

New in BLOX Now:

Live stream enhancements,
customizable weather, analytics
improvements, and more!

April 15, 2021



Today's agenda

Live Stream
Enhancements

Alert
Banner
Overhaul

Customize
your
Weather

Design
Changes

IDFA

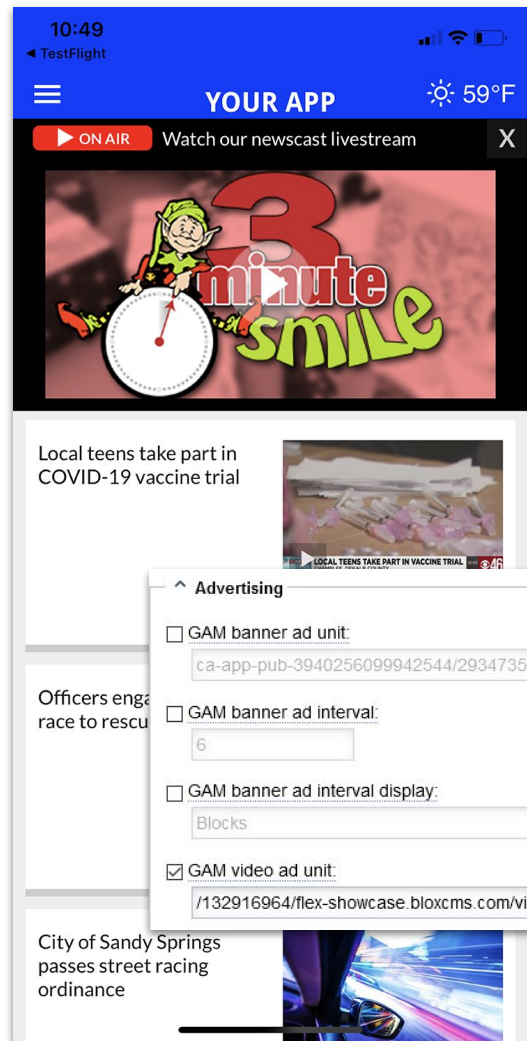
e-Edition
Access
Control

GA4
Analytics



Promote engagement with your live streams

- New player in topic feed
- Easy, optional setup
- Revenue opportunities:
 - Pre-roll
 - GAM Video Ad unit
 - Native Live Stream
 - Multi-media card



Simplified & improved banner

- Updated to "Live stream banner"
- Live when Live when a schedule URL provided
- No schedule, banner remains active

Live stream banner

☐ Schedule:


☒ URL:
https://www.myxlg.com/test_stream/

☒ Banner background color:
#080908

☐ Banner text color:
#fff

☐ Banner description:
Watch our livestream now.

☒ Video player:
Enabled

☒ Video player thumbnail:

