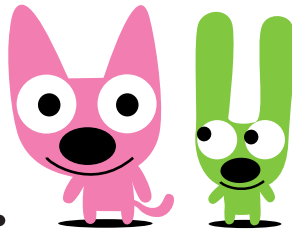




Hello.



this is the first issue of the new hoops&yoyo newsletter, which brings you lots of news about hoops&yoyo, and people who like hoops&yoyo, and bob.

we'd tell you about all our big, exciting plans for the newsletter, but we found out that we don't plan very well. so we'll probably just talk about whatever seems to be happening at the time. that will be okay, though, because there's always something happening here in the land of hoops&yoyo.



email from everywhere

the first interesting thing on our list is the email we get from everywhere. it's really fun. some of the places so far: japan, the netherlands, austria, australia (that's not a typo – it's both austria and australia) brazil, canada, greece, india, mexico and some place called et cetera that we can't find on the globe we have. that's what you get for buying a used globe.

some of the things people have said in those emails:

a nice lady from argentina said that if we went there we would meet gorgeous argentinian girls. we think that's true, since all girls from argentina are gorgeous.

dasha in russia loves us very much.

jah in thailand wrote "thank you so much for making me laugh on my heartbreaking day" which was very wistful for us.

we've gotten lots and lots of email. (from all over, as we mentioned.) it's very enjoyable to hear from people. please keep writing!

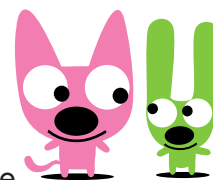
some interesting facts about the land of hoops&yoyo:

bob has an umbrella over his computer.

gabe went on his honeymoon.

cindy has a talking stapler.

there's a large wooden fish in john's office.



just the facts, man.

some nice people from pennsylvania are visiting us this week.



things to look for NOW – WOW!

t-shirts!! but not just any t-shirts. we're on 'em! and you can be in 'em! woo hoo! you can buy them with either regular t-shirt sleeves or cute shorty sleeves (thanks to cathie who's a girl and knows about these things).

you can also order a cool box of hoops&yoyo holiday cards. (we're all about being merry and bright.)

things to look for SOON – but not on the moon (yoyo likes to rhyme)

we'll have bunches of new free stuff soon, too, like...

- the yelling board will be expanded
- there's a new obnoxious board coming
- our december calendar (a fun game: see if you can download the calendar before the editor notices bob's typos and makes him change them!)

sometime soon, we'll have figured out how to do a friday afternoon online chat with hoops&yoyo. as previously noted, it's very enjoyable when we hear from people, so please join the fun when it happens.

that's about all there is for this issue. ice cream is good – have some!

