

This is a cursory design for a Pokemon RP game, meant for a small number of players (2-3 at most). This is only a rough draft and will most likely see various changes before it actually gets used. Many will be out of order, as they are added in their creation order. The region's current name is **Ozziara (Auz-zee-ah-ra)**.

First off, the way the Pokemon League works has been changed. There is one Gym for each Type. To challenge the Elite Four, you must show your aptitude and skill by earning 12 of the Gym Badges. The "E4" is not four specific trainers. Instead, the challenging Trainer schedules matches with four of the remaining Gym Leaders, where they will face the Leaders' best pokemon with one available rematch to use on one specific Leader. If all four are defeated, the Trainer may challenge "The Champion". The Champion is actually a random member chosen from a pool of Trainers that have previously beaten the Pokemon League, 10 in total. If the Trainer is victorious, they are rewarded with the title of "Pokemon Master", with the option to go further and fight for a spot in the Champion pool. Several Champions are known to the public, but a few keep their identity secret to keep their lives simpler than their peers. This system is set up so that aspiring Masters can opt not to challenge two of the Leaders. Trainers are unable to retry the E4 challenge, and instead must attempt the second path.

There is a second path to the Champion battle. Once you have collected 8 Gym Badges, a Trainer can enter into the Grand Tournament (GT/G-T/GrT (pronounced "Gurt")), where they are to battle their way through a multitude of rival trainers. Depending on the total participation, anywhere from 1-5 trainers end up being allowed to challenge the Champion. Each one fights a different Champion. Only Badges earned no earlier than four years previously are eligible for entry, as a larger period would end up bloating the brackets. This path is meant to give those seeking Master status a venue to showcase themselves against each other. There are other tournaments that take place, but are not wholly affiliated with the Pokemon League.

Fighting Gym: Joshua "Jaws" Price, 39, Force Badge ((He's named after two British boxers who have medalled in the Olympic Super Heavyweight division.)). A hard, ruthless trainer. He took over running the Fighting Gym after crippling the previous leader, his mentor. He shows no mercy, and no compassion for his pokemon. **Hitmonchan** is his signature pokemon.. Price gained acclaim even before becoming a leader with his career and exploits in the boxing ring. He even held mixed martial-arts exhibition matches against Fighting pokemon and won each time, sometimes severely injuring them in the process. He is cold and unforgiving, especially to those he perceives as weak, which ends up being almost everyone he meets. A large, muscular, powerhouse of a man. Think Jean-Claude Van Damme prowess and looks with Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson's size.

Poison Gym: Locke "Sweet Nothings" Sarini, 29, Blight Badge ((Named after hemlock, the poison that killed Socrates, and sarin gas)). Charming, flirtatious, and a hopeless romantic, the Poison Gym Leader is a man of passion and love. It's odd that a Type considered crude and offensive would have such a nice and charismatic spokesman, but after spending time with him one can begin to see why. Locke is a prolific author of the Romance genre, and believes that, *"Love is the sweetest poison. It creeps into your body and mind, corroding your every thought and action until you ~are~ Love. It is entirely addictive and permeates every facet of society. Without Love, the world is wretched and barren. Love is the acid which scars the gemstone that is Life, etching the pattern of passion for all to see."* He has over two dozen published works and always carries a computer notebook wherever he goes for when

inspiration strikes. Trainers are his main focus, as he believes “love on the battlefield” is one of the purest forms of love. **Seviper** is his signature pokemon, and when not battling the two can be found coiled up together, writing and laying about.... if they're not “doing research” by following and taking notes on Trainers. Mix one part David Tennant, one part Johnny Depp, and one heaping helping of Tom Hiddleston.

