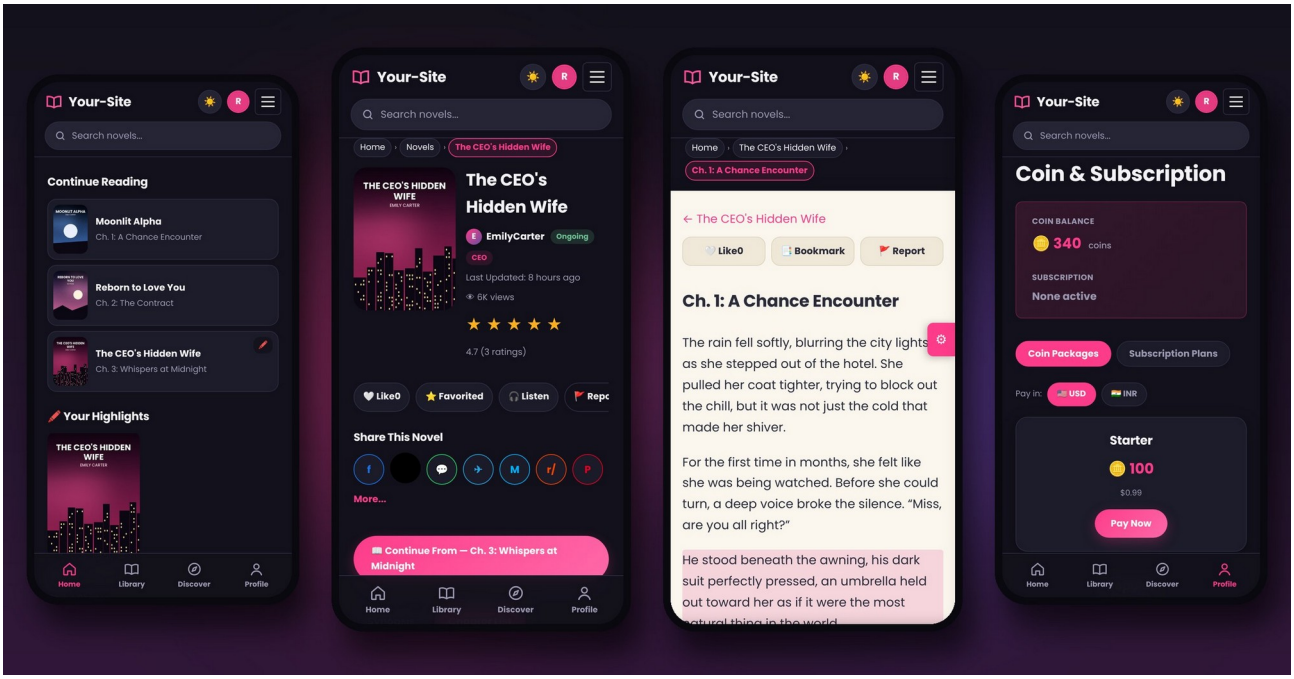
Your-Site

Complete Guide

Features • Installation • Reader, Author & Admin Manuals • Troubleshooting



More Stories. More Emotions.

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1. Welcome to Your-Site

What it is, who uses it, and how this guide is organised.

Your-Site is a complete website for publishing, reading and selling web novels. You install it on your own domain, add your novels, and readers can read for free, unlock premium chapters with coins, or subscribe — all from their phone or computer.

This guide covers everything in one place. Use the part that matches what you want to do:

Part	Who it is for	What it covers
2. Feature List	Everyone	Everything the website can do, at a glance.
3. Installation Guide	The site owner (buyer)	Putting the website online, step by step, and the first settings to change.
4. Reader Manual	Readers / members	Signing up, finding and reading novels, coins, subscriptions, account and community.
5. Author Manual	Writers	Adding novels and chapters, scheduling, pricing and analytics.
6. Admin Manual	The site owner	Every page of the admin panel, explained.
7. Troubleshooting & FAQ	Everyone	Fixes for common problems.

1.1 The three types of account

Account	What they can do	Where they go
Reader	Read novels, comment, bookmark, buy coins, subscribe, use the community.	Your website, e.g. `your-site.com`
Author	Everything a reader can, plus write their own novels and chapters (new novels need admin approval).	`your-site.com/author`
Admin	Full control of the website: content, users, payments, settings.	`your-site.com/admin`

Every new sign-up is a **Reader**. Only an admin can make someone an **Author** or **Admin** (see 6.4 Users).

2. Feature List

Everything Your-Site includes.

Reading

- **Clean chapter reader** built for long reading on phone and desktop.
- **6 reading themes** — Light, Dark, Gray, Sepia, Night (true black) and Forest.
- **Day / Night mode** for the whole site, remembered on each device.
- **Text size, font and line height** controls for every reader.
- **Listen aloud** — a built-in text-to-speech player with natural voices in many languages.
- **Bookmarks, highlights, favourites, reading history and Continue Reading.**

Discovery

- **Genres, tags, instant search and advanced search.**
- **Homepage sections** — Recommended, This Week's Top 10, New Arrivals, Most Viewed, Popular, Completed, Latest Chapters, genre rows.
- **Leaderboard** of top readers and commenters, **ratings & reviews**, **author profile pages**.

Earning money

- **Coins** — readers buy coin packages and unlock premium chapters.
- **Subscriptions** — monthly / yearly plans that open every premium chapter.
- **Stripe, PayPal and Razorpay** payments; **USD and INR** built in plus any of 140+ currencies you add.
- **Referral bonuses** and **reading-streak bonuses** in coins.
- **Ad placements** on the chapter page (shown only to logged-out visitors on free chapters).

AI (optional)

- **AI Story Studio** — readers turn an idea into their own novel and export it as PDF.
- **Continue With AI, Ask AI and Characters** buttons for readers on chosen novels.
- **AI chapter generator, story memory, grammar check and rewrite** for admins and authors.
- **AI tokens** you can sell. Works with **Google Gemini or OpenAI** using your own API key.

Community

- **Let's Gossip** forum with channels, topics, replies, live online count and typing indicator.
- **Comments** on novels and chapters with moderation, spam filter and reader reports.

Accounts & security

- Email sign-up with **verification code**, **Face ID / fingerprint / passkey** login, "stay logged in".
- Admin **two-factor authentication**, **login lockout** and optional **Google reCAPTCHA**.

Protection

- **Reader watermark** and **hidden reader mark** to trace leaked chapters.
- **Reading speed limit** and **scraper report** to stop bots copying your library.
- **Search & bot protection** and copy-shortcut blocking on the reading page.

Running the site

- **Full admin panel** — novels, authors, users, payments, comments, media gallery, menus, pages, branding.
- **Bulk chapter import / export**, **backups & restore**, **maintenance mode**, **site health log**.

- **Installable app (PWA)**, **SEO** (clean URLs, sitemap, share previews, structured data), **weekly email digest**.
- **10 ready-made legal pages** and a **one-domain licence**.

> **NOTE** A longer, customer-facing version of this list with a short explanation for every feature is provided separately as "Your-Site Feature Guide".

3. Installation Guide

For the buyer: put Your-Site online in about 20 minutes.

Follow these steps in order. The examples use **Hostinger hPanel**; cPanel and most other hosts work the same way and the buttons have similar names.

3.1 What you need

Item	Requirement
Hosting	Shared, cloud or VPS hosting running **Apache or LiteSpeed** with `.htaccess` support (almost all cPanel / hPanel hosts). Nginx-only servers need the rules in `.htaccess` converted by your host.
PHP	**PHP 8.0 or newer** (8.1 – 8.3 recommended).
PHP extensions	`pdo_mysql`, `curl`, `sodium`, `gd`, `mbstring`, `zip`, `openssl`, `json` — normally all switched on already.
Database	**MySQL 5.7+** or **MariaDB 10.3+**.
Domain	A domain or sub-domain. The site must be installed at the **root** of it (e.g. `your-site.com` or `read.your-site.com`), not in a sub-folder.
SSL	An HTTPS certificate (free on most hosts). Needed for payments, passkeys and the app install.
Internet access	The server must be allowed to make outgoing HTTPS connections (licence check, payments, email, AI).
Licence key	The key you received after purchase, e.g. `BXN-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX`.

> **IMPORTANT** Your licence key locks to the **first domain** you activate it on and cannot be moved without contacting the seller. Install on your real, final domain — not a test or temporary address.

3.2 Step 1 — Upload the files

1. Log in to your hosting panel and open **File Manager**.
2. Open the `public_html` folder (or the folder of your sub-domain). If it contains a default `index.html` or `default.php`, delete it.
3. Click **Upload** and upload `your-site-for-sale.zip`.
4. Right-click the zip and choose **Extract**. Extract it into `public_html` itself.
5. Check that files like `index.php`, `database_schema.sql` and the folders `admin`, `includes`, `uploads` are directly inside `public_html` — not inside an extra folder. If they are inside a sub-folder, move them up one level.
6. Turn on **Show hidden files** and check that the file `.htaccess` is there. Without it, only the homepage works.

3.3 Step 2 — Create a database

1. In hPanel go to **Databases → MySQL Databases** (cPanel: **MySQL Database Wizard**).
2. Create a new database, a database user and a strong password.
3. Give the user **all privileges** on the database (hPanel does this automatically).
4. Write down the **database name**, **user name** and **password** — you need them in Step 4.

3.4 Step 3 — Import the database

1. Next to your new database click **Enter phpMyAdmin** (cPanel: **phpMyAdmin**, then select the database on the left).
2. Click the **Import** tab.
3. Choose the file `database_schema.sql` from the website files (download it from File Manager first if needed).
4. Click **Go** at the bottom. You should see "Import has been successfully finished" and 86 tables on the left.

> **NOTE** Import **only** `database_schema.sql`. The other `database_*.sql` files are kept for reference and for upgrading older installs — a new install does not need them.

3.5 Step 4 — Connect the website to the database

1. In File Manager open the folder `config` and edit the file `db.php`.
2. Replace the three placeholder values with your details from Step 2. Leave `DB_HOST` as `localhost` unless your host says otherwise.
3. Save the file.

```
define('DB_HOST', 'localhost');
define('DB_NAME', 'your_database_name');      // <- your database name
define('DB_USER', 'your_database_user');      // <- your database user
define('DB_PASS', 'your_database_password');  // <- your database password
```

Make sure the `uploads` folder can be written to (permission **755**; some hosts need **775**). Covers, avatars, gallery images and backups are saved there.

3.6 Step 5 — Activate your licence

Open your domain in a browser, e.g. `https://your-site.com`. Because the site is not activated yet, you will see the activation screen.

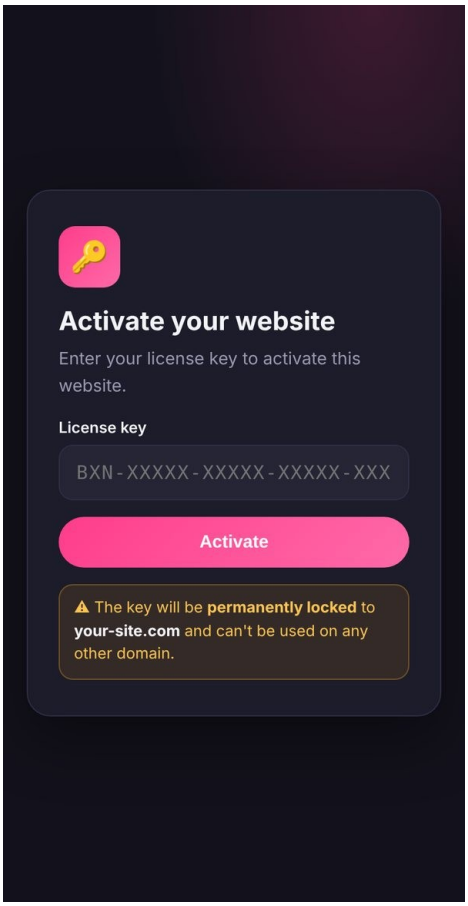


Figure 1. *The activation screen shown on a new install.*

1. Type or paste your licence key.
2. Check the domain shown in the yellow box is your real domain.
3. Click **Activate**. The homepage opens — your site is live.

