MeTube – User Manual

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Section 1: User Account

Welcome to the MeTube User Manual, your step-by-step guide to our site! To access all functions of MeTube, you will need an account. Follow the instructions and go to the main page at http://webapp.cs.clemson.edu/~wsherre/MeTube/metube_template/index.php to get started.
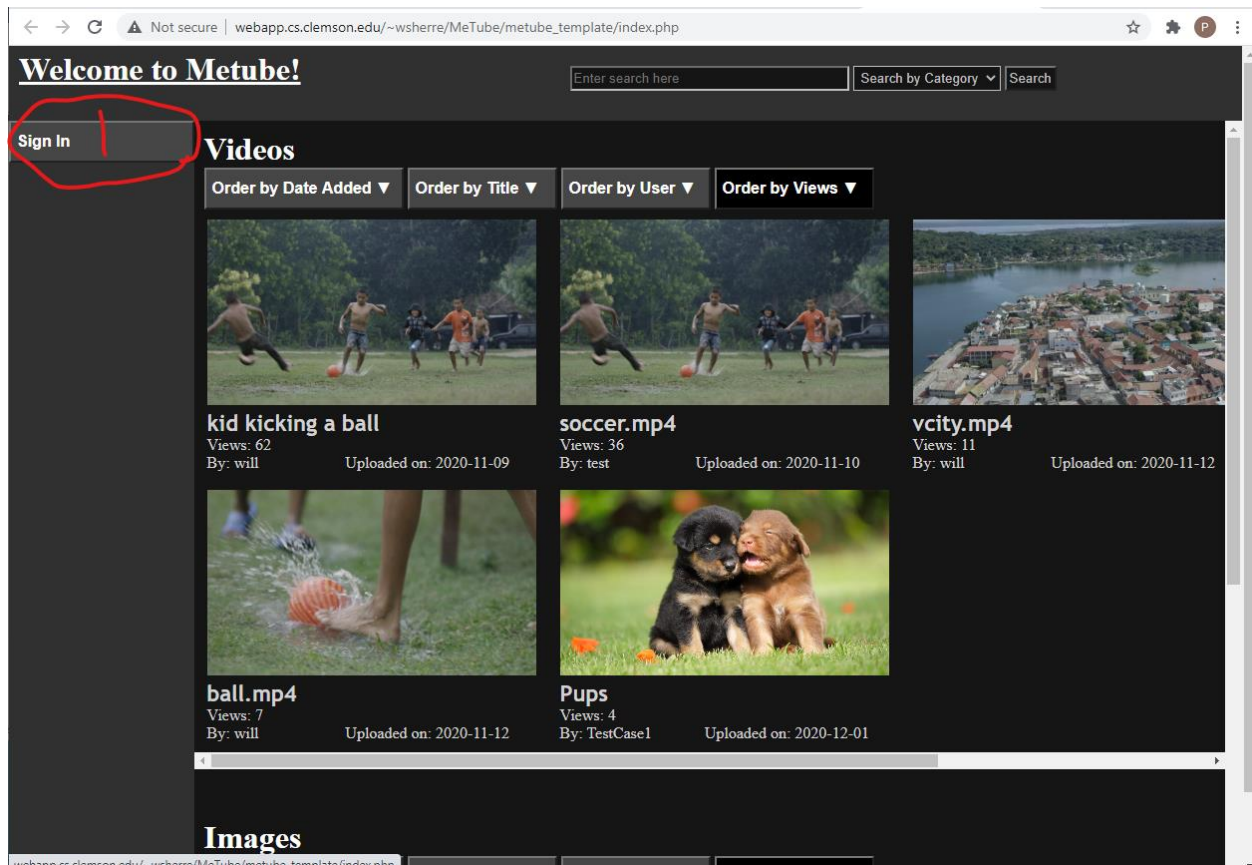
1) Click the sign-in button to get started and you will be redirected to the sign-in page. But don't worry, you will also be able to create an account on this page.

Sign in

The Sign in page introduces 1 new function and that is to sign in if you are an existing user.

1) If you are a new user, click on the register button to be redirected.
2) If you are an existing user, type in your username and password.
3) Then click sign in.

This also introduces the "Home Page" button at the top left of the screen. You will see this button and a "Main Page" button throughout the website. They will each take you to their respective pages.

Register

1) To register for the site type a unique username and secure password (two times) in the first three boxes these must not be null.
2) Then type a valid email address. This also these must not be null.
3) Lastly click on the register button to be redirected to your own page.