Psychic Gym: Louisa Geller, 26, Oracle Badge ((Named after Louisa Rhine, wife of J.B Rhine, founder of parapsychology, and Uri Geller, supposed psychic and entertainer)). An elegant woman, Louisa is as serene as a shrine maiden, and as wily as a con-artist. She rarely gives a straight answer that can only have one meaning. Originally a magician's assistant, she was arrested on suspicion of several high profile thefts that occurred at the same locations she toured. The items were found in her possession, but she was found not guilty after a lengthy trial where she defended herself with no legal council. The fiasco thrust her into celebrity status, and she ended up starring on her own reality show where she journeyed and trained a team of Pokemon, her signature ones being a male and female pair of **Meowstic**. She was a natural in battles (though detractors claim many of them were staged) and ended up taking the vacant Psychic Leader position after the previous Leader went missing on a training vacation. She has flourished in the role, where she holds televised tournaments for trainers in her city with her as the host. She'll sweet talk you into doing what she wants or run verbal circles around you until you give up. Picture Kagome from Inuyasha mixed with Faye Valentine of Cowboy Bebop, dressed like a more respectable Zatanna.

Flying Gym: Theodore “Stampede” Patterson, 58, Nest Badge ((Named after Theodore Roosevelt, stately American president and world class big game hunter, and John Henry Patterson, famous big game hunter and the one who bagged the “Tsavo Man-Eaters”)). Patterson, “TS” to his friends and associates, is a burly gentleman at home both in a smoking parlor recounting any number of his successful hunts, or out in the wilderness forging a new tale... with the trophies to prove it. Hunting since he could hold a firearm, he is one of the foremost experts on tracking pokemon, as well as the one called to capture or kill any rampaging ones threatening people, pokemon, and the environment. He always seems to spark controversy whenever on expedition as his first and favorite option is killing his target, unless he deems it worthy of capture or placating, or is ordered to use nonlethal means. He earned his nickname when, more than 20 years ago now, he and his **Skarmory** stared down a herd of thrashing Tyranitar and killed them all after a long, drawn out fight. He has held the Flying Leader position since then, the previous Leader stepping down to focus on her family. TS views weaker Trainers and their pokemon as only an audience for his exploits as the end all, be all of what a Trainer is capable of and should strive to be. He settles for nothing less than complete dominance over nature and pokemon. Picture the quintessential British gentleman explorer mixed with TF2's Saxton Hale (in a much more serious view) all with a wicked handlebar mustache.

Fire Gym: Alfred “Oops” Grant, 30, Firecracker Badge ((Named after Alfred Nobel, inventor of dynamite, and Grant Imahara of Mythbusters)). Freddy and his sister Alessandra worked for 12 years in pyrotechnics and SFX for the entertainment industry, starting at the young age of 12 under their uncle's tutelage. Alfred focused on the personal aspect of their craft, making sure the customer and audience were in awe by the displays. After a while, he was rarely allowed near the product itself, as while he wanted to put on the best show, he also absolutely loved watching them go off, occasionally preemptively, much to the annoyance of his twin. His **Magmortar** is also quite the pyromaniac, and Freddy fills the Fire

Gym regularly with non lethal explosives and flammable materials for them to set off. A rift has grown between the twins after an explosive argument during their final project 3 years ago where they were in charge of the opening ceremony of the GT. Alfred looks similar to Dominic Monaghan, Merry of the LotR films, with close cut hair and a burn scar over his nose and right cheek, and always wears a pair of baggy fire retardant pants.

Electric Gym: Alessandra Grant, 30, Current Badge ((named after Alessandro Volta, physicist and chemist who was a pioneer on studying electricity, and Grant Imahara of Mythbusters)). Alessandra, the second Grant twin, is the polar opposite of her brother. A certified genius and a polymath, she spends most of her time hunched over a bank of computers with her **Electivire**. In her eyes, everything can be collected, collated, and explained with science. She is constantly running at least half a dozen experiments within her own private lab complex adjacent to the Gym she runs. The cause of the division between the siblings was an accidental pyrotechnic show start while Alessandra was still amongst the equipment. It left burns up and down her body, leaving her with a noticeable limp and only one eye after her recovery. Her Leader status was sponsored by Ascendant Industries, whom also backs her scientific research. Picture Ellen Page, older, and with unkempt hair that covers the right side of her face to hide the burn scars; **Electivire** and her wear matching lab coats.

