Feedback Loops: How SREs Benefit and What is Needed to Realize Their Potential

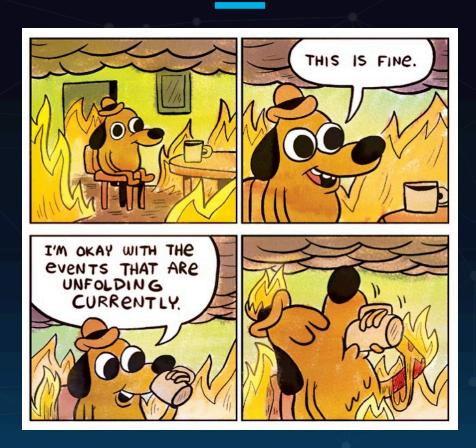


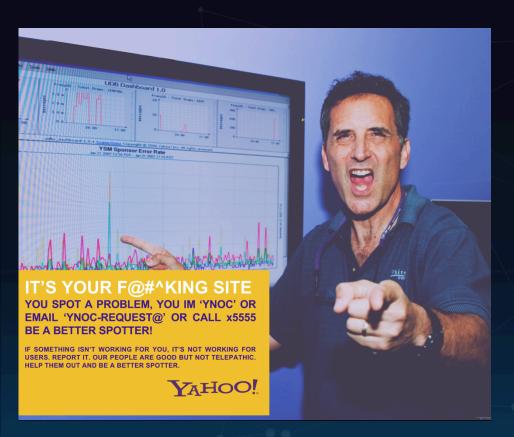


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The FIRE





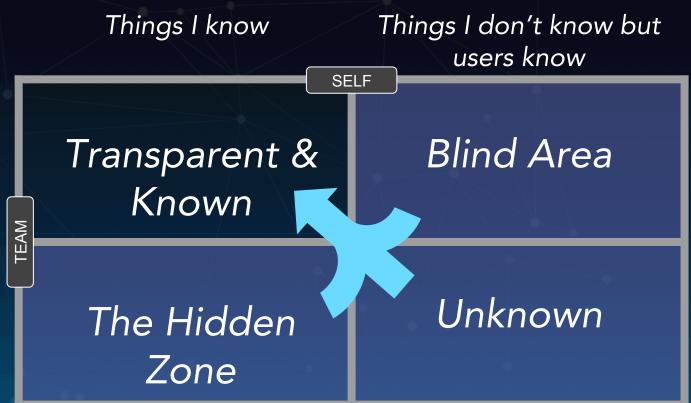
"If you are not part of the solution, then you are part of the problem"

David Henke

The BLINDSPOTS

Things that collectively we all know

Things that team members know but are not vocalized



The FEEDBACK Loop

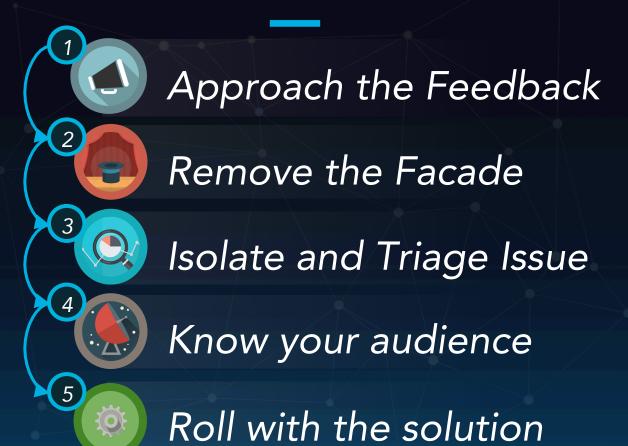
Iterative Feedback Loop for course correction



Fast Feedback Loops

Process / Project / Tool

The 5 STEP Plan



Feedback Loop: Step 1



Approach the Feedback

- Identify the underlying theme and how it is affecting everybody
- Collaboratively agree that there is a problem :)

Feedback Loop: Steps 2 & 3



Remove the Facade

- •Gather "the real" feedback
- Socialize amongst individuals through 1:1s, retrospectives, group feedback



Isolate & Triage Issue

- Compose thesis
- Vet feedback with wider SRE community through surveys
- Identify possible solutions
- Determine pros and cons

Feedback Loop: Steps 4 & 5



Know your audience

- Identify the right audience to present feedback
- Get buy-in from the teams
- Find a sponsor to validate approach & artifacts



Roll with the solution

- The simplest answer is often the correct one
- Put the proposal in action and iteratively course correct as needed

The LEARNINGS



Looking Back...

- People are more supportive & vocal than you think
- Never underestimate the power of change



Looking Forward...

- 1:1s & retrospectives
- Virtual working groups
- Roadshows & newsletters

It's very important to have a

FEEDBACK

loop, where you're constantly

THINKING

about what you've done and how you could be doing it

BETTER

ELON MUSK



Thanks!

MY GREATEST SOCIAL FEAR:



THE ACCIDENTAL CONVERSATION LOOP.