> **TIP** `www.your-site.com` and `your-site.com` count as the same domain. A different sub-domain (for example `m.your-site.com`) counts as a different domain.

The site re-checks the licence with the licence server about once a day in the background. Visitors never wait for it. If the server cannot be reached the site keeps working for up to 14 days. You can see the status at any time under **Admin → System → License**.

3.7 Step 6 — First login and admin password

1. Open `your-site.com/login`. The first time this page opens, the website creates your admin account automatically.
2. Log in with username **admin** and password **admin@123**.
3. A notice at the top of the admin panel offers to change the password — **change it straight away**.
4. Open **My Account → Profile** and change the admin email from `admin@example.com` to your real email, so "Forgot password" works for you.
5. From now on, open the admin panel at `your-site.com/admin`.

> **IMPORTANT** `admin@123` is a published default password. Anyone who knows it could log in until you change it. Change it before you tell anyone about the site.

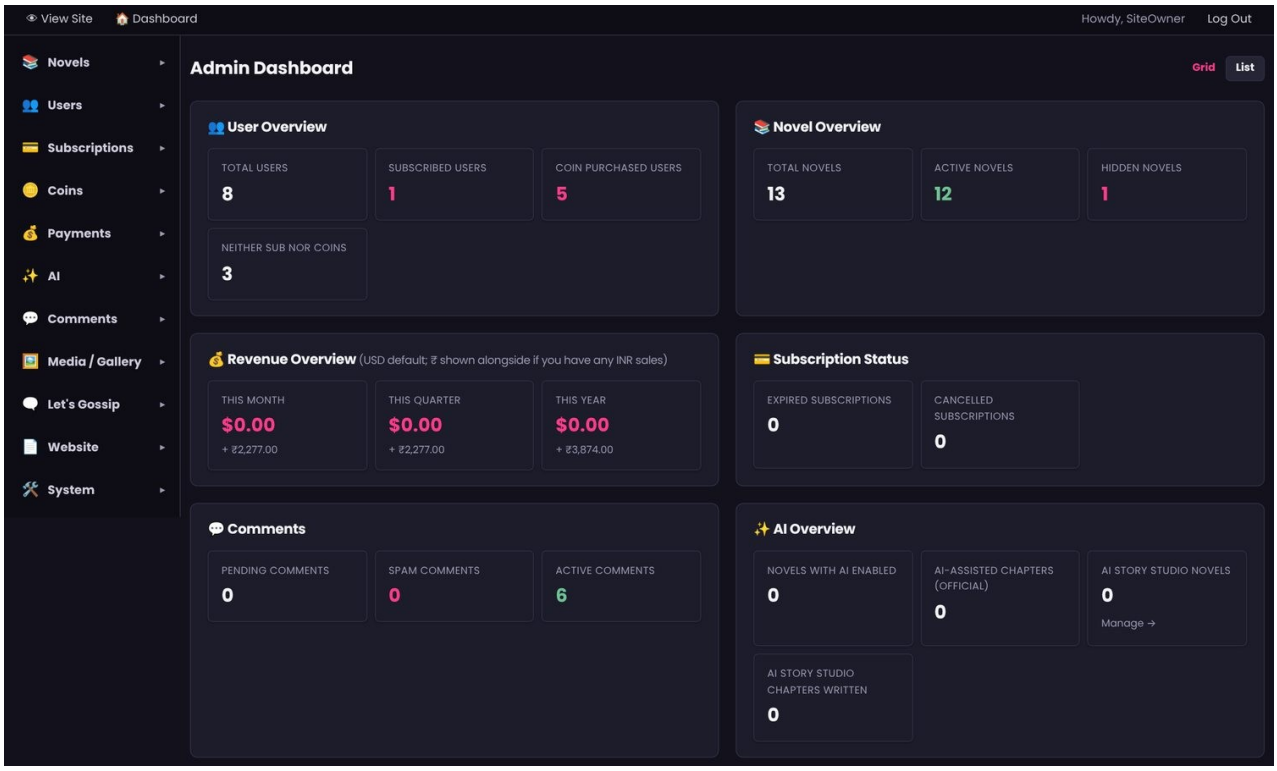


Figure 2. *The admin dashboard you see after logging in.*

3.8 Step 7 — First-time setup checklist

Work through this list once. Each item points to the page in the admin panel (left menu → group → page).

#	Task	Where
1	Site title, logo, favicon, app icon and your timezone.	Website → Branding
2	Email sending (SMTP) so sign-up codes and password resets arrive. Click **Send Test Email**.	Website → Notifications
3	Click **Add Default Pages**, replace the placeholder text with your own details — including the example email `admin@your-site.com` — then **Publish**.	Website → Pages
4	Add footer / header links to your pages.	Website → Menus
5	Change the login page message (default text: "Exclusive to premium members").	Users → Login & Sign-up Access
6	Turn on payment gateways and paste your API keys and webhook secrets (see 3.9).	Payments → Payment Settings
7	Create coin packages and subscription plans; add any extra currencies.	Coins / Subscriptions / Payments → Currencies
8	Set up the two scheduled tasks (cron jobs) (see 3.10).	Website → Weekly Digest; Subscriptions → Subscription Processing
9	Create your genres and tags, then add your first novel.	Novels → Categories / Tags / Add New Novel
10	Optional: switch on Let's Gossip, AI features, reader watermark, reCAPTCHA, ads.	See Part 6

3.9 Payment gateway set-up

You can use one, two or all three gateways. Start in **Test** mode, make a test purchase, then switch to **Live**. For each gateway, create a webhook in the gateway's own dashboard pointing to your site, then paste its secret back into **Payments → Payment Settings**.

Gateway	Webhook URL	Events to select	Paste into Payment Settings
Stripe	`https://your-site.com/webhooks/stripe.php`	checkout.session.completed, checkout.session.async_payment_failed, invoice.paid, invoice.payment_failed, customer.subscription.deleted	Publishable key, Secret key, Webhook signing secret (whsec_...)
PayPal	`https://your-site.com/webhooks/paypal.php`	Checkout order approved, Payment capture completed / denied, Checkout order voided, and the Billing subscription events if you use PayPal subscriptions	Client ID, Client Secret, Webhook ID
Razorpay	`https://your-site.com/webhooks/razorpay.php`	payment.captured, payment.failed	Key ID, Key Secret, Webhook Secret

> **TIP** The exact event list is also printed under each gateway on the Payment Settings page, so you can copy it from there.

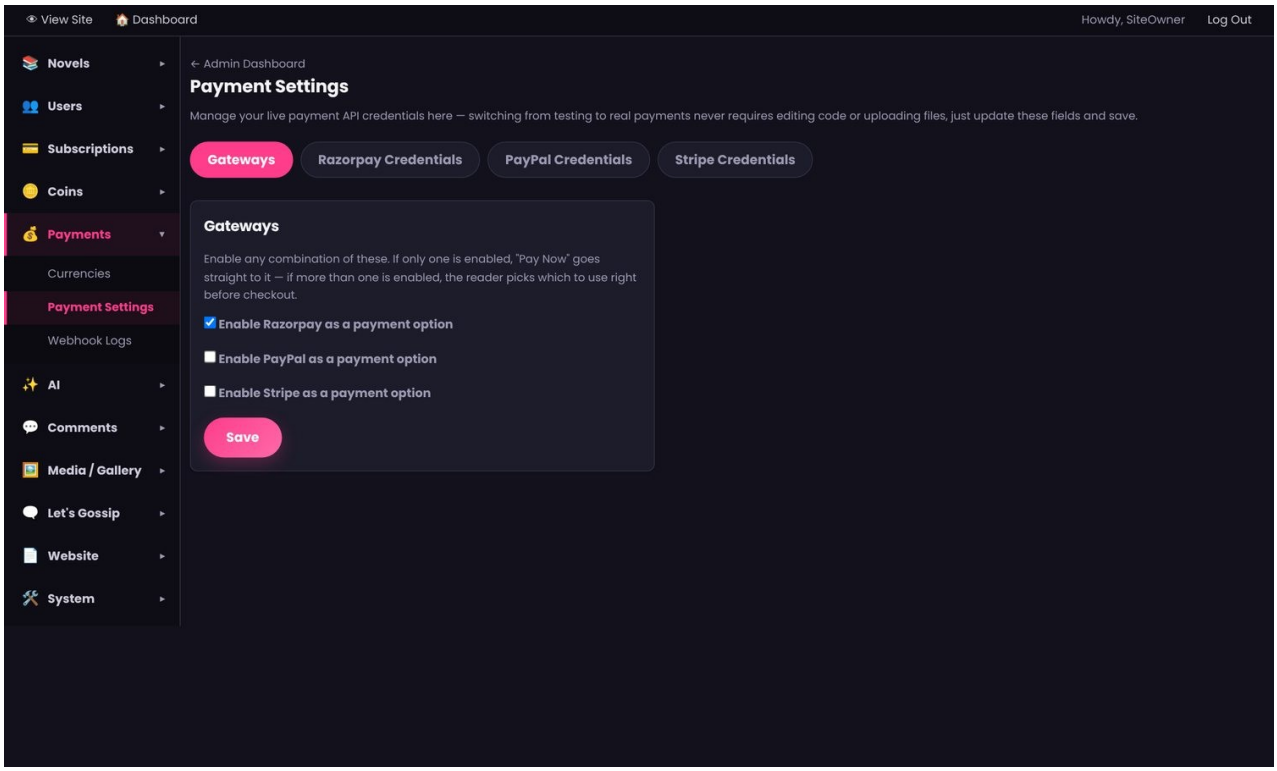


Figure 3. *Payments → Payment Settings: enable gateways and enter your keys.*

3.10 Scheduled tasks (cron jobs)

Two features need your host to "call" a private address on a schedule. The admin page shows the exact address to copy (it contains a secret code — keep it private).

Task	How often	Copy the address from
Weekly email digest	Once a week (e.g. Monday 9:00)	Website → Weekly Digest → "Your Cron URL"
Subscription reminders & expiry	Once a day	Subscriptions → Subscription Processing → "Your Cron URL"
AI background jobs (only if you use AI)	Every 10 minutes (optional)	AI → AI Settings → Background Jobs

1. In hPanel open **Advanced → Cron Jobs** (cPanel: **Cron Jobs**).
2. Create a new cron job, choose the **Call URL** type (or use `wget -q -O - "URL"` as the command).
3. Paste the address, choose the schedule from the table, and save.
4. Back on the admin page, click **Run Now** / **Send Test Now** to check it works.

> **NOTE** AI background jobs also run automatically while people are using your site, so the AI cron job is only a back-up.

3.11 Moving, re-installing and updating

- **Moving to a new host, same domain:** copy all files and export / import the database. The licence keeps working.
- **Re-installing on the same domain:** activate again with the same key — it is accepted for the same domain.
- **Moving to a new domain:** ask the seller to **release** your key, then open the site on the new domain and enter the key again.
- **Before any update:** make a backup under **System → Backup & Restore**, and download a copy of your files.

4. Reader Manual

How readers use the website. You can share this part with your readers.

4.1 Getting around

The site works on any phone, tablet or computer. On phones there is a **tab bar at the bottom**:

Tab	Opens
Home	The homepage with Continue Reading, recommendations, Top 10 and genres.
Library	Your bookmarks in My Account.
Discover	All genres (categories).
Profile	My Account (or Login if you are not logged in).

At the top you have the **search box**, the **day / night** button (☀ / 🌙), your **profile picture** and the **menu** button (☰), which opens Browse, Categories, Pricing, Leaderboard, Let's Gossip, My Account and Logout.