Water Gym: Horatio Edwards, 21, Depth Badge ((Named after Horatio Nelson, expert tactician and officer of the British Navy, and Edward Smith, Captain of the Titanic)). Edwards's life has always been tied with the sea. Born on his parent's small fishing boat during a freak storm, he spent so little time on land in his early years that he actually grew disoriented and nauseous when going farther in than the docks they visited. Home(or is it "boat"?)schooled, he scored exceptionally high on placement tests to enter a maritime academy run by the previous Water Leader, a place to train Coast Guard styled rescue and water pokemon placating teams. He was enrolled early at the age of 13, and quickly jumped to the head of his class in all his subjects. On his first assignment to stop a school of berserking **Sharpedo**, he befriended and caught a larger than average **Tentacruel**, which he used to stop the rampaging creatures. The two have been inseparable since that day, and Horatio is widely considered the de facto expert on understanding and training Water Type pokemon. His Gym is located in the marina near his former school, which he passively oversees, preferring instead to keep a vigilant watch over his domain, protecting the land from the sea... and the sea from the land. He looks like a tanned Shizuo Heiwajima of "Durarara!!", without the random bouts of rage induced inhuman strength, and shorter hair.

Bug Gym: Christopher "Charger" Kevins, 33, Antenna Badge ((Named after Chris' Evans and Hemsworth of the Marvel movies, and Kevin Conroy, the voice of almost every animated Batman for 2 decades)). Beginning his acting career when still in the cradle, Kevins' celebrity status went skyrocketing when he landed the lead role on the highly popular children's show "Carapace Charger" at 10 years old. For more than 9 years he battled the forces of the evil "Team Chaos" as the Carapace Charger, a hero who could copy the powers of any Bug Type pokemon. He was a household name before he even hit puberty, and when not on set he spent his time bonding with his pokemon co-stars **Ledian** and **Nincada/Ninjask**. A baker's dozen of movies and countless guest appearances on other shows later, he retired from show-biz to spend more time being a Trainer. He fired his long time manager when he found her bribing his opponents to throw their battles. He and his team trained for hours every day, and their effort was apparent when he almost beat the Pokemon League Gym Challenge, losing to "Stampede" Patterson twice. He went on to enter in the Grand Tournament, and swept through all his

opponents. His Champion battle ended in a draw, both pokémon being knocked out at the same time. He was offered the Bug Leader position when the previous holder was diagnosed with terminal cancer. Growing up did him well; he was a doofy looking kid when younger, but now can be described as “Christian Bale with stubble and rat-tail”.

Dark Gym: Allan “Cerberus” Rook, 71, Mantle Badge ((Named after Allan Pinkerton, and Marvel’s Punisher, Frank Castle)). Allan Rook comes from a long line of peacekeepers and police officers. Groomed for the service from a young age, he effortlessly climbed through the ranks once he joined the force, owing to the fact that several family members were themselves amongst the top brass. The whole world learned his name after he single handedly stopped a villainous Thief, Poacher, and Terrorist of Pokémons from escaping after giving dozens of other officers in the vicinity the slip. His **Houndoom** made short work of the criminal and their fiendish team, but ended up killing 2 Poké-napped ones in the process. A media storm occurred soon after, splitting most of the country on whether it was good that rogue was stopped, or deplorable that unwilling pokémon lost their lives to police brutality. Whatever side the majority opinion was, “Cerberus” as he came to be called, didn’t care. He had done his job. The bureaucracy thought otherwise, and did as much as they could to keep him deskbound for the rest of his career. Retiring early at 46, he formed a private investigation and bodyguard company named Aegis, and oversees its operation to this day, with offices all over the world. After several exhibition matches with top ranking Pokémon League Trainers, he was offered the role of Dark Gym Leader after the previous Leader was arrested for pokémon smuggling and abuse. He is an aging man, but still stands tall, with a shaved head, van dyke, and glasses.