Navigating Your Home Page
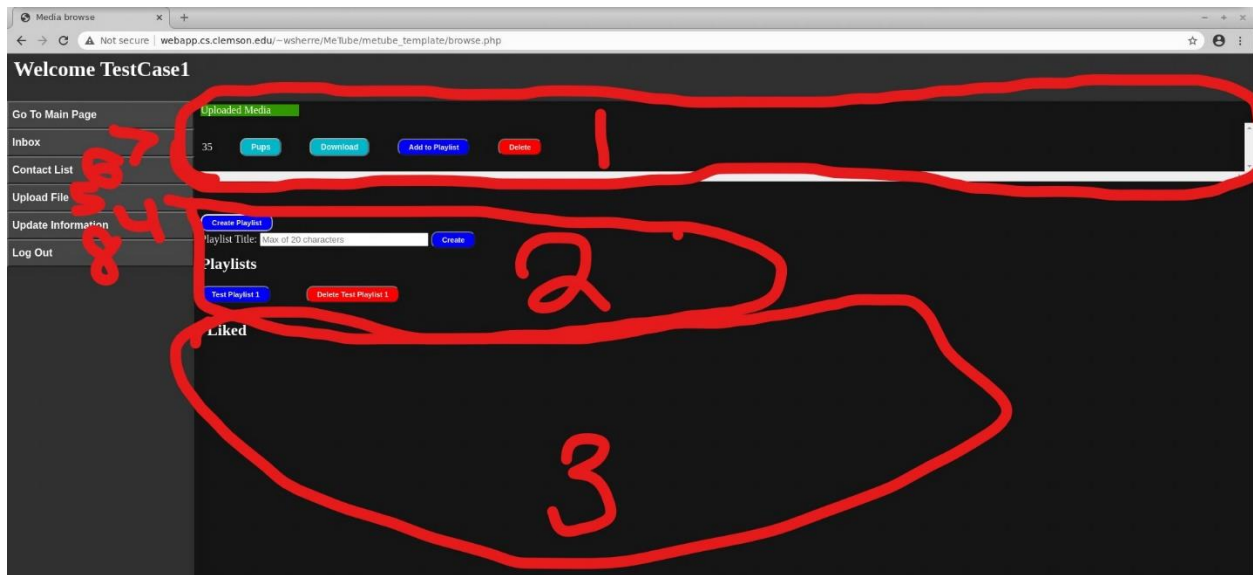
Welcome to your personal homepage! Here is everything you need to know about it!

1) Uploaded Media – Here you can see the media you have uploaded. You can interact with the media here in 4 different ways
   a. View the media by clicking on the titles (Here it is "Pups")
   b. Download them by clicking "Download"
   c. Add them to a playlist by clicking "Add to Playlist"
   d. Delete it from the website
2) Playlists – This displays your existing playlists and allows you to click on the playlist title to see its contents. You can also create new playlists to organize groups of videos how you want them. This can be done by:
   a. clicking "Create Playlist"
   b. Typing your desired title for it
   c. Clicking Create

   There will me more information on adding media to playlists later.

3) Liked Videos – Every time you click like on a video or photo; they will be linked here. This is so that all your favorite pictures and videos are saved in the same spot. You will be able to see a preview of them here as well.
4) Update Information – Click this to manage your account's password or email address on file, see the "Update Information" section for more.
5) Upload File – Click this to upload media and see the "Uploading Media" page for more
6) Contact List – Click this to view contacts and add friends. See the "Contacts" Section for more
7) Inbox – Click this to exchange messages with contacts. See the "Inbox" Section
8) Log Out – Click this button to sign out of your account. You will also be redirected to the Main Page
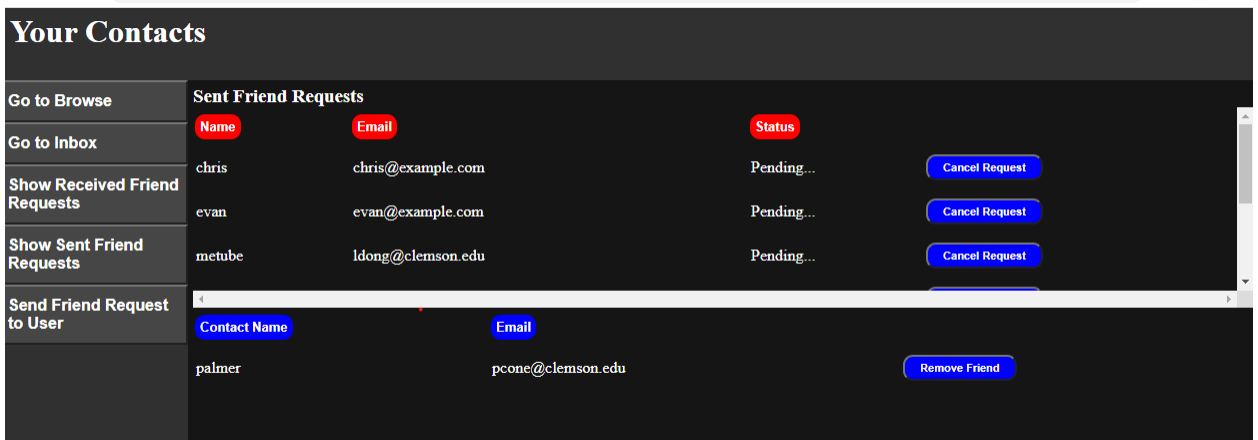
Contacts
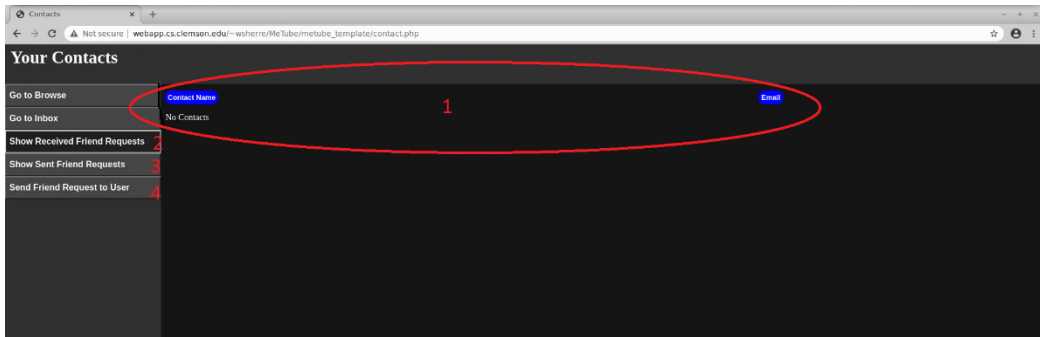
Your contacts page is your method of initiating contact with other MeTube users.