Set image

☐ Play button color:
#990100

☐ Play button text color:
#fff

☒ Play button title:
ON AIR

☐ Inactive alert background color:
#000

☐ Inactive alert text color:
#286090

☒ Inactive alert title:
SOON

asset_feed

Now: Summary - Live Stream

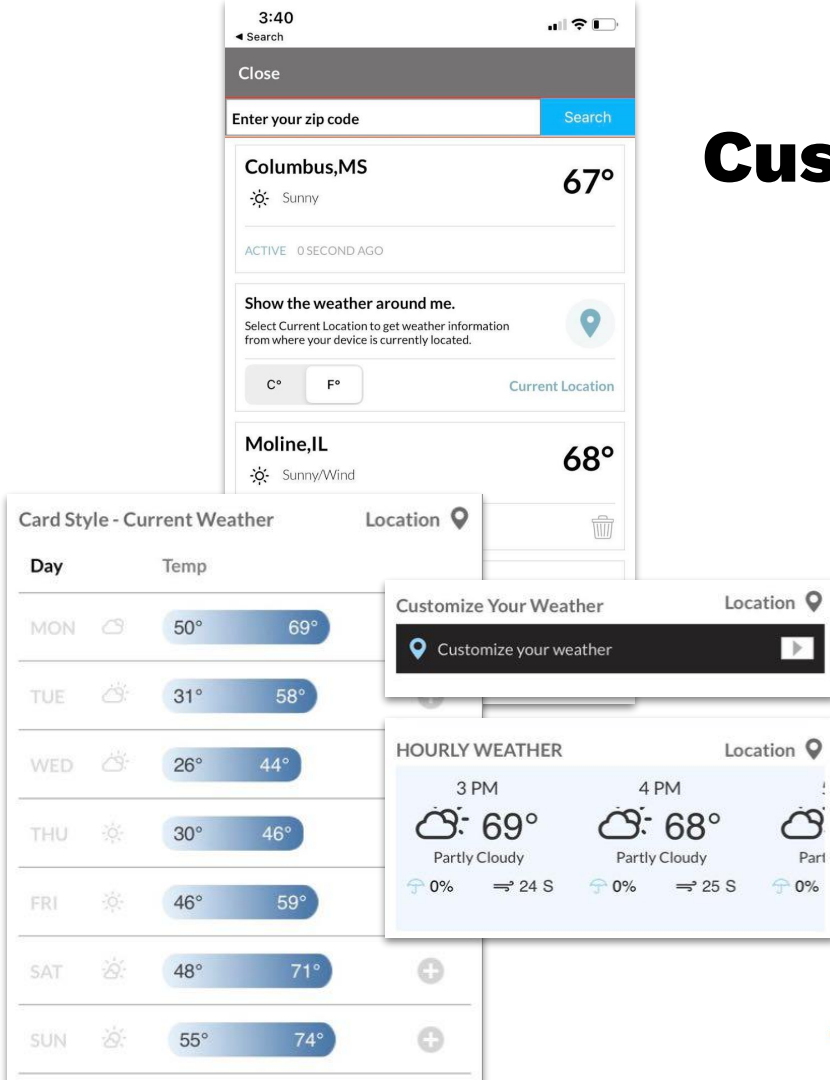
People TV

☒ Banner background color:
#080908

☐ Banner text color:
#fff

☐ Banner description:
Watch our livestream now.

Note: Make sure the Live Streaming messaging is set up to pull from the active messaging fields in page customizations.



Customize your Weather

- Change the zip code
- Option in settings panel
- New “Location” button
- Native weather cards
 - Hourly
 - 7-Day Forecast
 - Current Weather
 - Customize your Weather
 - Severe Weather

Note: Weather Settings display and Weather icon display must be enabled to utilize this functionality.

NWITIMES.COM
Billy Biehl to be
Trojan powerhouse



Changes for Saving & Sharing

- Improved design to expose options
- Now: Bottom right-hand side of the cards
- Before: Users would swipe to expose features
- Encourages users to share and save their favorites



SPORTS
Golfer Tiger Woods delivers apology speech



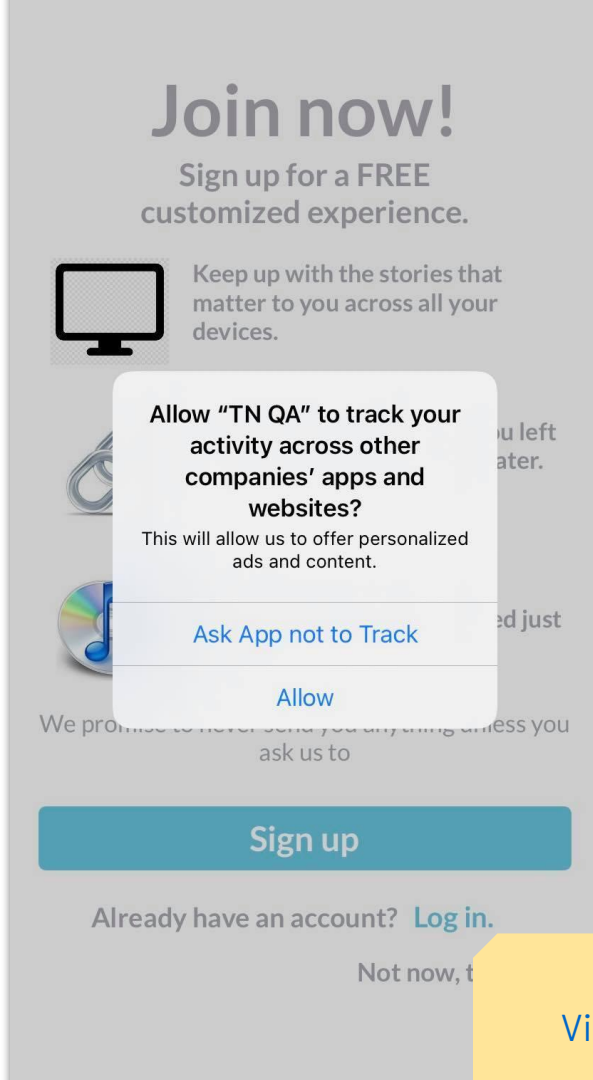
NEWS
Article Asset: Personality Presentation | Now App
Test