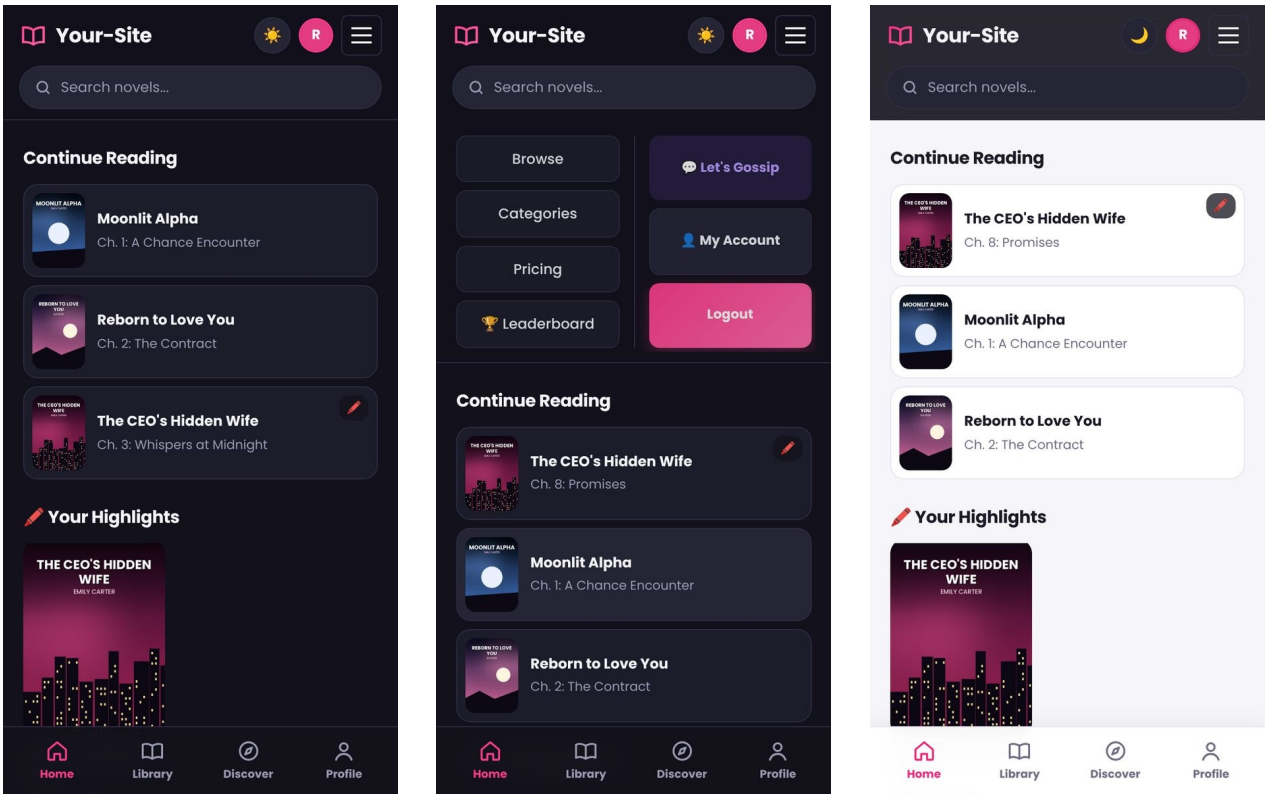


Figure 4. *Homepage, the menu, and the homepage in light mode.*

4.2 Creating an account and logging in

1. Tap **Profile** (or **Sign Up** in the menu).
2. Enter your email and tap **Send Verification Code**.
3. Type the code from your email, then choose a username and password.
4. To log in later, open **Login** and enter your email or username and password. Tick to stay logged in on your own device.

Forgot your password? Tap **Forgot password?** on the login page and follow the email.

> **TIP** In **My Account** you can set up **Face ID / fingerprint / passkey** for your device, so next time you log in with one touch and no password.

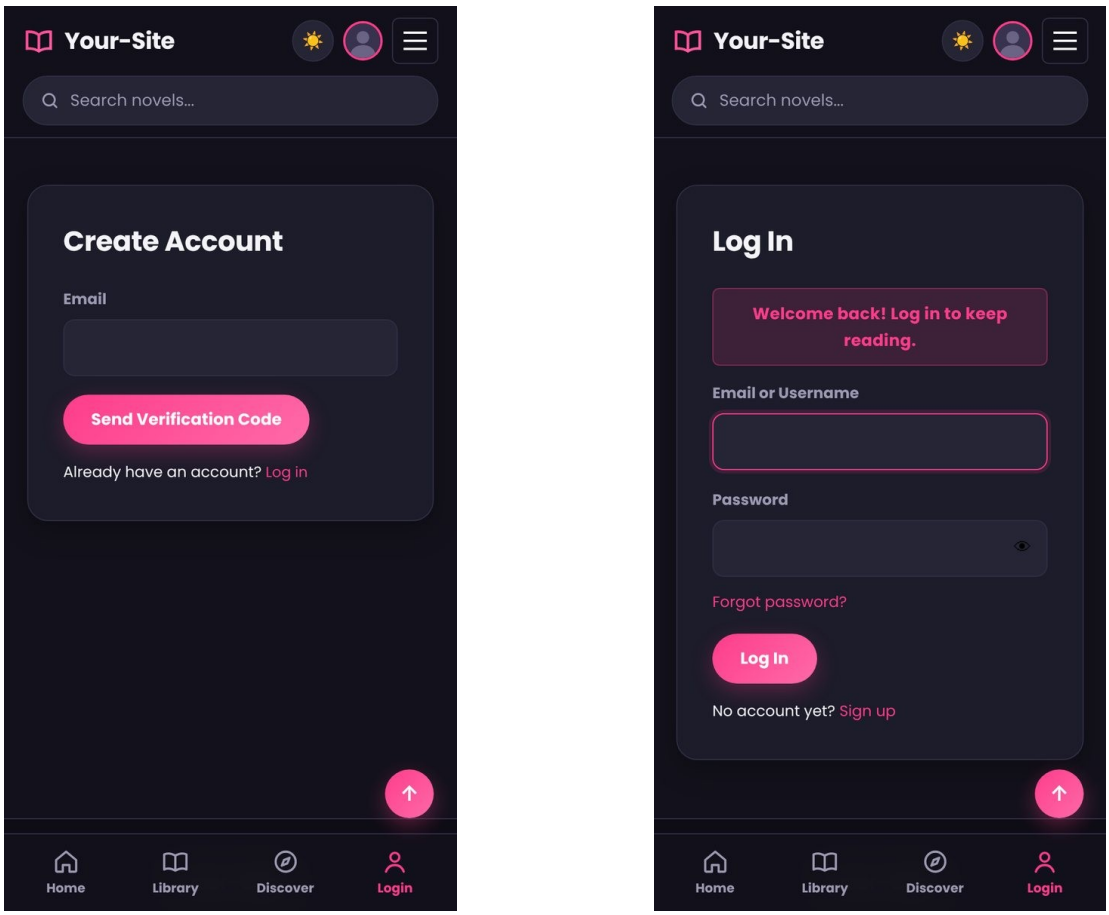


Figure 5. *Sign-up with an email code, and the login page.*

4.3 Finding novels

- **Search:** type in the search box at the top — matching novels appear while you type. Press Enter for all results.
- **Genres:** tap **Discover** or scroll to **Browse by Genre** on the homepage.
- **This Week's Top 10:** swipe through the most popular novels of the week.
- **Leaderboard:** see the top readers and commenters.
- **Recommended For You, New Arrivals, Most Viewed, Completed:** rows on the homepage.

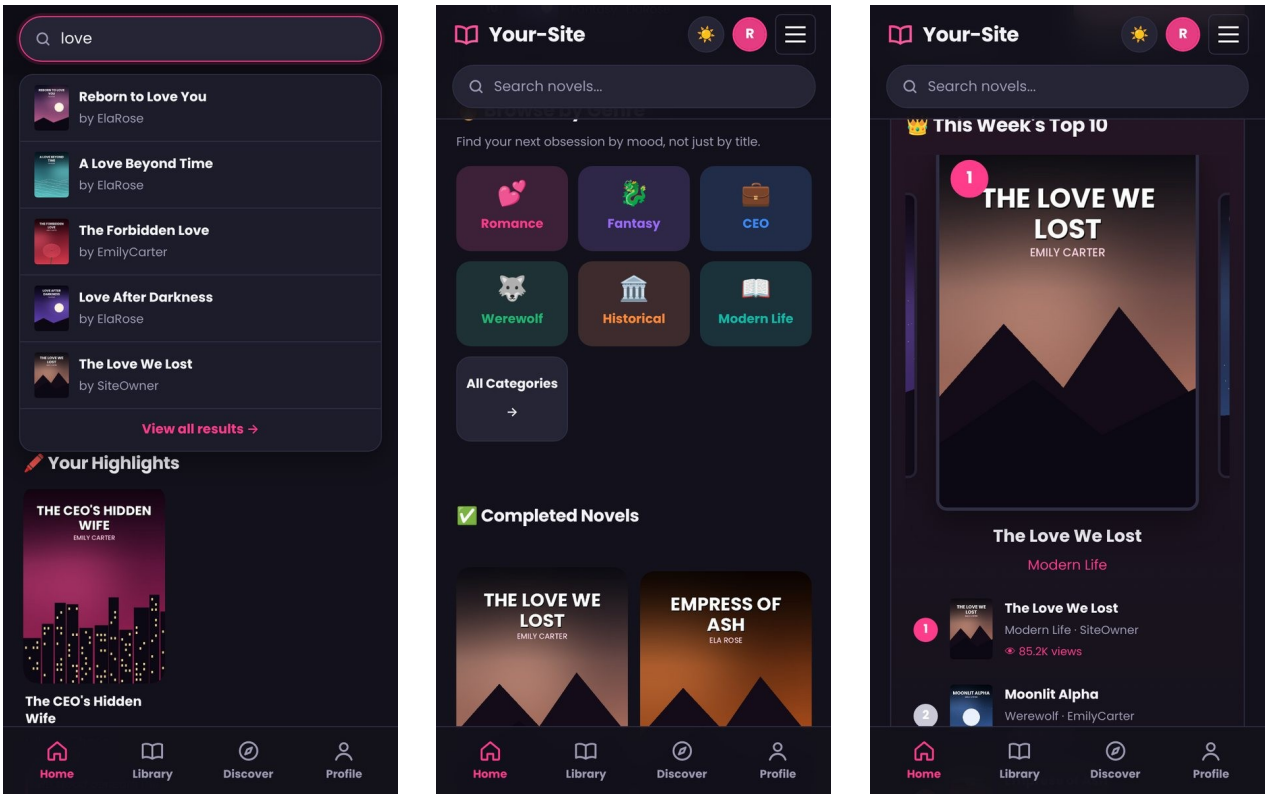


Figure 6. *Live search, genres and the weekly Top 10.*

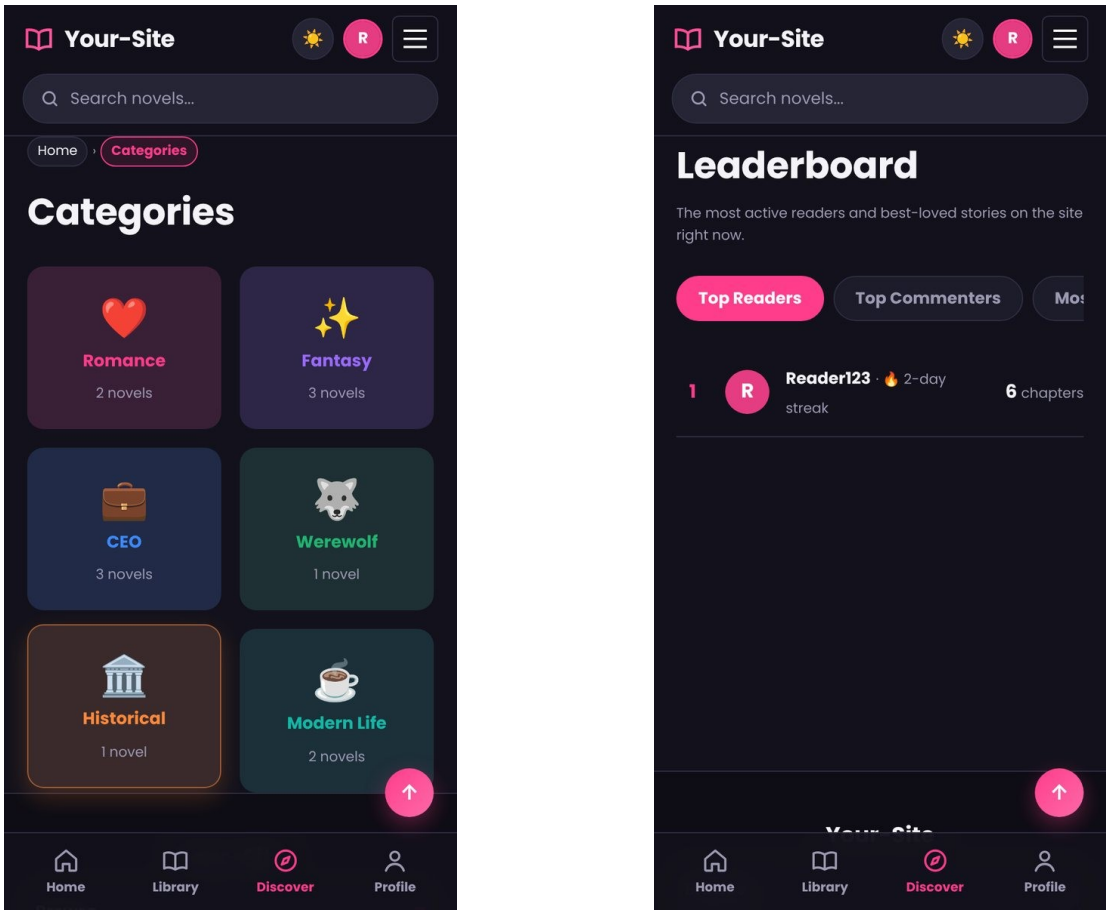


Figure 7. *All categories and the leaderboard.*

4.4 The novel page

Tap any cover to open the novel. You will find the cover, author, status (Ongoing / Completed), genre, views and star rating, plus:

