

Day 8 - Hobby Time

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When asked if you have any hobbies, what would you respond? No, drinking and video games do not count.

Today it's time to focus on your hobby life. Do you have a constructive hobby? One that you can share? If not, you might be suffering from a case of "boring dude" syndrome.

Today get yourself a hobby.

Begin your journey to honing a skill or craft not directly related to your career path. Bonus points if the hobby is a panty-wetter.

Having a hobby will give you interesting things to talk about, make you a more interesting man, and give you something to bond over with both men and women.

Great examples:

- Music writing
- Learning an instrument
- Learn to dance
- Learn to cook
- Learn to paint
- Take up skydiving

Today is the day. Do it. Get a hobby. Go to the gym. You have no excuses. Report back.

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SavageComfort • 4 points • 21 January, 2013 11:46 PM [recovered]

I started learning to dance a couple years ago. My grandpa teased me 'cause I couldn't dance, so I learned. I'll write an account of my experience for anyone considering this option.

I started with ballroom. Foxtrot, waltz, polka, etc. Easy, met some girls that way. Gets old quicker than a crackhead on the carousel. Worth it if you want to be a good, well rounded dancer.

Then I tried swing dancing and salsa. These are way more exciting, but most girls have no idea how to dance swing or salsa. Salsa: If your white, you will be mocked by minorities until competent. Swing: for jazzy styles like East coast, West coast, Charleston, Lindy hop; be prepared for high MF ratios in classes. Chicks do not dig jazz, for the most part. I can't get enough jazz, so I powered through anyway.

Took a semester of tango. Very sophisticated, technical. This one is great because it's not so much about showing off (I'm looking at you, salsa) and this leaves less distraction from the connection between partners. For most people it takes a couple years just to achieve basic competence. I'll save that one for when I have a committed partner. This one is best for already married couples trying to maintain connection, IMO. Not the best for meeting new people.

Country Swing Dancing is really fun, it's show-offy but it works for rock shows, jazz, bluegrass, country. Not so much for the electronic music clubs though.

The best part is you can grab random girls that don't know what they're doing and make them look like they do. And you can have this attitude like "haha city girls can't dance". Never hurts to be the best dancer in the bar, but it CAN hurt to be the ONLY dancer in the bar. (got in a fight last weekend at a douchy bar. Wrigleyville, Chicago. Started 'cause I was the only guy dancing, along with any attention comes negative attention). Took a girl home that night 'cause the guy she came with had lame moves. He was pissed. Surprised he didn't punch me too.

My dancing skills are responsible for every girl I've had since I learned. Which admittedly isn't too many... but still.

I'd like to invite anyone who's had much luck with just grabbing a girl, hauling her to the dance floor, dance for a while, make out a bit, then something like "let's go back to your place", to discuss nuances to that approach.

One of the most important things I've learned recently is: Don't try to dance with girls who are already on the dance floor. They tend to look at you like you're diseased, then all the others see you get rejected and they follow suit. The trick is to start a conversation back at the bar or wherever, then when the band starts an upbeat song: "Hey, let's dance! Take my hand." (never say "care to dance?" or "do you want to dance?" like it's a question they can opt to say no to) That way you're never on display looking for something and not getting it.

TL DR: Learn Country Swing Dancing, use it for rock shows. i.e.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g2Vj7KapLVI>

VZPurp • 20 points • 21 January, 2013 06:36 PM

"A human being should be able to change a diaper, plan an invasion, butcher a hog, conn a ship, design a building, write a sonnet, balance accounts, build a wall, set a bone, comfort the dying, take orders, give orders, cooperate, act alone, solve equations, analyze a new problem, pitch manure, program a computer, cook a tasty meal, fight efficiently, die gallantly. Specialization is for insects."

-Robert A. Heinlein

wtjones • 5 points • 4 March, 2013 05:29 PM

I have this framed over my toilet.

muchmuchbetter • -10 points • 5 April, 2013 01:39 AM

And if I can do all that?

Inb4 jokingggg

CMacek • 2 points • 23 July, 2013 11:05 PM

I logged in only to downvote you. I am not even sorry. Maybe you should put the phrase over your toilet too.

muchmuchbetter • -4 points • 25 July, 2013 02:42 AM

My life iscomplete

[deleted] • 5 points • 22 June, 2013 06:34 PM

I play competitive chess, play guitar, and bodybuild.