User engagement is key to the success of our products.

We're ready for IDFA

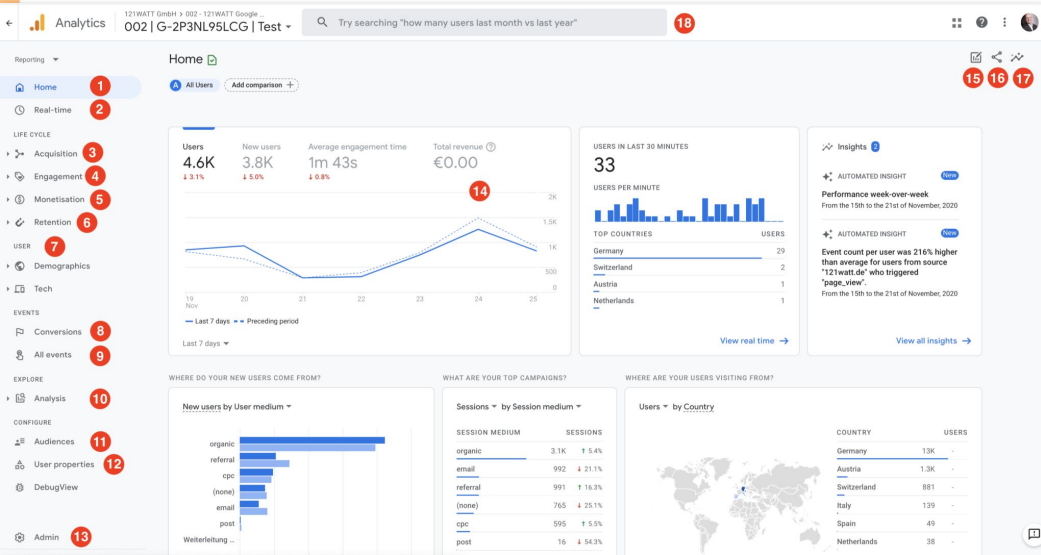
- Identifier for Advertisers (IDFA)
- Random device identifier
- Assigned by Apple to a user's device



- New app greeting and prompt
- Used by Advertisers for tracking
- Declined ads will be served by SKAAAdNetwork

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Analytics improvements



- Changed to GA4 last October
- Driven by Firebase
- First set of improvements
- Purposeful data to monitor app usage and behavior