1. This button shows the users you are currently in contact with and you can remove them
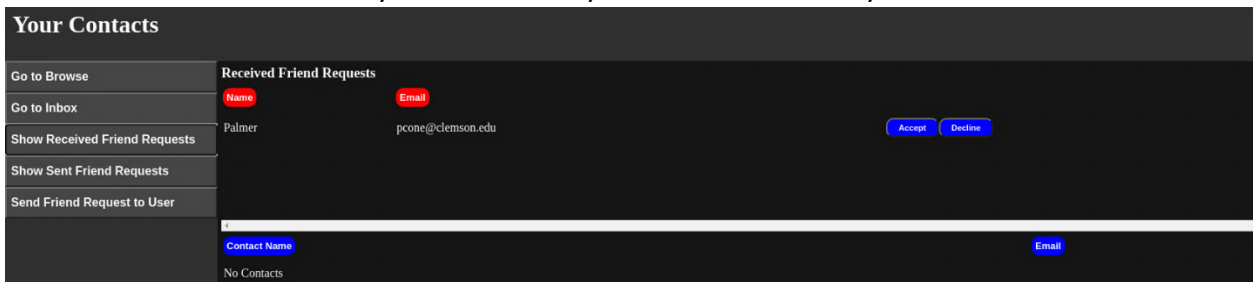
2. Show Received Requests – This button shows you who is trying to add you ad a contact and allows you to accept the invite or decline it.

3. Show Sent Friend Requests – This Button allows you to see the friend requests you sent that the other user did not accept or decline
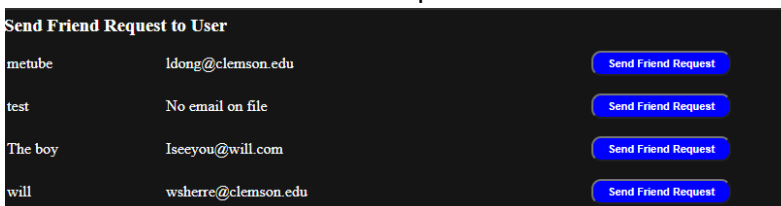
4. Send friend request to User - This button shows you a list of users who are not in your contacts and allows you to request that you connect

Update Information

Update Info for: TestCase1

Go To Homepage

Old Password: [Old Password]

New Password: [New Password]

Confirm New Password: [Confirm Password]

Email: [Test@case.net]

[Update] [Reset]

This page allows a user to change their password or email address on file.
1) Change Password - To do this you must type your old password in the first box and then your new desired password in the next two boxes. Then click update.
2) Change Email - To do this you must type your current password in the first box and your desired email for MeTube to keep on file for you. Then click update.

Section 2: Data Sharing

This section talks about sharing media on MeTube for everyone to see, as well as viewing and downloading media that others have uploaded.

Uploading Files
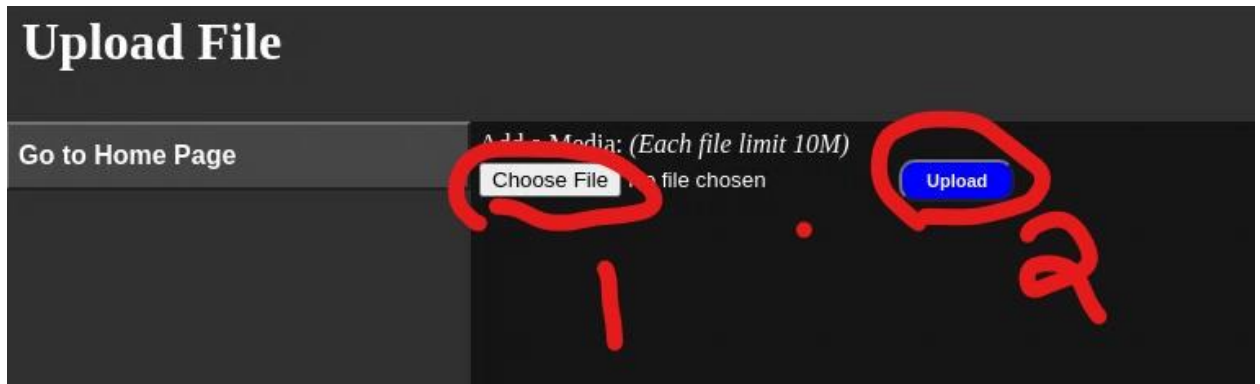
 After clicking on the "Upload Files" button located on the homepage, you will be directed here. Uploading media to MeTube is very easy. Follow these basic steps.

1) Click on "Choose File" and select a media file saved on your computer.
2) Click "Upload"
   Congratulations! You've now uploaded your first file to MeTube. To change the metadata of a file you own or view the metadata of files others have uploaded, click on the title or preview of the Media and you will be redirected.
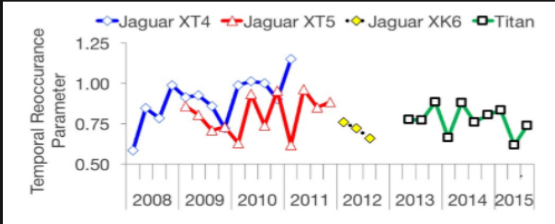
Changing Files You Own

To change a file you own, click on the media as if you were trying to view it and you will be shown a different screen

1) This is where you can change the title of the media, if you own it. To do so, change the title in the text box and click "Change Title".
2) This is where you can add/change a description for your media so others know what they are looking at. To do so, enter your description in the text box and click "Change Description".
3) This allows you to add and remove keywords, which users can search for to find media. To add or remove, Enter the keyword then add or remove, respectively.
4) This allows you to add a category which users will search by with a list of all categories.
5) This shows the link for the file and allows you to download media by clicking "Download" and it will save to your computer.
6) Comments – This allows you to comment on media for everyone to see
7) This button allows you to delete comments on your media
8) You can click this button for a dropdown menu to appear and then you can select a playlist for the media to go in.
9) The "Like" button allows you to save your favorite videos into the "Liked" section on your personal home page.