- **Like** and **Add to Favorites** — favourites appear in My Account.
- **Listen** — play the novel aloud.
- **Report** — tell the admin about a problem.
- **Share** buttons for Facebook, X, WhatsApp, Telegram, Messenger, Reddit, Pinterest and more.
- **Start Reading / Continue From** — opens the first chapter, or the chapter where you stopped.
- Tabs for **Synopsis** and **Chapter List** (search by number, sort, and choose how many per page), and below: **Reviews**, **Comments** and **All Chapter Comments**.

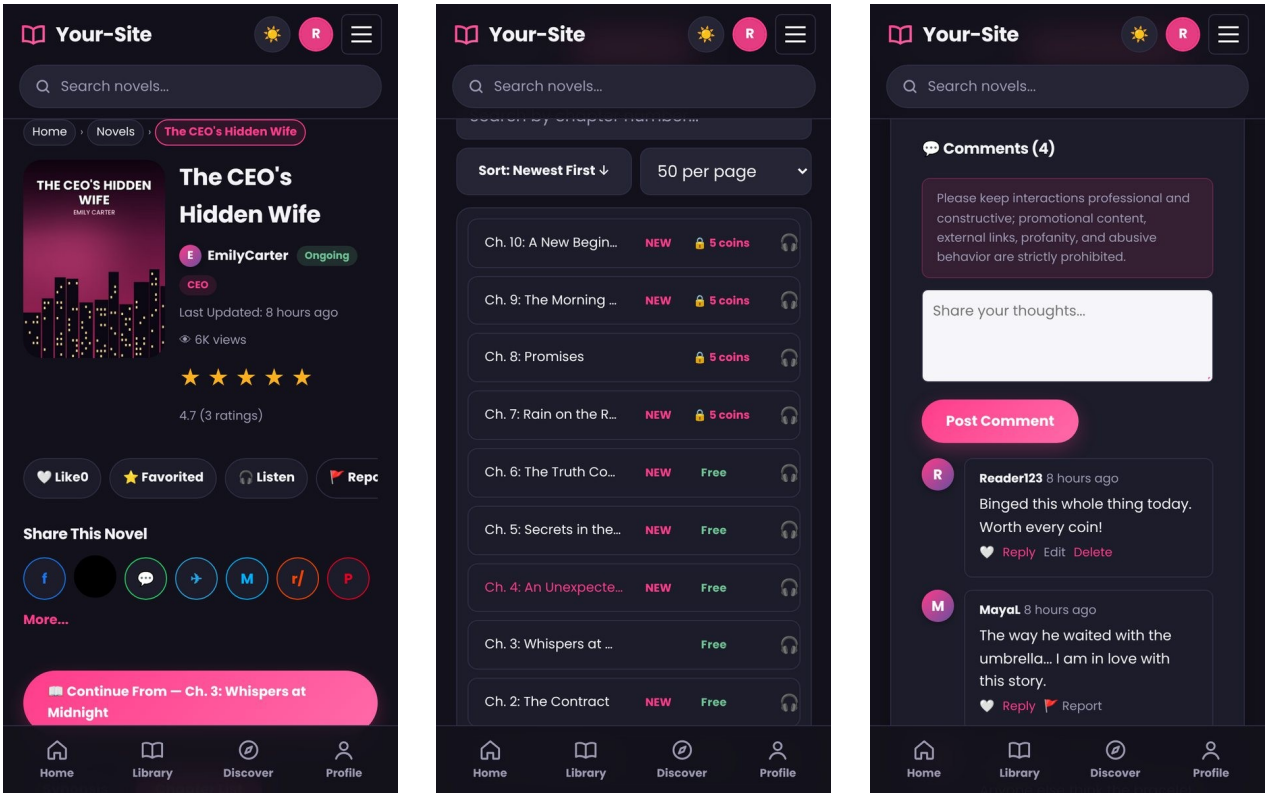


Figure 8. *Novel page, chapter list and the comments area.*

4.5 Reading a chapter

The reading page shows the chapter text with buttons around it:

Button	What it does
Like / Bookmark / Report	At the top. Bookmark saves this exact chapter to your Library.
⚙️ **Settings**	Pink button at the side: theme, font, text size and line height, and listen-aloud options.
Listen	Starts the audiobook player for this chapter.
Previous / Next	Move between chapters.
Chapter List	Jump to any chapter.

Highlight a line you love: select some text in a paragraph and choose **Highlight**. Your highlights are saved under **My Account → Highlights** and on the homepage.

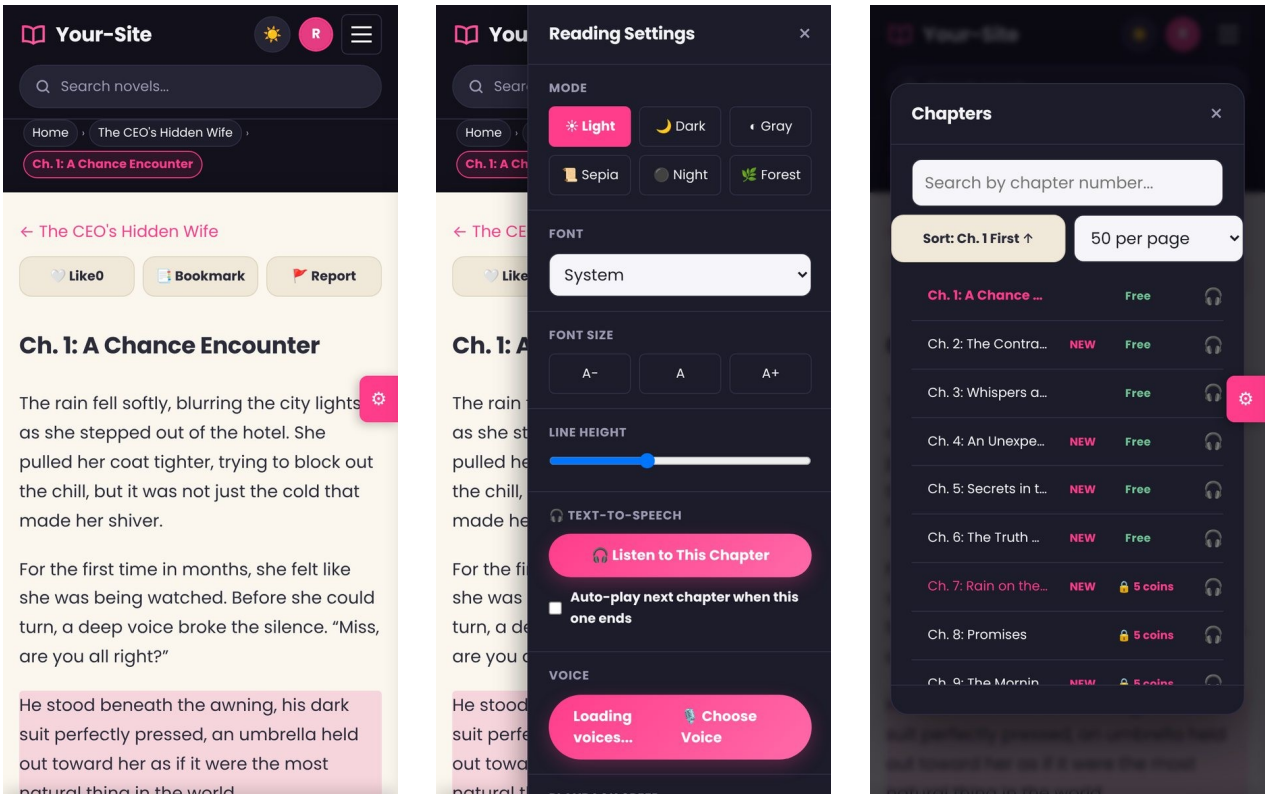


Figure 9. *Reading page, reading settings, and the chapter list.*

Reading themes and text

Open ⚙️ **Settings** to choose **Light, Dark, Gray, Sepia, Night or Forest**, pick a font, make text bigger or smaller (**A− / A / A+**) and change the line spacing. Your choice is remembered on that device.

Listen aloud

Tap **Listen** (or **Listen to This Chapter** in Settings). A player appears at the bottom with play / pause and speed. Under **Voice** you can choose a voice and language, and you can turn on **Auto-play next chapter**.

4.6 Premium chapters, coins and subscriptions

Some chapters are **premium** (shown with a 🔒 and a coin price). To read one:

- **Unlock with coins** — tap **Unlock for X coins**. The chapter stays unlocked for you forever.
- **Subscribe** — tap **View Subscription Plans**. While your plan is active, every premium chapter is open.

To buy coins, open **Pricing** or **My Account → Coin Balance → Manage Wallet**, choose a package, choose your currency, and tap **Pay Now**. You can pay by card (Stripe), PayPal or Razorpay (UPI, cards, net-banking) — whichever the site offers.

