

Session/Game: Thranconia Blueholme 2

Date: December 12, 2021

The Cat's Back Episode 19: Trollin' All Day Long

Campaign Date: December 12-15

Characters:

Mrow, feline, magic-user-5, N (Bob L.)

Mr. Giggles, gnoll, fighter-4, N (Pete Z.)

Zerkwad, berserker, cleric-5, L (Andrew S.)

Mongo Senior, ogre, fighter-4, N (Jason L)

Shump, half-orc, cleric-fighter-3, C

NPC'S

Chuggins, human, lackey-5, L (Party general dogsbody)

Cat Astrofee, feline, thief-1, N (henchman to Mr. Giggles)

Judge: Dave N.

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December 12, Pits of Damnation

Mrow, Mr. Giggles (with his new henchman Cat Astrofee) , Zerkwad, Chuggins, Mongo and Grumpo's cousin Shump descended into the Pits of Damnation, level 4 again. They used wax in their ears to avoid the cursed buzzing in one of the main hallways. They found a room filled with magical shadow webs, but decided to leave it for later. Further down the corridor, they encountered 3 trolls, on guard for a Dagonite (fish-man) expedition. Mrow used a fireball to weaken them, and the rest of the team wiped them out in short order, seizing some gold in the process.

At the end of the hallway, they found a larger batch of guard-troll who were guarding a stairway upwards. A long grueling battle took place at the doorway. After the team ground down 3 of the trolls, they retreated down the hallway to draw the remaining three out in order to set them up for a lightning bolt from Mrow. The lightning bolt did some injury to the trolls, but they kept coming. They critically injured Zerkwad before the team wiped them out, rescuing Zerk. At this point, after looting the troll-sacks, the party decided to return to the surface and rest and rearm.

December 13-14 Emporion

The party heals their wounds, shops for supplies reacquires their spells.

December 15: Pits of Damnation

The team returns to level 4 to hunt down the rest of the Dagonite expedition. They find the Dagonites themselves and 3 Grey Ogre guards almost immediately. They take the Dagonites by surprise and Mrow's fireball cripples most of them. The party manages to kill all the enemies except 1 ogre in the surprise round, and he is killed almost immediately afterward.

To the south of the Dagonite camp-chamber they find a door guarded by a Glyph of Warding (acid). Mrow uses a knock spell to open the door, but this doesn't activate the glyph. Zerkwad charges through the door and is brutally punished by the acid attack of the glyph, losing his armor and shield as well. He flees to the back of the party to be healed by Shump. Giggles and Mongo engage the ogres as Mrow buries 3 of them in a Dirt Pile, to give the fighters some time, and Chuggins immobilizes one with a tangler. Zerkwad and Shump

charge in too to join the battle (Zerkwad forgetting that his armor had been destroyed by the acid). Eventually, the ogres are all ground down and killed.

After collecting some supplies from the crates and barrels the ogres were guarding, the team crosses the hall and finds a band of 8 ogres, the last band of the Dagonite expedition. The ogres catch the party by surprise, causing great injury to many party members in their charge. Mrow is wounded greatly and knocked prone. He, however, rolls out of the way and casts a Fear spell which causes 6 of the ogres to flee in terror. The fighters rally and kill the last too.

Convinced that there is a secret door on the south wall of the Ogre chamber, the party spends a great deal of time searching, all in vain. This allows a black pudding to wander by and begin to attack. The party keeps hurling fire at it and dodging out of its way. Only Cat Astrofee is caught by the creature and is critically wounded nearly to death just before the beast dies of fire wounds. They manage to save Cat Astrofee, who is never quite as charming as he was after that.

Certain that there is a secret door behind the south wall of the ogre chamber. Mrow uses a Dimension Door scroll to teleport behind the wall, and does indeed find a hidden room. Inside the room are 3 ancient bookcases. After opening the secret door to the rest of the party, Mrow examines one and is cursed by it. He takes off all his equipment and puts it into a pile intending to burn it with magic fire, but the rest of the party spots him and tries to stop him. He attacks and scratches Giggles, whereupon the rest of the party beats him mercilessly into unconsciousness.

Shump examines the second bookcase, setting off a sleep gas trap, which he avoids, but which knocks out Cat Astrofee for an hour. Chuggins successfully disarms a pit trap in front of the third case. They collect some valuable books and scrolls from the cases and return to the surface to split their loot and rest up again.