Section 3: Media Organization

This guide has already gone through some of the important organizational styles. To Uploaded Videos section on your channel shows the media you have uploaded. The playlists section on your home page allows you to create groupings of videos of your choosing and save the groupings as a playlist on your homepage for easy access. We also explained the Liked Videos section, whenever a signed in user clicks on a video's "Like" button, it will appear in their Personal home page "Liked" section. We will go over more ways MeTube organizes data.
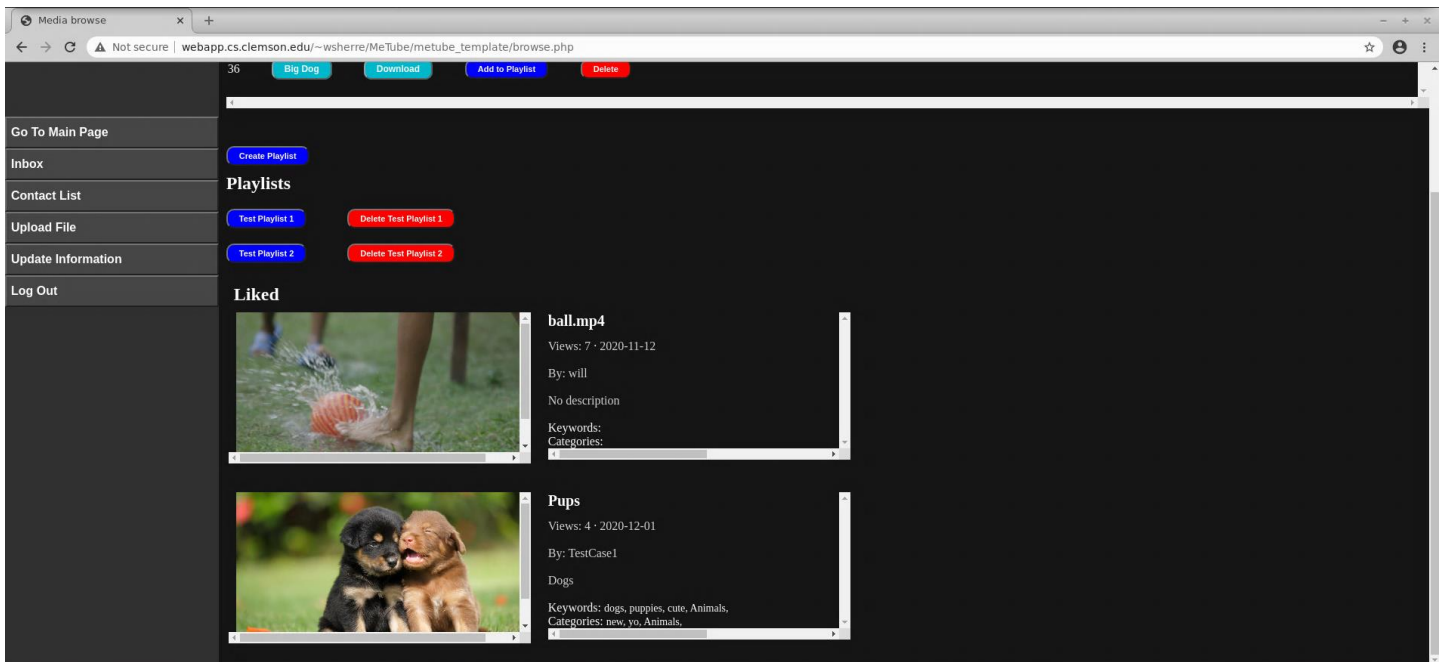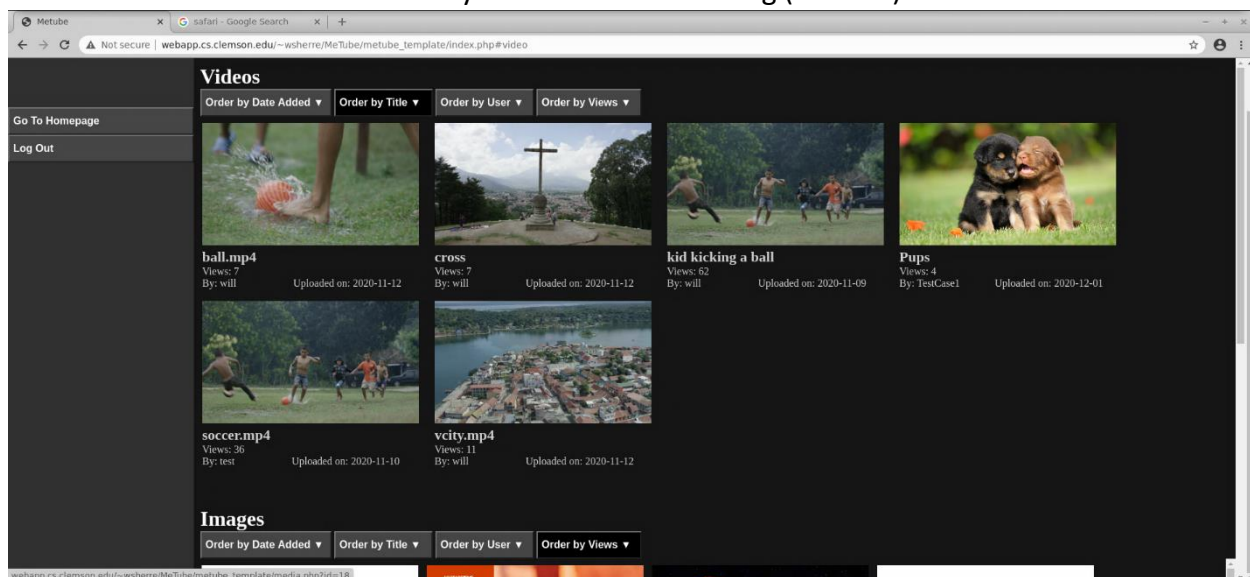
Ordering Media