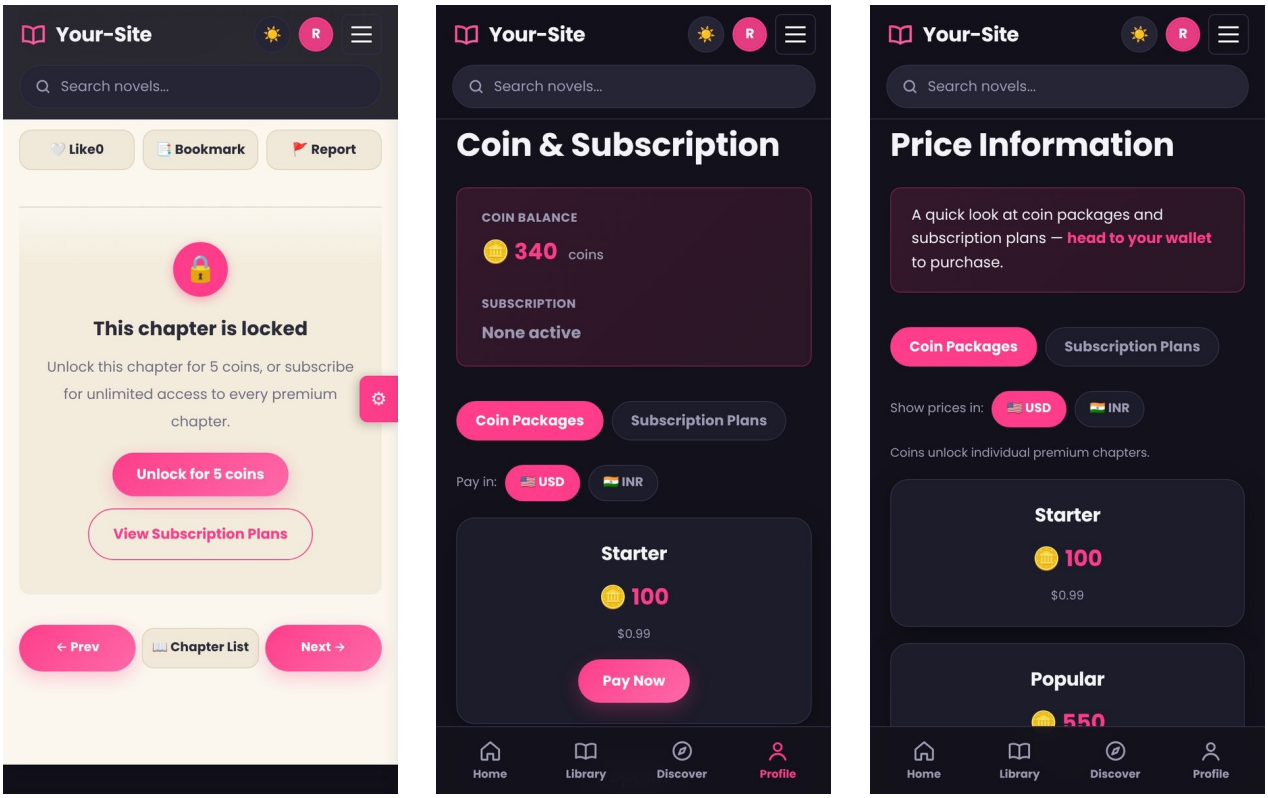


Figure 10. *A locked chapter, the wallet and the pricing page.*

> **TIP** Earn free coins: keep a **reading streak** (read every day) and **invite friends** with your link from My Account.

4.7 My Account

Tap **Profile** in the bottom bar. At the top you see **Continue Reading**, your **Reading Streak**, your **Weekly Reading Goal**, **Invite Friends**, your **Coin Balance** and your **Subscription**. Below are sections you can open and close:

Section	What is inside
Reading & Display Preferences	Site mode (light / dark), reading theme, font and text size for the whole site.
Profile	Username, email, password, profile picture, bio, and Face ID / fingerprint / passkey set-up.
Notifications	Alerts for new chapters and replies.
Bookmarks	Chapters you saved — this is your **Library**.
Favorite Novels	Novels you marked as favourite.
Reading History	Everything you have read.
Highlights	Lines you highlighted.
Achievements	Badges you have earned.
My AI Novels / My AI Generations	Stories made with AI (only if the site has AI switched on).

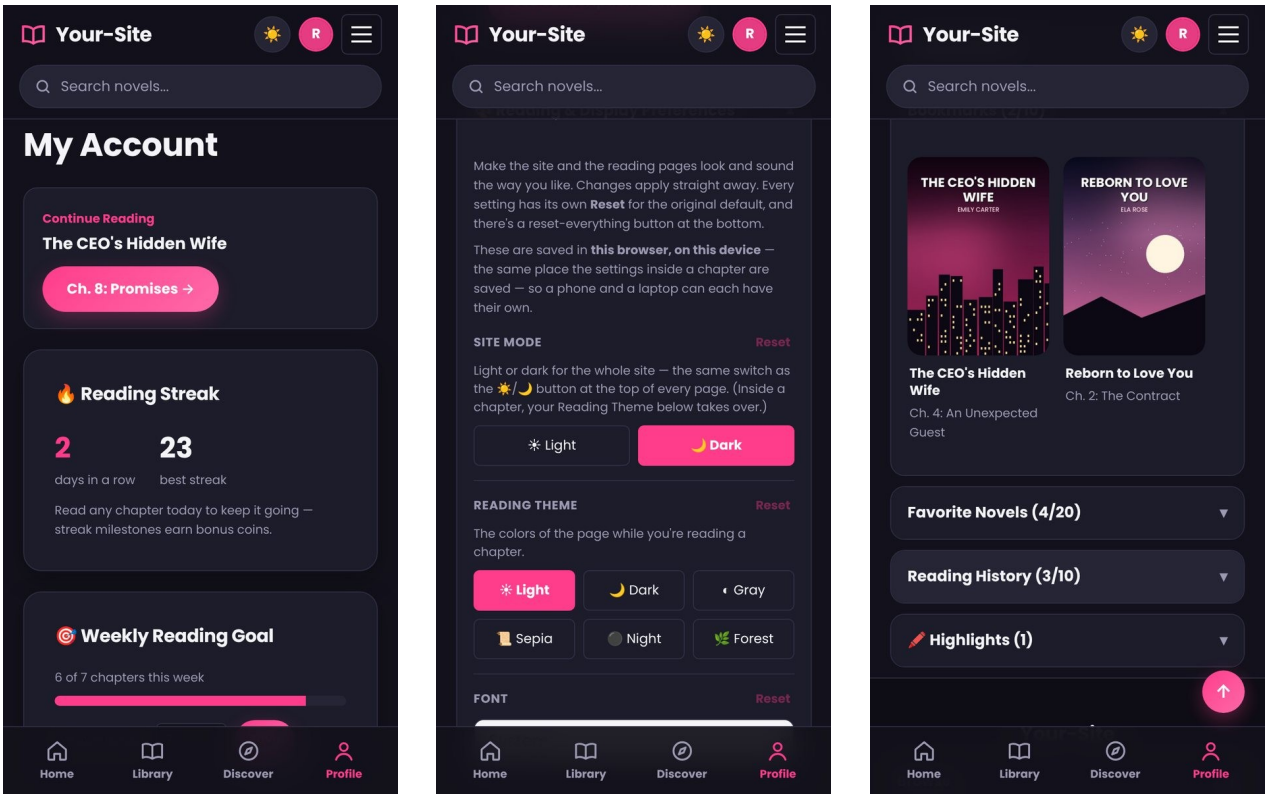


Figure 11. *My Account, reading preferences and bookmarks.*

4.8 Let's Gossip (community)

Open the menu and tap **Let's Gossip**. Choose a channel, open a topic and write a message, or start your own topic. You can reply to a message and see how many readers are online. Please follow the community rules shown at the top.

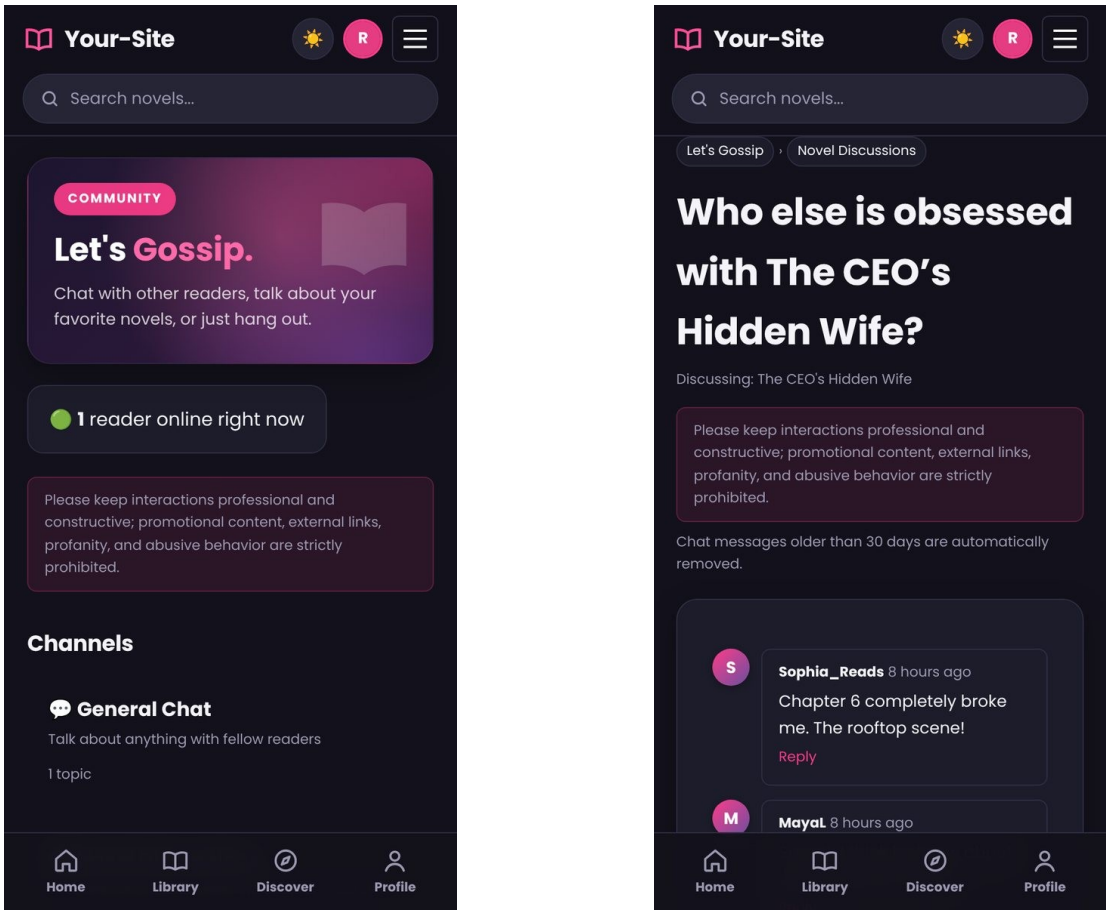


Figure 12. *Community channels and a discussion topic.*

4.9 Install the app on your phone

- **Android (Chrome):** open the menu (⋮) and tap **Install app** or **Add to Home screen**. If the site shows an **Install App** button in the footer, tap it.
- **iPhone (Safari):** tap **Share** and then **Add to Home Screen**.

The site then opens from your home screen like a normal app. You need an internet connection to read.

4.10 AI Story Studio (if available)

If the site owner has switched AI on, readers can create their own stories: open **AI Story Studio**, choose a genre, describe your idea and write chapters together with the AI. Finished novels can be downloaded as **PDF**. On some novels you will also see **Continue With AI**, **Ask AI** and **Characters** buttons. AI features use **AI tokens** — you get a free allowance and can buy more.

5. Author Manual

For writers who publish on the site.

5.1 Becoming an author and logging in

Authors are created by the admin: either by changing an existing reader's role to **Author** (Users → User List), or with **Create User**. Then:

1. Open `your-site.com/author` and log in.
2. You land on **My Novels** — your author dashboard. The left menu has **Novel List**, **Analytics** and **Add New Novel**.
3. Use **View Site** at the top left to see the public website.