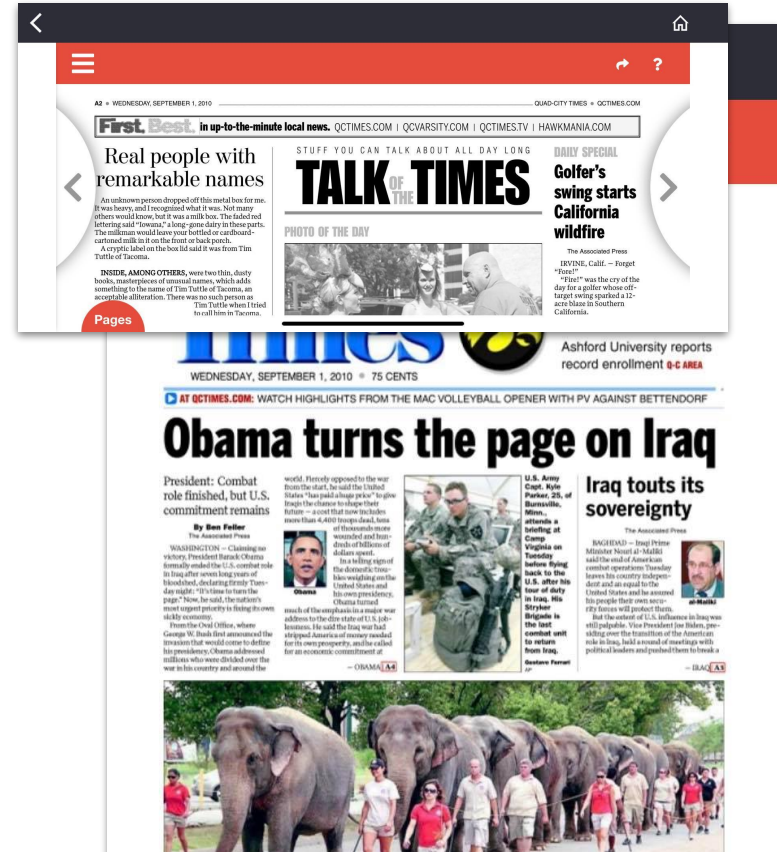
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e-Edition & Access Control updates

e-Edition will open in a webkit

- Bypass the subscription page
- Paywall enabled: users will be presented with a login screen
- User account allows the e-Edition, paywall lifted
- Paywall not enabled: e-Edition offered free

Access Control awareness has been added to the paywall workflow in the app for smart metering

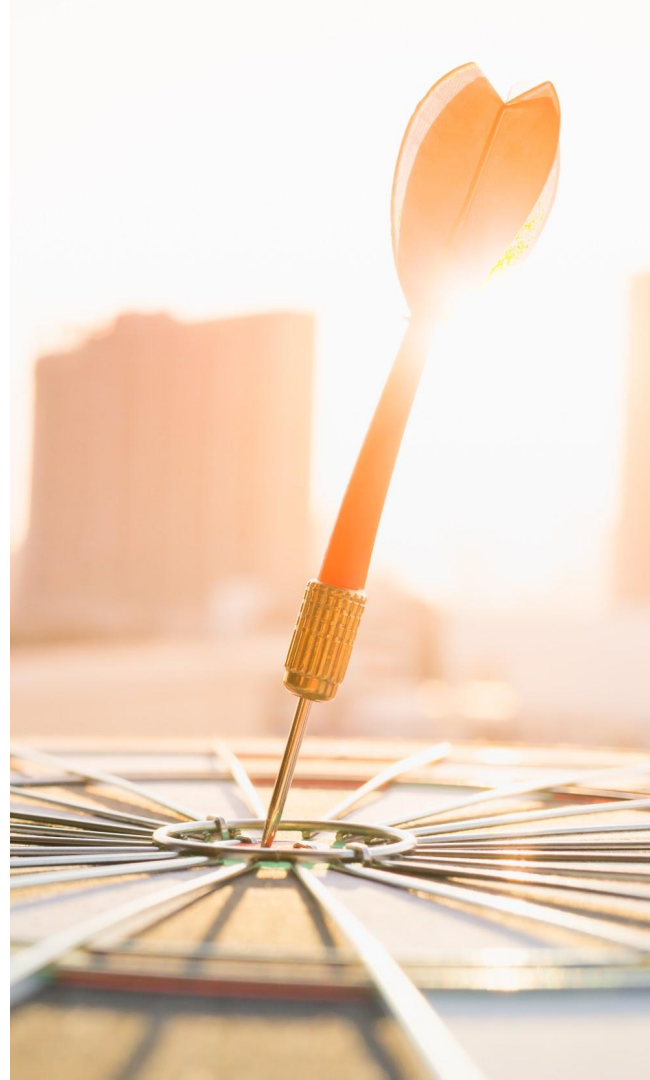


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Documentation

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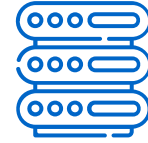
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