Ghost Gym: Celeste Crowley: 9, Sepulchre Badge ((Named for the Latin and French words for “heavenly”, and Aleistar Crowley)). Celeste is the daughter of the previous Ghost Leader, Silas, and her story is an eerie mystery. It begins with her parents and her embarking on a cruise vacation for a two week sail off the coast of Ozziara to celebrate her 7th birthday. Unfortunately, it lasted less than a week. At sunset on the 6th night, the ship’s journey ended. It is unknown what truly happened in the following hours except this: no radio distress calls were made, the ship sunk extremely quickly, and no one made it off in any of the life boats or their own pokémon. Horatio and his teams arrived early the next morning to rescue the survivors, but found none, until little Celeste floated to the surface, face down. Thought to be dead when she was pulled out of the freezing waters, the men found that there was life behind her open eyes... at least, something akin to life. Her father’s Leader Badge pinned to her dress and his Pokéballs strapped around her small frame, she was declared the only survivor after 5 days of searching. The ship itself is unrecoverable, having fallen deep into a trench where only the stupid dare think to go. When it came time to decide on a new Ghost Leader, Celeste showed up to the meeting, wearing the Badge and Pokéballs. Without speaking one word, she swept all of the challengers, many of whom were students of her father. After a long debate amongst the other Leaders, it was decided that Celeste would take control of the Ghost Gym. While we may never know what truly happened that horrible night, we do know this one fact: Silas was considered the toughest of the Leaders, rarely letting any challenger best his team, and Celeste holds true to that tradition. Not a single Trainer has beaten her since she was installed 2 years ago. Celeste is a small girl, pale and petite. She has long blonde hair that is so ashen it can be considered grey or white that reaches the small of her back, and she only wears a long white dress with dark blue trim, her father’s belt cinched around her waist. Her piercing green eyes never shut.

Fairy Gym: Audrey “Queenie” Pryor: 55, Mystic Badge ((Named after Audrey Hepburn)).

Audrey is a descendant of Ozziara's former line of royalty, and a superstar. Singer, actress, model, if it was something only the beautiful and talented people did, you knew she would be front and center. A sex icon by 16, she drew all the eyes to her every time she entered a room. There was no saying no to this pop culture goddess. She wasn't a trainer to scoff at either with her **Gardevoir** by her side at all times. As the years came and went, leaving a lasting legacy became her goal. She married her long time manager in a colossal wedding, broadcasted on three different channels, and later in the year she gave birth to a daughter. She doubled her focus on being a top notch Trainer while raising her child, and ended up winning the Grand Tournament two years in a row. She lost to the "Champion" both times, but when the previous Fairy Leader died in a car accident, she was the first name on the list of people to fill the vacancy. Audrey and **Gardevoir** are just as elegant as they were in their early years... with the help of a little plastic surgery here and there, and they spend their days as busy as ever, producing and directing movies and shows in her own studio lot, which sits adjacent to the relocated Fairy Gym. She does however find time to rest in her mansion which overlooks the two. She is seductive, she is domineering, and above all, she is exquisitely composed, like a queen in her throne room. Mix one part Marilyn Monroe with one part Olivia Wilde.

Steel Gym: Amelia "Princess" Pryor, 20, Ingot Badge ((Named after Ami Onuki of PUFFY)). Daughter of the sensational "Queenie" Pryor, Amelia entered into the spotlight hours after her birth and never left. A whirlwind of activity on the stage and screen alike, she was a prolific child actor, starring in 14 movies by the time she was 10, and appearing in 36 other movies and shows. Her mother was absent frequently, and her father became notorious for being a womanizer, leaving her only constant in life her partner **Mawile**. When she was 11 she formed a singing duet with another young actress and friend, Jacquelyn Hargreaves. The two reached new heights together releasing 6 top charting albums in 5 years along with a slew of hit singles. Amelia kept her schedule deadlocked throughout it all, staying under the media's radar by training her pokemon under the pseudonym "Titanette". Her secret came out when she challenged her mother's Gym, and she decided to drop her first career for her new one, much to the annoyance of Jacquelyn. The previous Leader held exhibition matches for his retirement, and Amelia came out on top. She's taken up being the "face" of the Gym Leaders. She looks like a cross between Natalie Portman and Keira Knightly, which let's be honest, we all think look exactly alike anyway.