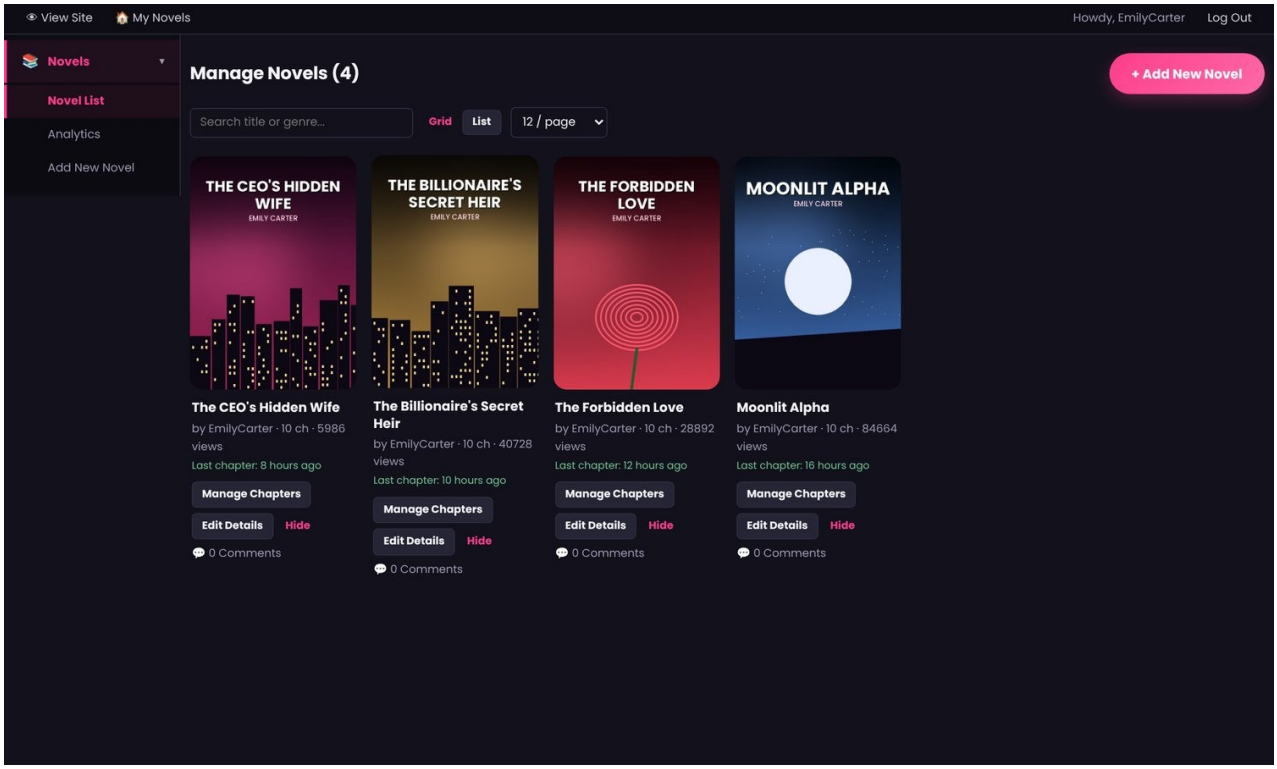


Figure 13. *The author dashboard (My Novels) in grid view.*

5.2 Add a new novel

1. Click **Add New Novel**.
2. Enter the **Title** and **Synopsis**.
3. Add a **Genre** (free text, used by search) and pick a **Category** (the genre page it appears on).
4. Choose the **Status**: Ongoing, Completed or On Hiatus.
5. Upload a **Cover Image** (JPG, PNG or WEBP, under 3 MB) or click **Choose from Gallery**.
6. Tick any **Tags**, then click **Create Novel & Add Chapters**.

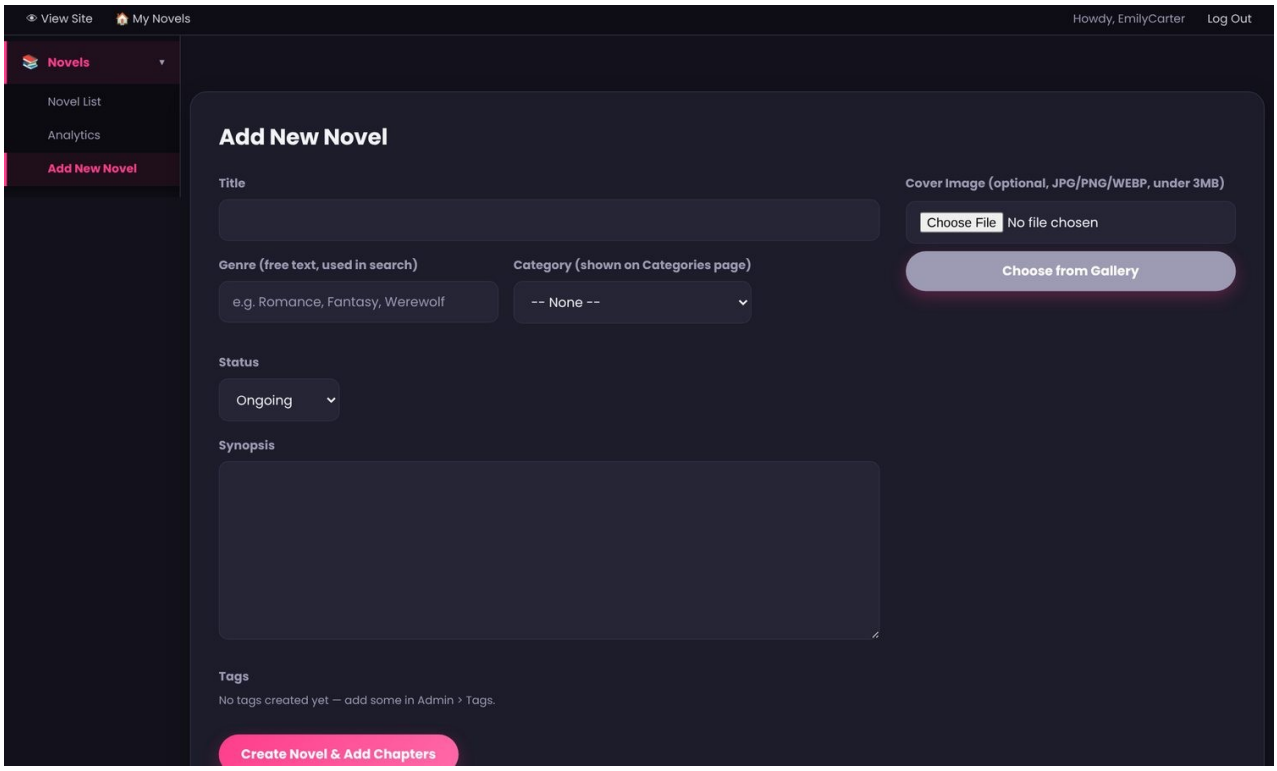


Figure 14. *Add New Novel.*

> **IMPORTANT** New novels from authors stay hidden until the admin approves them. If you edit an approved novel's details, it goes back to "pending" for a quick re-check. Adding chapters to an approved novel does **not** need approval.

5.3 Add chapters

1. From **My Novels** click **Manage Chapters** on a novel, then the **Add Chapter** tab.
2. The **Chapter Number** is filled in for you. Add a **Chapter Title** if you like.
3. Write or paste the text in **Content**. Use the toolbar for headings, bold, italic, lists, quotes, links and images.
4. **Schedule Publish** (optional): pick a future date and time to release the chapter automatically. Leave it blank to publish now.
5. **Premium chapter**: tick it and set the **Coin Price** to make readers pay to unlock it.
6. Click **Add Chapter**.

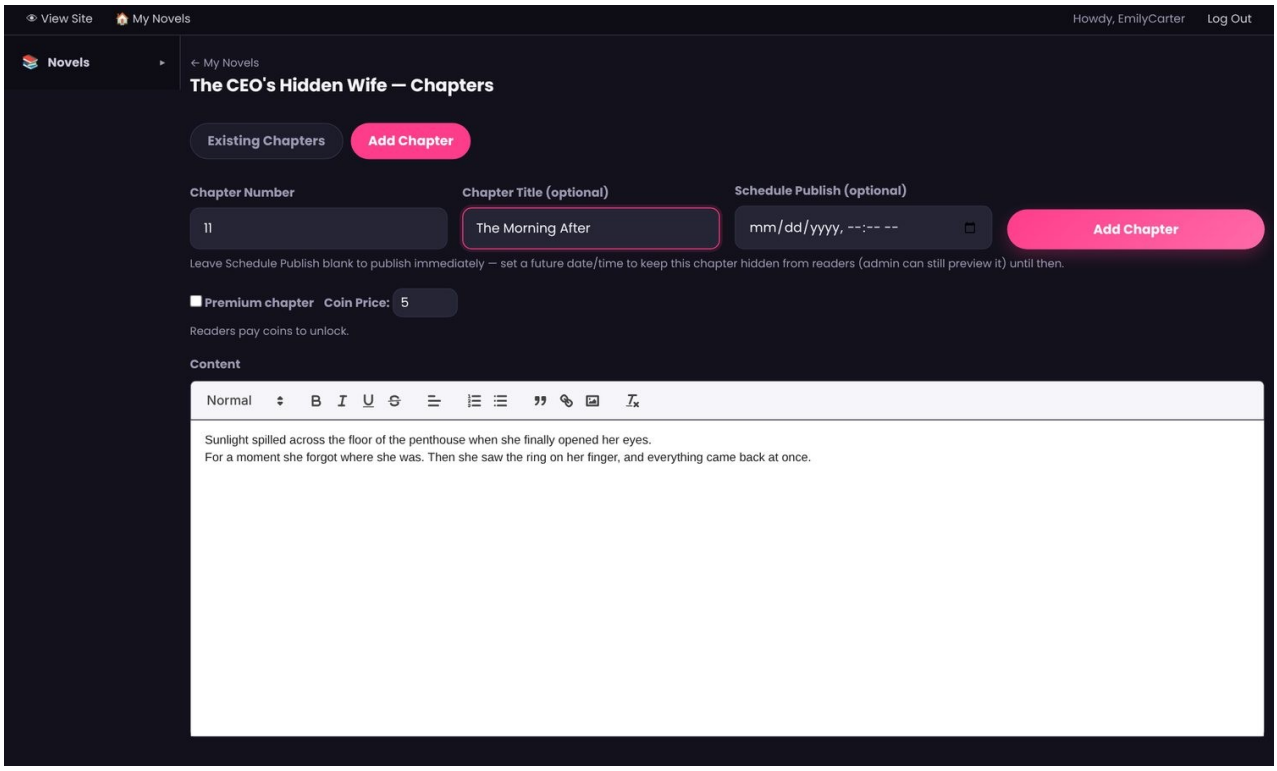


Figure 15. *Adding a chapter with the text editor.*

5.4 Manage existing chapters

The **Existing Chapters** tab lists every chapter with its price. You can search, sort, **Edit** or **Delete** one chapter, or tick several and use the bulk buttons:

- **Delete Selected** — remove many chapters at once.
- **Mark Selected as Free** — make them free to read.
- **Find & Replace Titles** — change text in many chapter titles at once.
- **Set Premium / Coin Price** — set the price for selected chapters, or for all chapters plus new ones.

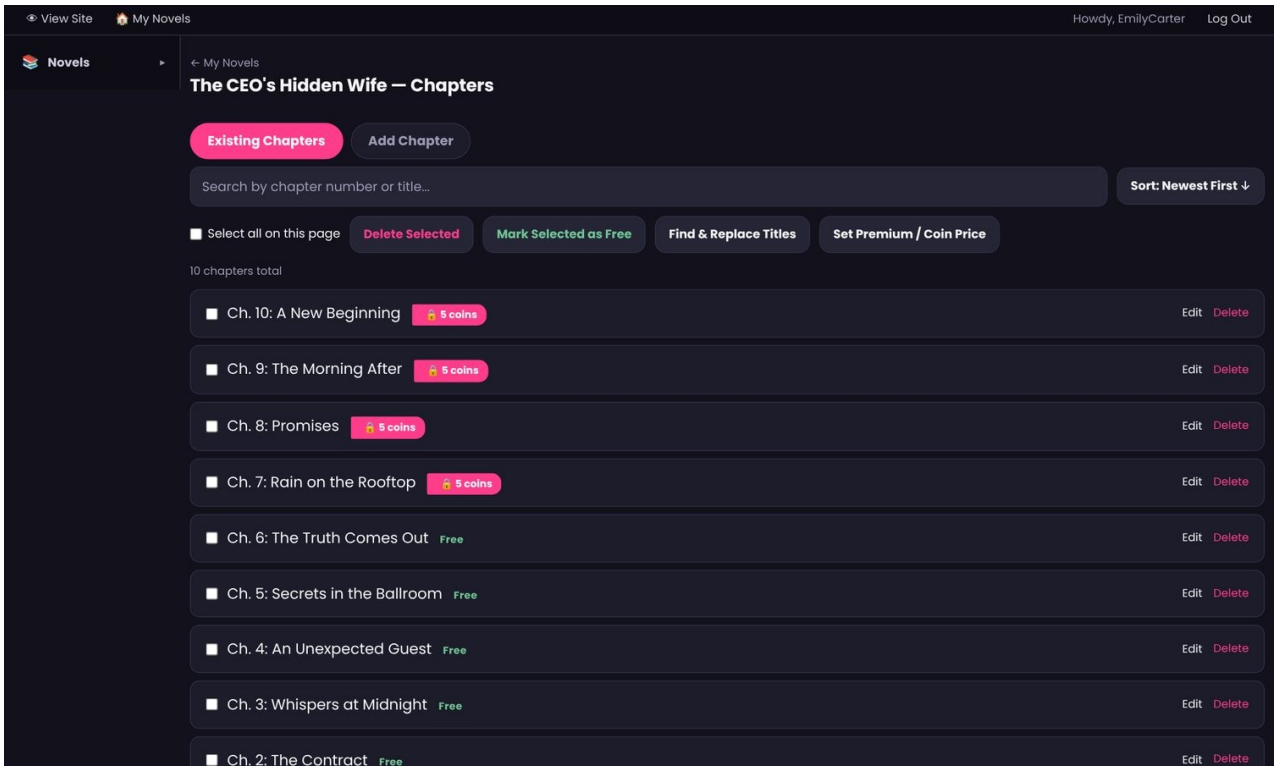


Figure 16. *Existing Chapters with bulk actions.*

Editing a chapter

Click **Edit** to change the number, title, coin price, schedule or text, then **Save Changes**. If AI is switched on for the novel, you also get AI tools here (grammar check and rewrite).