The ordering media functionality allows you to order data on the main page in multiple different ways and in both ascending and descending order. To do this, simply click on the "Order By _____" for the method you would like. Ascending and descending are determined by the up and down arrow in the box, to change it, click the box again. It should also be noted that on the main page Videos and Images are separated.
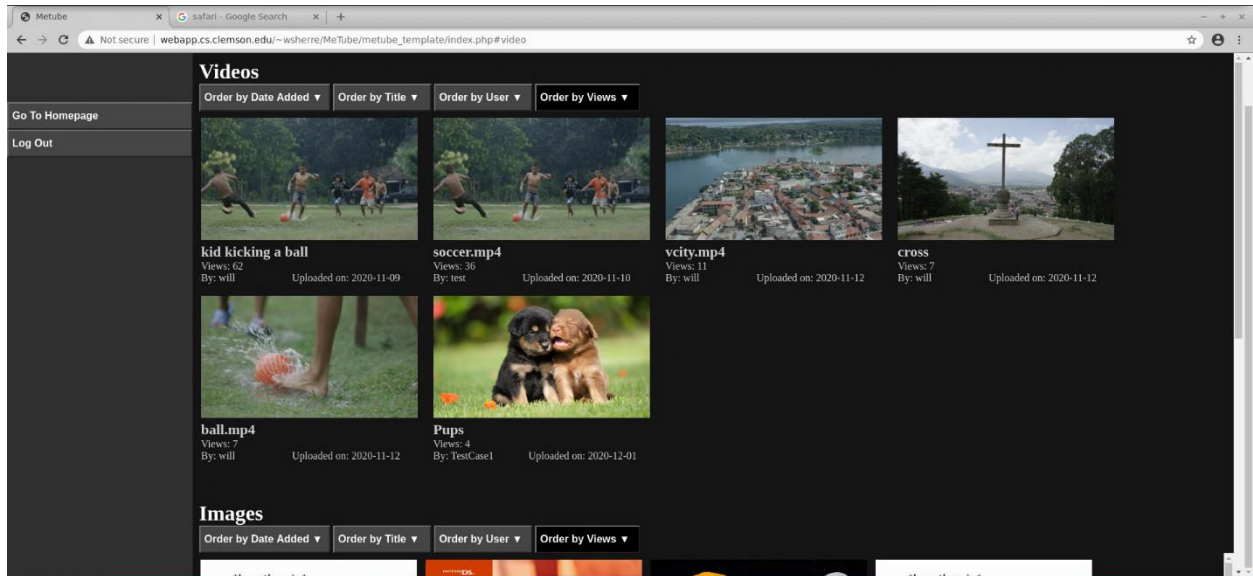
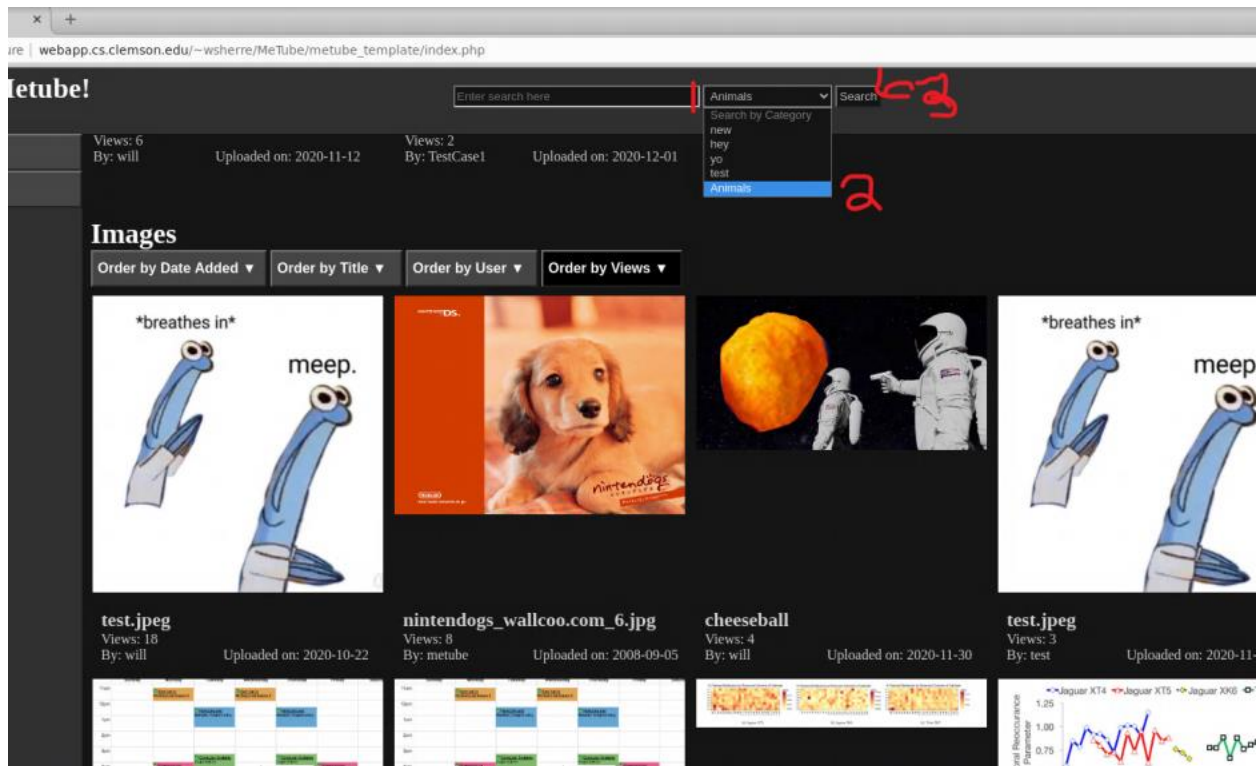**EXAMPLES**
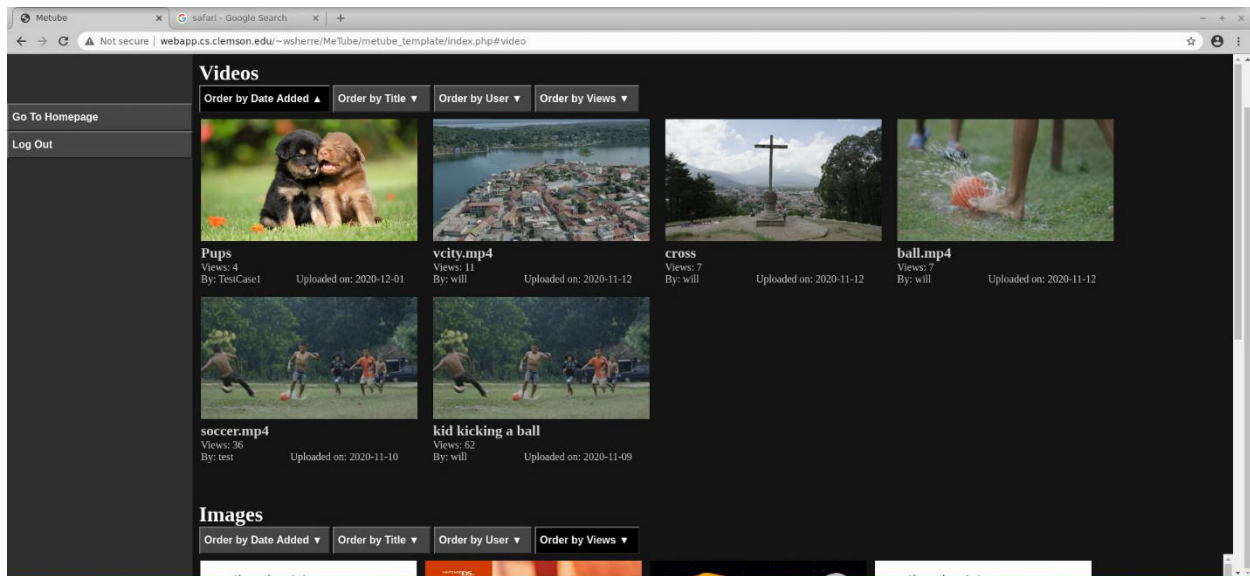
Order by Date Added Ascending (Newest)