Ice Gym: Jacquelyn Hargreaves, 21, Summit Badge ((Named for Jack Frost, and Alison Hargreaves, first female mountaineer to climb Mt. Everest unassisted)). Born in an unassuming small mountain town, chances are good she would have led an equally unassuming life. That is, if she hadn't been noticed by talent scouts at age 7 while they were on set filming in the snow fields near her home. With the voice of an angel and a stare that pierces your soul, she became an overnight star. A natural at acting, she never needed the script after reading it over once. It was decided when she was 11 to join forces with fellow star Amelia Pryor to form a pop duet. They were more powerful together than they were apart, proceeding to dominate the charts for years. Jacquelyn was given a **Snorunt** as a child to keep her company after she left home, and by this time it became a **Froslass**. When it was revealed that Amelia was taking the Gym Challenge behind her back Jackie declared her exit from performing as well, making herself a bitter rival of her former friend. She struggled in her attempt, but when the Ice Leader was declared missing after attempting a treacherous mountain climb, she came in ahead of all the challengers vying for the position, making Leader 2 months after her former friend. She is a descendant of Ozziara's indigenous people, giving her a dark skin tone, and can be likened in appearance to a young Tyra Banks.

Rock Gym: Hiram Fawcett, 40, Ravine Badge ((named after Hiram Bingham III, an archeologist who claimed to be the first to find Machu Picchu)). Hiram Fawcett is the premier source of Ozziara's archeological discoveries. Initially just a simple young Trainer, he caught the paleontology bug when going off the beaten path in an overgrown forest and stumbling upon an ancient Ozzian ruin. Within he found a hive of **Unown**, confirming a leading theory that the species was native to Ozziara just as in other locales across the world. Hiram dropped his formal Trainer journey to become a researcher and explorer of Ozziara's hidden and forgotten past. Every few years he'd declare another unearthing of importance, many of which revolutionized and debunked theories on what the land was like before mass human immigration. He seemed to change his mission 9 years ago, during the height of his acclaim. Leaving civilization and any human companions behind for a solo trek, he returned home 5 months later and gave a simple speech stating that he was retiring from major explorations. Refusing to answer any questions about what happened on his expedition, he shut out almost all of his old friends and colleagues. In fact, he restarted his Trainer journey, with a new Fossil Pokemon oriented team. While resurrected fossil Pokemon are not a new thing, no labs took credit for it. After 4 years of battling, Hiram took over Leader status of the Rock Gym when the previous Leader retired due to failing health. A short man, Hiram always seems to have an inquisitive look on his face, bordered by medium length dark purple hair and beard, both of which have hints of grey strands strewn within.

Dragon Gym: "Melody", 17, Scales Badge ((Named after nothing in particular, what would have been my first real RP character was named Melody, and her clothing design is inspired by Melody of "Pokemon: The Movie 2000")). The Dragon Gym has always been under complete control of a group known as the Sacred, an ancient Ozzian clan surrounded in myth and legend. Nearly all members keep out of the public spotlight. This does not hold true for the one chosen to lead the Gym. The girl known simply as Melody was picked 3 years ago to be the Gym Leader, never even being registered as a Trainer before that day. She can be described as reclusive and aloof, and has yet to speak publicly as the face of the Sacred and a Gym Leader. The people who have faced her in challenges describe her as using the littlest of commands to control her mighty partners, even riding them during combat. She is the only member and resident of the Gym, and is only known to leave the confines of its walls for official Pokemon League business. She is a dark skinned girl with medium length burgundy colored hair. When actually seen, she sports more traditional Ozzian garments in shades of red and yellow, and sometimes a pair of goggles for when she pilots one of her team.

Ground Gym: Wren Dykando-Strauss, 28, Oasis Badge ((Steve Irwin's wife Terri Raines, and Les Stroud aka "Survivorman")).

Grass Gym: Moize Dykando-Strauss, 38, Petal Badge ((Biblical Moses and Augustin Pyramus de Candolle, a botanist that inspired Charles Darwin with theories on plant adaptations)). Moize, pronounced Moy-zz, is a full blooded native Ozzian

Normal Gym: Stuart Mclan, 71, Curtain Badge ((Patrick Stewart and Ian McKellen, enough said))
Stuart is Ozziara's greatest actor. Originally just a stage hand for a small town theater, he was discovered 56 years ago when he mimicked every voice and movement of the actors practicing on stage flawlessly,

even when they messed up. Apprehensive at first, he was eventually bullied into acting, and dazzled a critic who was in the audience. Invited to attend the Pryormont Conservatory, he spent the next 3 years under their tutelage BLAH BLAH BLAH NOT DONE