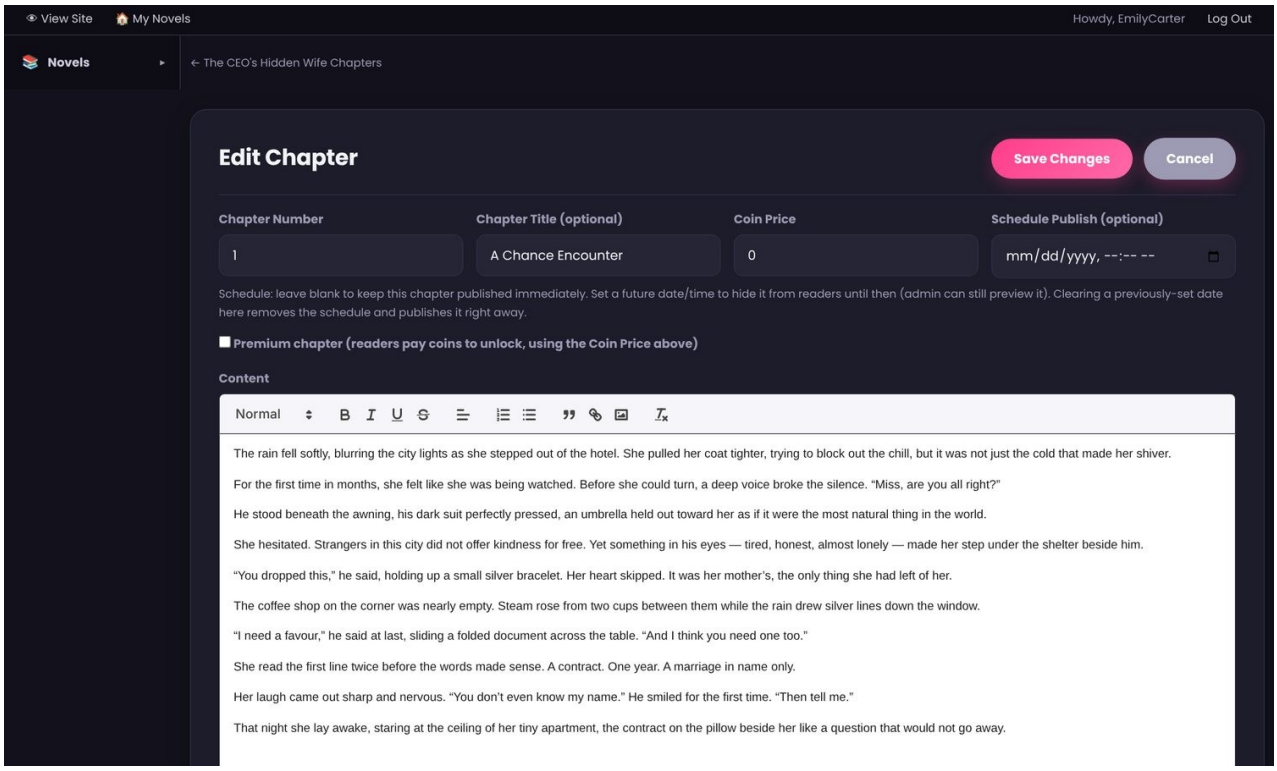


Figure 17. *Edit Chapter.*

5.5 Edit novel details

On **My Novels**, click **Edit Details** to change the title, status, genre, category, synopsis, tags or cover. Other buttons on each novel: **Hide** (take it off the site for now), **Delete**, and under **View More**: **Export** (download all chapters as a ZIP) and **Import**.

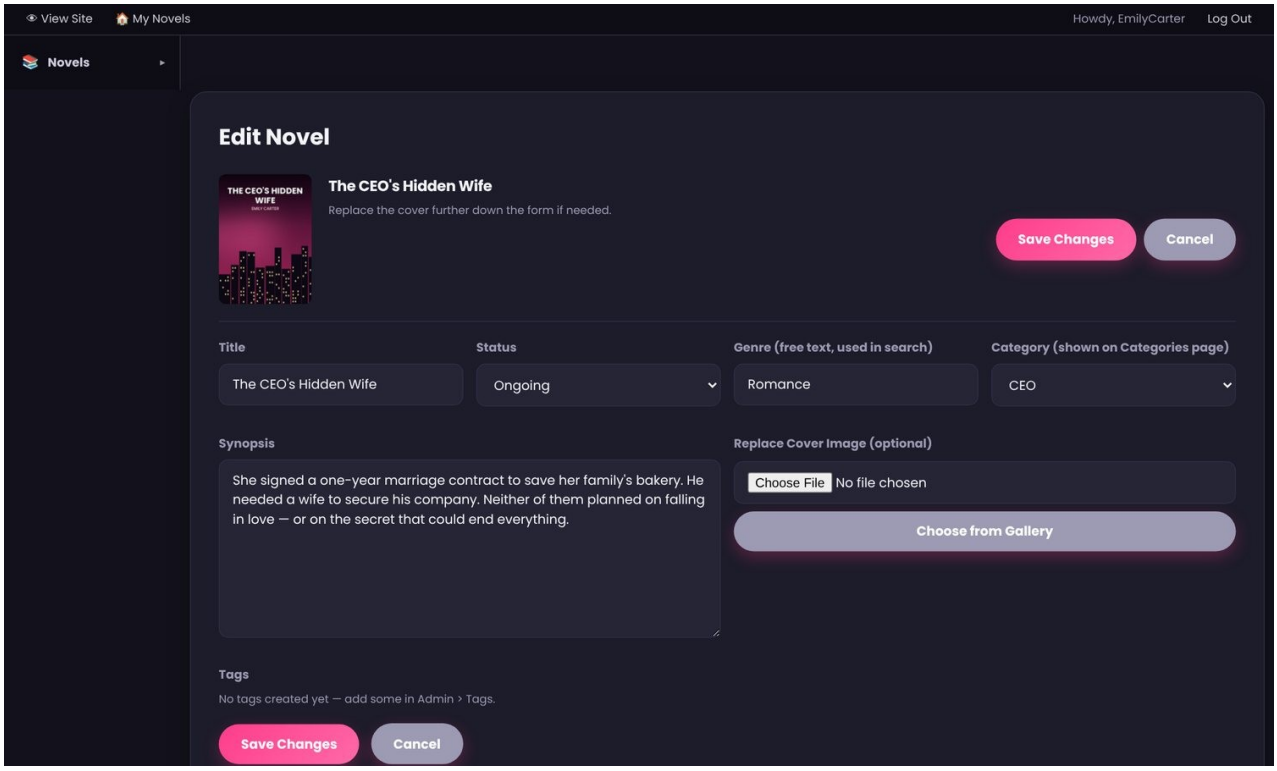


Figure 18. *Edit Novel.*

5.6 Analytics

Analytics shows your total views, favourites, comments and number of novels, and a table per novel with views, chapters, favourites, likes, rating and comments.

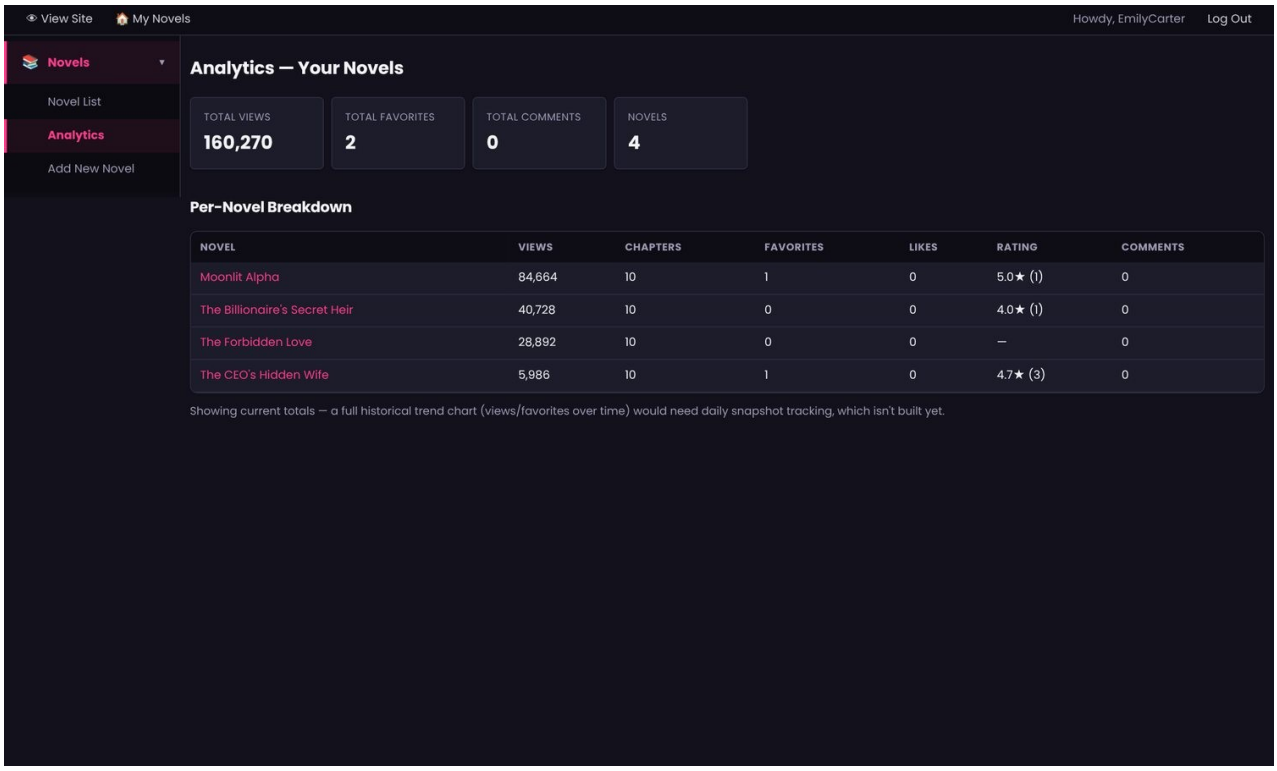


Figure 19. *Author analytics.*

6. Admin Manual

Every part of the admin panel, explained.

6.1 Opening the admin panel

Open `your-site.com/admin` and log in with an admin account. The left menu groups every page: **Novels, Users, Subscriptions, Coins, Payments, AI, Comments, Media / Gallery, Let's Gossip, Website** and **System**. Click a group to open it. **View Site** (top left) opens the public website; **Log Out** is top right.

6.2 Dashboard

The dashboard shows totals at a glance: **User Overview** (users, subscribers, coin buyers), **Novel Overview**, **Revenue** (month, quarter, year in USD and INR), **Subscription Status**, **Comments** and **AI Overview**. Use **Grid / List** to change the layout.