Cowieee91 • 2 points • 28 June, 2013 12:18 AM

Fuck yeah. I always liked Kasparov, I might have a crack at some chess.

ospurt • 4 points • 21 January, 2013 06:16 PM

OK, why does this seem like I'm on a journey to recover the man I *used* to be and make that guy better.

I used to snow ski. It is on my list of things to do this spring. I used to water ski, don't know if I can pull that off this summer. I cook very well...and my dishes have been requested by many. I learned to mix live sound and set up gigs/venues. I camp/hike and have rappelled on occasion.

I took a ballroom dance class, and was actually pretty decent, but my ex could never follow (she insisted we take the class). She complained the whole time about how I wasn't doing it right....when we switched partners I never had a problem. Needless to say I still really don't dance, but should....all confidence was killed by her.

Panty-Wetters? hmmm...don't know.

redpillschool[S] • 4 points • 21 January, 2013 06:22 PM

It's ok to do hobbies that make yourself happy. In fact, I think having a hobby that only makes you happy is kind of alpha in itself. You literally don't care who else is happy but you.

At the end of the day, a masculine man has many hobbies, with many experiences he can draw upon to enter almost any conversation with at least a working knowledge of any topic.

Getting caught off-guard at an event you weren't expecting and knowing how to do the dance with confidence can instantly turn heads.

VZPurp • 3 points • 22 January, 2013 01:21 AM

Hobbies are fun. I'm always doing or making things. Yesterday I brewed some beer (it's fermenting now - bottling in a couple weeks).

Right now I'm making a rather substantial lateral transition as far as careers go, so I have to hold off on taking anything else up that's time consuming, but next on my list is something more in the arts.

phpl9 • 3 points • 26 January, 2013 09:35 PM

What about callisthenic and street workout?

redpillgreenlight • 2 points • 18 July, 2013 03:22 AM

I have a full time job and I'm trying to become an actor, so hobby time is very limited. With that said, I'm getting back into Capoeira, so I think that counts

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redpillschool[S] • 7 points • 21 January, 2013 06:09 PM

You just don't want to be a mono-interest.

For instance, when you're with a new group of people. What things do you discuss? How do you bond?

I use playing piano as a great hobby- and it gives me a hook to meet new people. Come back to my place I'll show you some stuff!

Instantly there's a conversation about the piano or whether the piano is still relevant in pop culture and so on and so forth.

Certainly don't waste time, but do something you think will build your personality.

ysef95 • 4 points • 21 January, 2013 10:30 PM

martial arts are an excellent way to accomplish fitness and discipline goals in addition to having a new hobby they are also a major panty wetter and allow you to escalate kino by showing a girl some "moves".

There are loads of really good subreddits and id really recommend taking up a martial art as your hobby because youll learn to push your limits which in turn will help your journey of self actualisation. I myself am considering taking up sky diving or climbing.

phpl9 • 1 point • 28 January, 2013 06:02 PM

OK 6 month ago I tokk calisthenic, street workout and gymnastic training as a hobby. My next hobby is guitar.

VZPurp • 1 point • 31 January, 2013 04:57 AM

Nice! What style are you looking to play?

phpl9 • 1 point • 31 January, 2013 02:37 PM

I'm playing on classic guitar now but I;m going to buy electric guitar :D

MockingDead • 1 point • 28 June, 2013 10:14 PM

I can't seem to get my hobbies going. I have a Guitar (and soon to be a banjo, a lap guitar, and possibly a violin) and I have art supplies. When i was younger I was a Poet and artist (and was eye-raped by every girl). Now I just don't seem to have the time. Either I am working or, like now, I can't pull myself off the intarwebs.

I was also in MArTial Arts.

I need practice, and I am not getting it.

[deleted] • 1 point • 5 July, 2013 05:17 AM

☐ I love cooking. I went to culinary school for a crash course and I prepare most of my meals. ☐ I like running -
- I ran a 10k a few months ago. ☐ Dancing from next semester ☐ Tennis from next semester

(Maybe say, depending on context) ☐ I like programming.

[deleted] • 1 point • 4 March, 2013 06:59 PM

I'm leaning towards fishing. Any anglers in here care to offer up a starting point?

Technieker • 2 points • 29 June, 2013 01:18 AM

Cutting wood. From firewood to furniture, it is surprisingly engaging. Swinging an axe around can also be a good work-out.

[deleted] • 2 points • 29 June, 2013 03:59 AM

As a firefighter, I know all about that axe. Beautiful bastard of an axe.