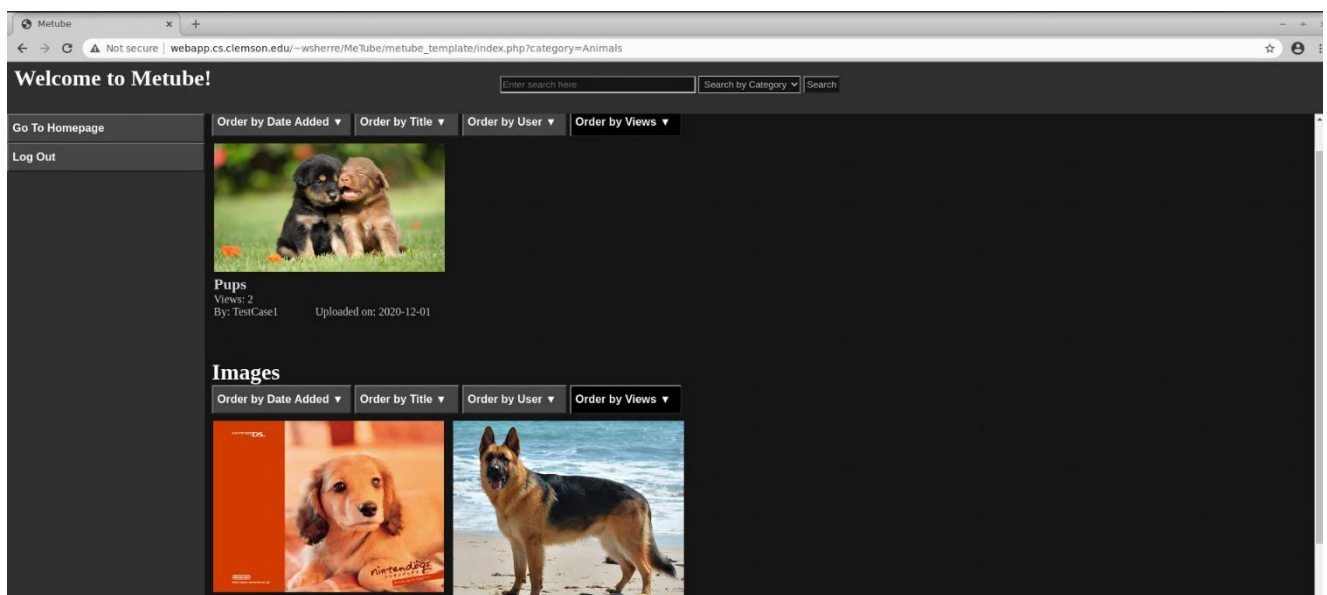Order by Title Ascending (Alphabetical A->Z)

Ordering Media (Cont.)

