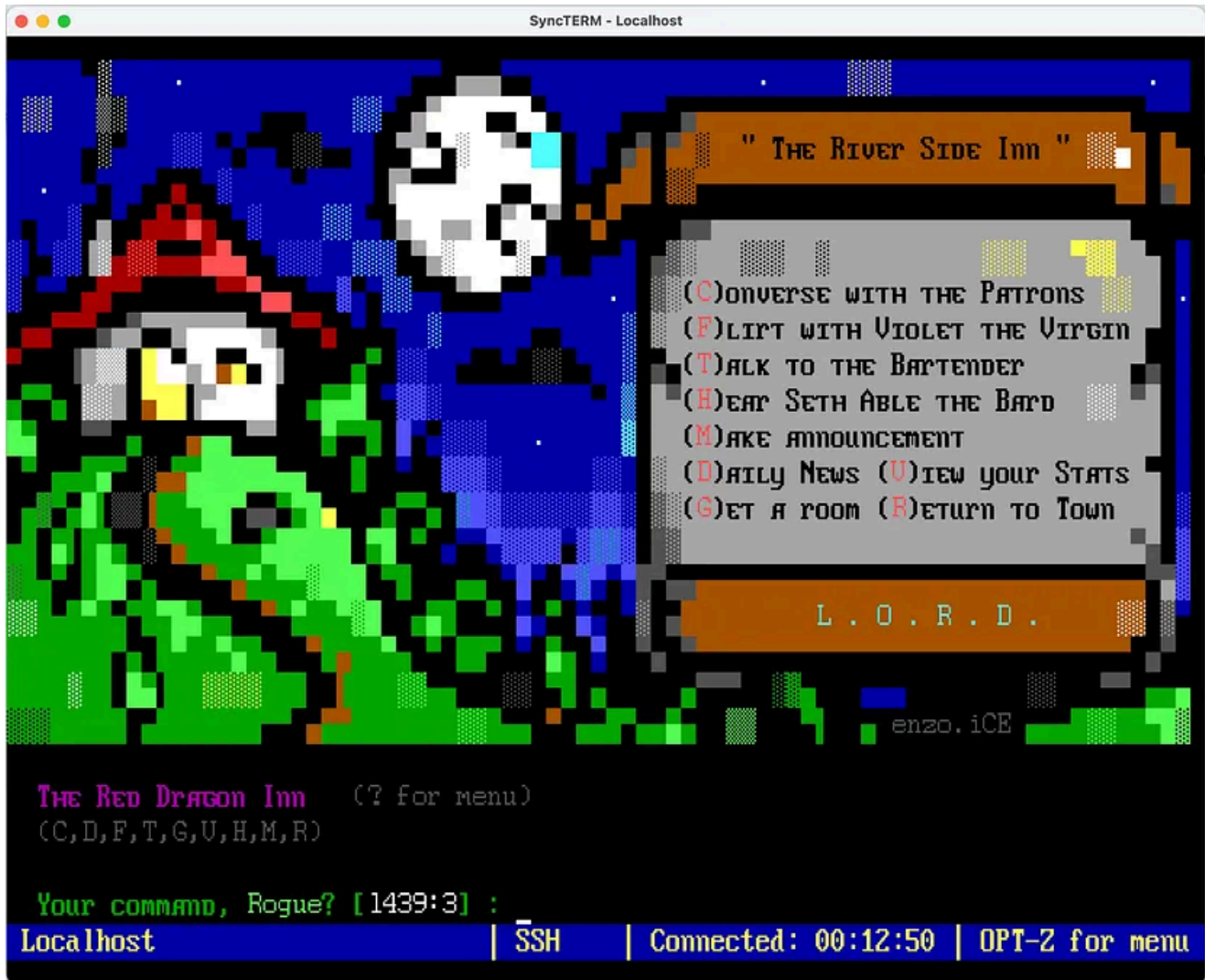
Games External Programs:

Num | Name                                     Num | Name
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 1 | Synchronet Minesweeper                 17 | Milliway's Casino
 2 | Bubble Boggle                          18 | Synchronet Blackjack
 3 | Chicken Delivery                       19 | Star Stocks
 4 | Dice Warz                             20 | Star Trek
 5 | Dice Warz II                          21 | Synchronetris
 6 | Domain Poker                          22 | Synkroban
 7 | DrugLord                             23 | The Beast's Domain
 8 | Fat Fish                              24 | Thirstyville
 9 | Gooble Gooble                         25 | Trade Wars 2 - 500 Sectors
10 | Good Times Trivia                     26 | Uber Blox
11 | Jeopardized?                          27 | Solomoriah's WAR! on Earth
12 | Kammons and Katapults                 28 | Solomoriah's WAR! on Alderon
13 | Lemons                               29 | Solomoriah's WAR! on Solomoriah
14 | Legend of the Red Dragon               30 | Solomoriah's WAR! on Spacewar
15 | LORD II: New World                    31 | Solomoriah's WAR! on Toloivar
16 | Maze Race                             32 | Wordem

Which or Quit:

Localhost M | SSH | Connected: 00:01:18 | OPT-2 for menu
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There's a list that brings back memories...



Let's just leave poor Violet alone now, ok?

The plan is to use a dynamic DNS service to update my whereabouts whenever the case is powered up so friends can connect. The BBS name? Cyberdeck of course. Hit me up on Fidonet for the new user password. 🙄

Currently looking for ANSI artists to commission a custom theme. In the mean time, the Docker configuration is up on [GitHub](#).