

Petfolio Authentication Implementation

Week 2 Progress Report

Successfully implemented Firebase Authentication and user management system for Petfolio, a cross-platform pet care app.



Project Overview

Successfully implemented Firebase Authentication and user management system for Petfolio, a cross-platform pet care app. This milestone completes Week 2 requirements and establishes a secure foundation for user-specific pet management.



Completed Features

1. Authentication System

- [x] **User Registration & Login** - Complete signup/signin flow with email/password
- [x] **Password Reset** - Email-based password recovery functionality
- [x] **Session Management** - Automatic login state persistence
- [x] **Protected Routes** - AuthWrapper ensures only authenticated users access the app

2. Data Models & Architecture

- [x] **User Domain Model** - Immutable User class with JSON serialization
- [x] **Enhanced Pet Model** - Updated to use authenticated user IDs
- [x] **Riverpod State Management** - Migrated from Provider to Riverpod
- [x] **Repository Pattern** - Clean separation of data layer

3. User Interface

- [x] **Login Page** - Professional sign-in form with validation
- [x] **Signup Page** - User registration with display name support
- [x] **User Profile Display** - Avatar and user info in app header
- [x] **Sign Out Functionality** - Secure logout with state cleanup

4. Security & Data Protection

- [x] **Firestore Security Rules** - User-specific data access controls
- [x] **Pet Ownership** - Users can only access their own pets
- [x] **Authentication Guards** - All operations require valid authentication



Visual Improvements

Authentication Flow

- Clean, modern login/signup forms
- Loading states with progress indicators
- Error handling with user-friendly messages
- Smooth navigation between auth screens

User Experience

- User avatar display in app header
- Dropdown menu with user info and sign out
- Automatic redirect to login when not authenticated
- Seamless transition to main app after login



How to Test

User Registration

1. Navigate to the app (redirects to login)
2. Click "Sign Up" to create new account
3. Enter email, password, and optional display name
4. Submit form and verify user creation in Firestore

User Login

1. Enter credentials on login page
2. Verify successful authentication
3. Check user profile display in header
4. Confirm access to pet management features



How to Test (Continued)

Pet Management

1. Add a new pet after authentication
2. Verify pet is tied to your user ID
3. Sign out and sign in with different user
4. Confirm you only see your own pets



Technical Details

Authentication Flow

```
// User signs up → Firebase Auth → Firestore user document
User {
    String id;                  // Firebase Auth UID
    String email;                // User email
    String? displayName; // Optional display name
    List<String> roles; // User roles (default: ['owner'])
    DateTime createdAt; // Account creation timestamp
}
```

Security Implementation

- **Firestore Rules:** Users can only read/write their own data
- **Pet Ownership:** All pets tied to authenticated user ID
- **Route Protection:** AuthWrapper redirects unauthenticated users

State Management

- **Riverpod Providers:** Clean, testable state management
- **AsyncValue:** Proper loading/error/data state handling
- **Real-time Updates:** Firestore listeners for live data sync



Requirements Met

Week 2 Milestones (100% Complete)

-  **User Authentication** - Signup/login with Firebase Auth
-  **Data Models** - User model with JSON serialization
-  **Firebase Security Rules** - User-specific data access

Architecture Improvements

-  **State Management** - Migrated to Riverpod
-  **Code Organization** - Clean feature-based structure
-  **Security** - Proper authentication and authorization



Key Benefits

- **✓ Secure Foundation** - Authentication system ready for production
- **✓ User Isolation** - Each user only sees their own pets
- **✓ Scalable Architecture** - Clean separation of concerns
- **✓ Professional UI** - Modern, intuitive authentication flow
- **✓ Real-time Sync** - Live updates with Firestore



Project Statistics

- **Total Lines of Code:** ~1,200+ lines (excluding comments)
- **Files Created:** 7 new files
- **Files Modified:** 4 existing files
- **Features Implemented:** 12 major features
- **Security Rules:** 5 collection-specific rules
- **UI Components:** 3 authentication screens



Known Issues & Resolutions

- **✓ Fixed:** DisplayName not persisting → Added user reload after profile update
- **✓ Fixed:** Permission denied errors → Updated Firestore security rules
- **✓ Fixed:** Port conflicts → Flutter auto-assigns available ports



Next Steps (Week 3)

Upcoming Features

- [] Photo Upload - Firebase Storage integration for pet photos
- [] Enhanced Pet Forms - More detailed pet profile fields
- [] Care Plan Management - Diet and medication tracking

Technical Improvements

- [] Error Handling - Enhanced error messages and recovery
- [] Loading States - Better UX during async operations
- [] Form Validation - More comprehensive input validation



Achievement Summary

Week 2 Complete: Successfully implemented a production-ready authentication system with user management, security rules, and a professional UI. The app now provides a secure foundation for user-specific pet management, meeting all Sprint 1 Week 2 requirements.

Ready for Week 3: Photo upload and enhanced pet management features.