Order by Views (Most Popular)

Browse Videos By Categories

1) To browse items by categories, click on the categories button at the top of the screen to bring down the dropdown menu
2) Select a category from the dropdown menu
3) Click search
4) Here are the results for browsing the animal category

Section 4: User Interaction

MeTube allows you to connect with others through media but also allows you to talk directly to other users through the Inbox system and commenting.

Inbox
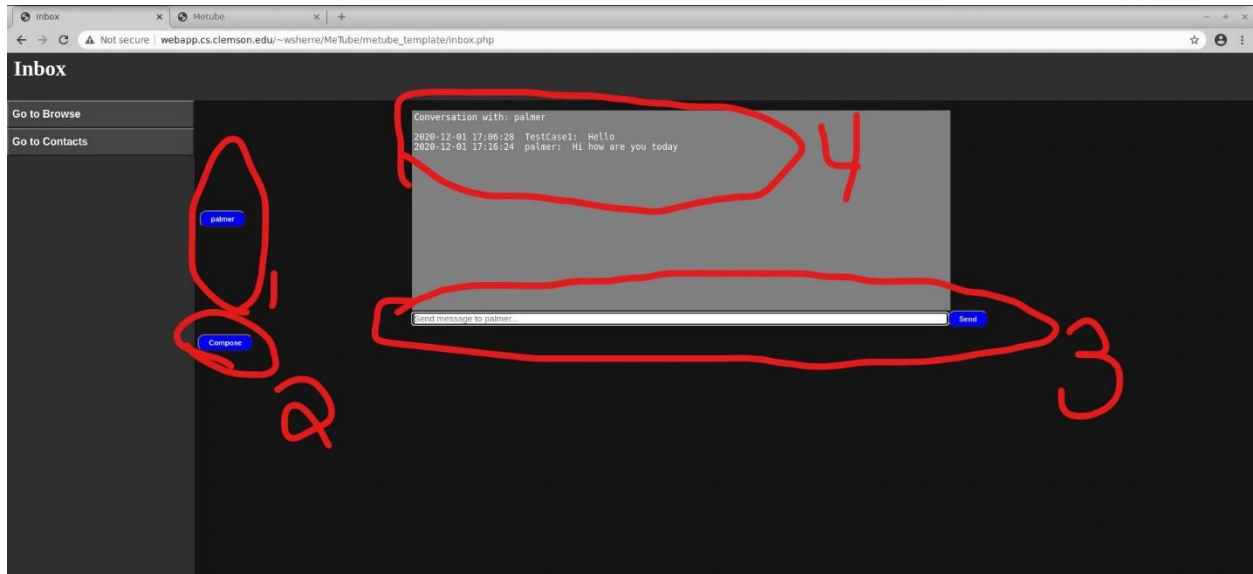
1. This shows a list of contacts that you have had conversations with. Click the button of the user's name for the chat history to show.
2. You can compose new message to a person in your contacts by pressing this button and selecting their name. This will select them for a conversation and allow you to start a new conversation.
3. To send a message, type your message in the text box and click send.
4. This shows your chat history with the selected user

Comments
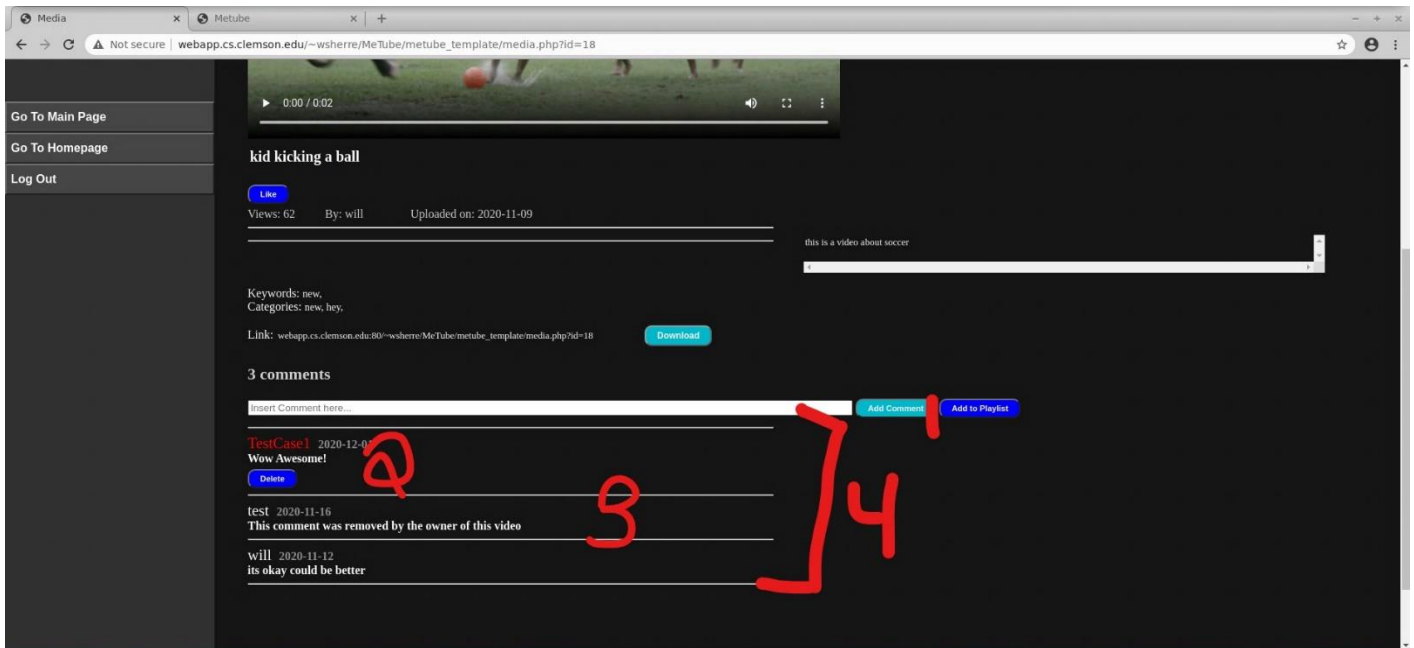
1) As explained before, as user can add a comment by typing their comment in the text box and clicking "Add Comment" for it to be added to the page.
2) The commenter has the option to delete their own comments as well as the owner can delete all comments.
3) This comment was deleted by the owner of the video
4) This is where the comment feed shows up for each MeTube Video.

Section 5: Search

Search by Keyword

Users can search for videos on the main page with a key word. The keywords associated with a video are determined by the owner of the video.
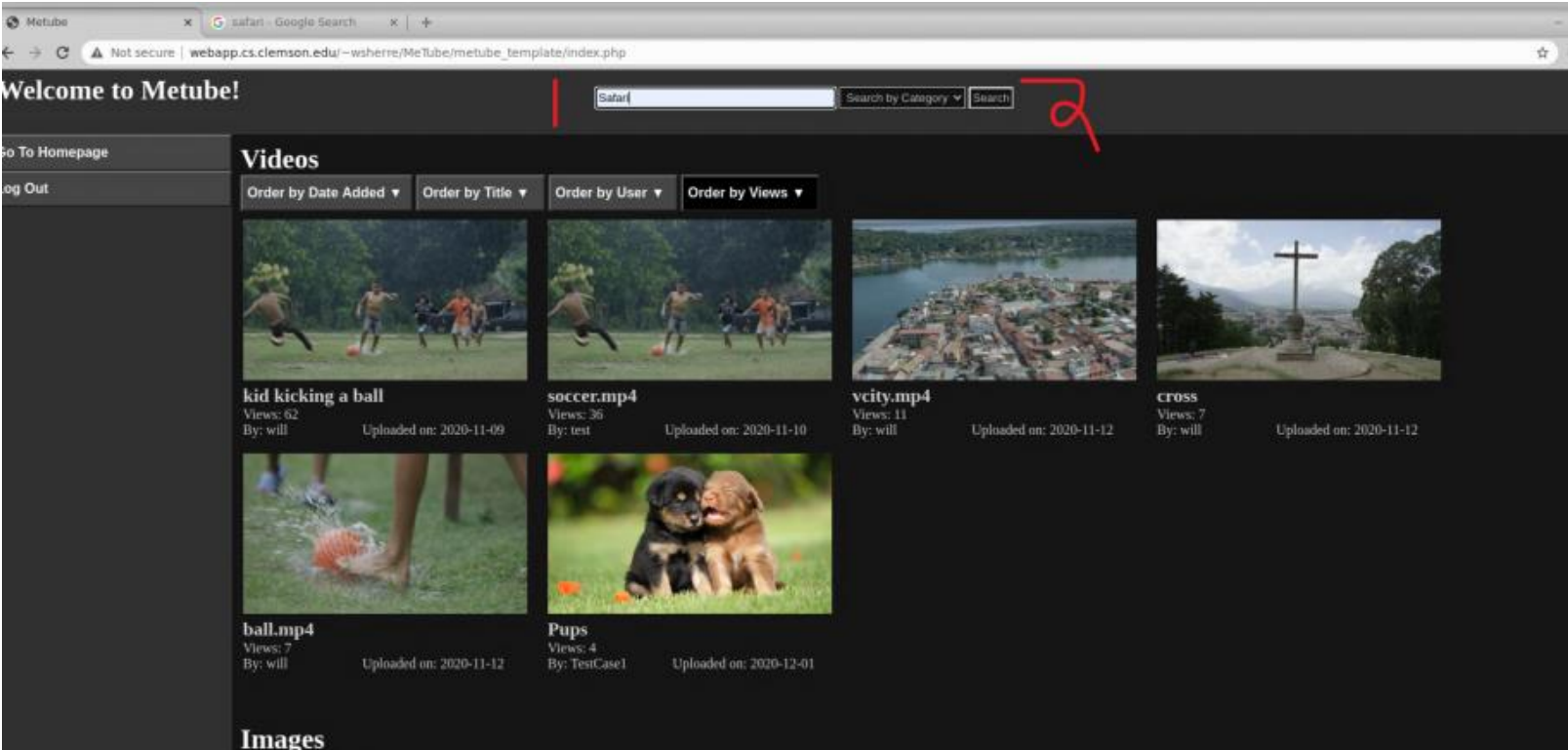
1) Type your desired keyword. In this example it is safari.
2) Click Search. As you see, from searching safari, we found media all with keyword safari.