6.3 Novels

Page	What it does
Novel List	The novels **you** (the admin) published: manage chapters, edit, hide, delete, export / import chapters. Novels by authors are under Author Novels.
Analytics	Views, favourites, likes, ratings and comments per novel.
Add New Novel	Same form as for authors (see 5.2). Admin novels go live straight away.
Bulk Chapter Import	Upload a ZIP of chapters — either one exported from this site, or a folder per chapter with a `content.txt` file.
Chapter Search Index	Builds the index that powers searching inside chapter text.
Categories / Genres	Add genres with an emoji icon, rename, reorder, hide or delete.
Tags	Create tags that authors and you can attach to novels.
Author Novels	Every novel submitted by authors. **Approve** or **Reject** (with a reason), **Preview**, set a **Pen Name**, or delete.

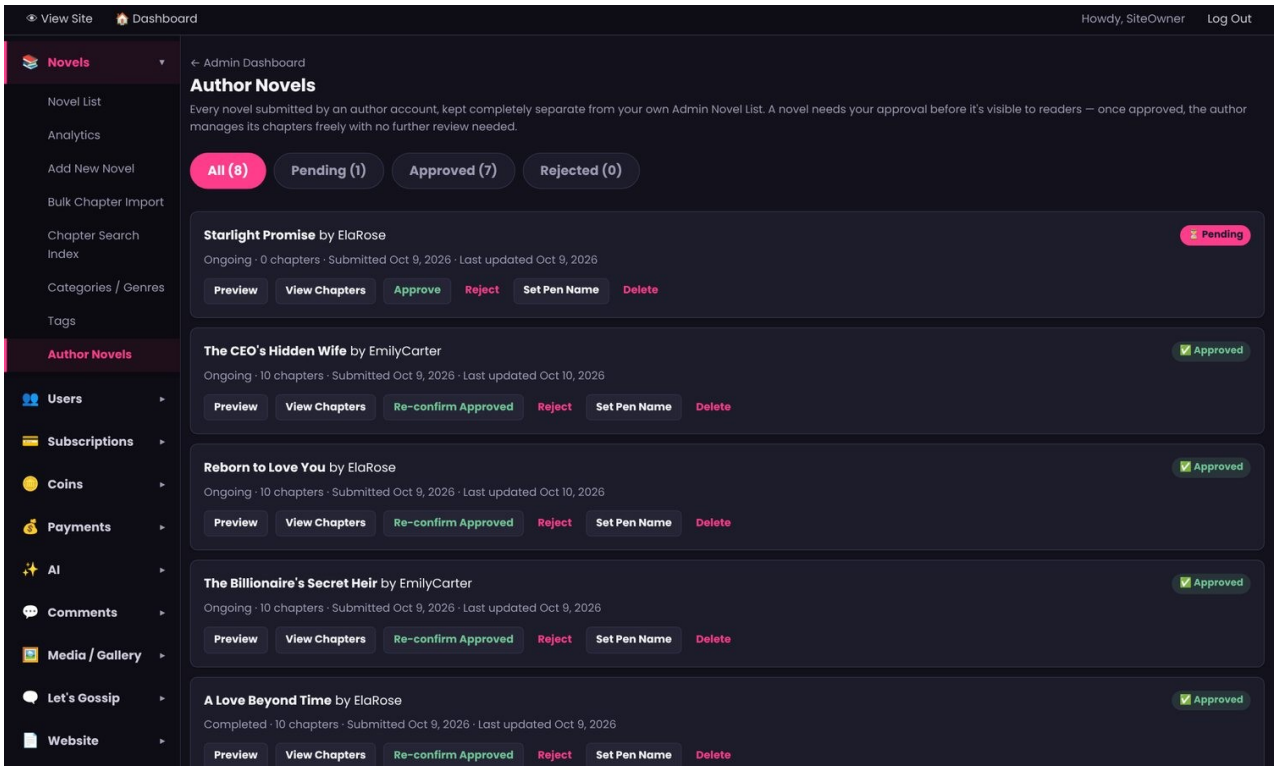


Figure 20. *Author Novels — approve or reject submissions.*

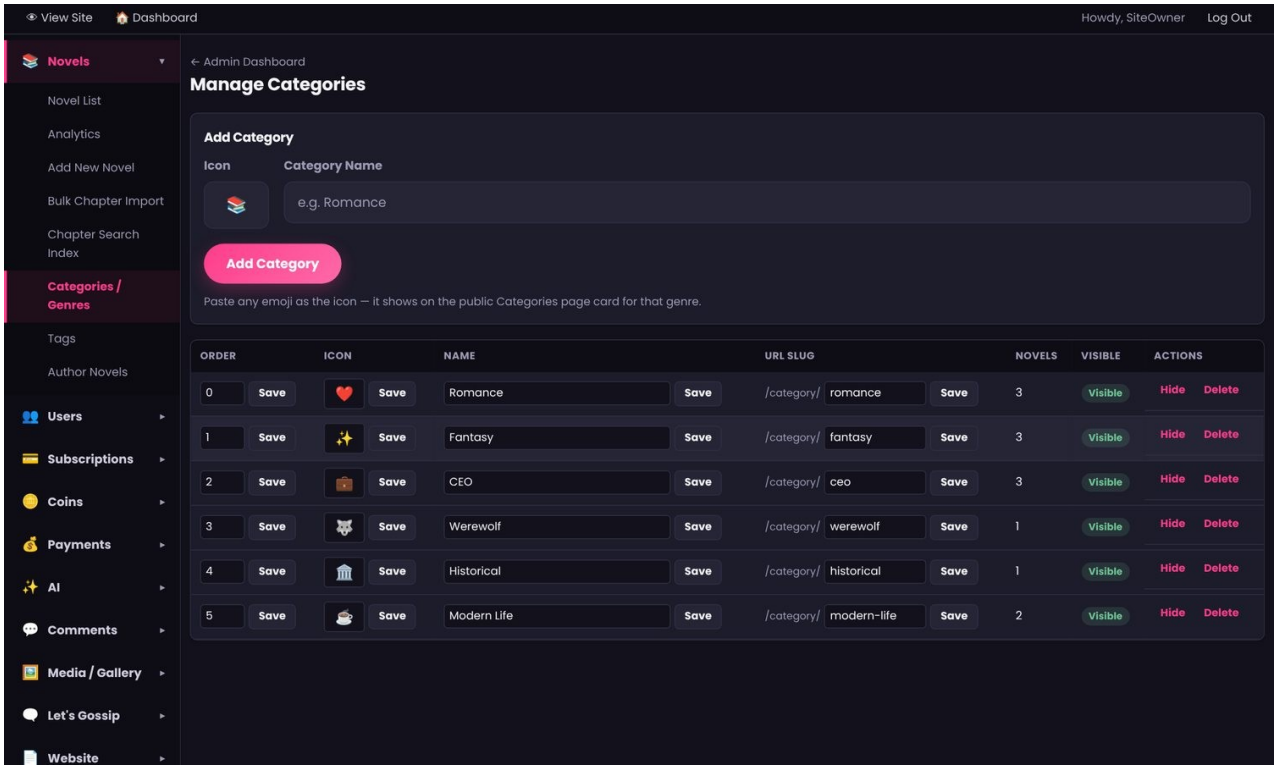


Figure 21. *Categories / Genres.*

6.4 Users

Page	What it does
User List	Search and filter every member. Change a member's **role** (Reader / Author / Admin), add or remove coins, assign a subscription, activate, deactivate or delete. **Create User** adds an account by hand.
User Activity / Recent Visitors	Who is reading what, and recent visits.

Page	What it does
Scraper Report	Accounts that read suspiciously fast, and what gets logged.
Reading Speed Limit	Block accounts that open far more new chapters than a person can read (off by default).
Login & Sign-up Access	Login wall (require login to view the site), allow / stop new sign-ups, Face ID login button, and the **message shown on the login page**.
WP Imported Users / Import / Export Users	Bring members over from WordPress, or export / import members as a file.

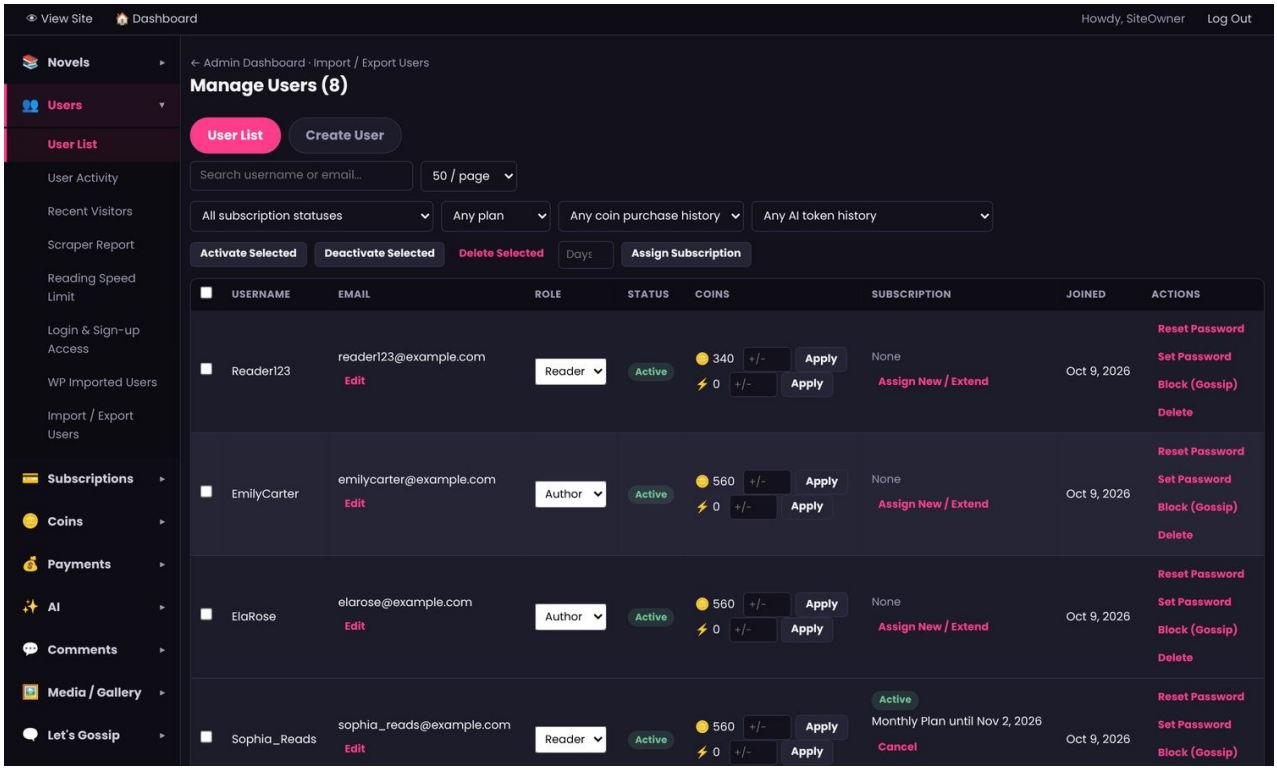


Figure 22. *User List with filters, roles and bulk actions.*

> **TIP** To make someone an author: **Users → User List**, find the member, change **Role** to **Author** and apply. They can now log in at `/author`.

6.5 Subscriptions, coins and payments

Page	What it does
Subscription Plans	Add plans (name, days, price in USD and optional INR), activate / deactivate. Razorpay and PayPal Sync tabs create matching plans for real auto-renewing subscriptions.
Subscription Details / View Subscriptions	Every subscriber, status and expiry date.
Subscription Processing	Daily task: renewal reminders, a 1-day grace period and expiry. Copy the cron address from here (see 3.10).
Coin Packages	Add coin bundles and prices; tabs for **Streak Bonuses** and **Referral Bonuses** (coins for the inviter and the new member).
Coin Purchase Details	Every coin purchase, filter and **Export CSV**.

Page	What it does
Currencies	USD and INR are built in. Add other currencies with an exchange rate; prices are calculated from the USD price.
Payment Settings	Turn gateways on / off, Test or Live mode, API keys and webhook secrets (see 3.9).
Webhook Logs	Every message received from the payment gateways — useful when a payment does not show up.
Coins & Subscriptions Switch	Turn the coin system and / or the subscription system on or off. With both off, premium chapters open to every logged-in member.

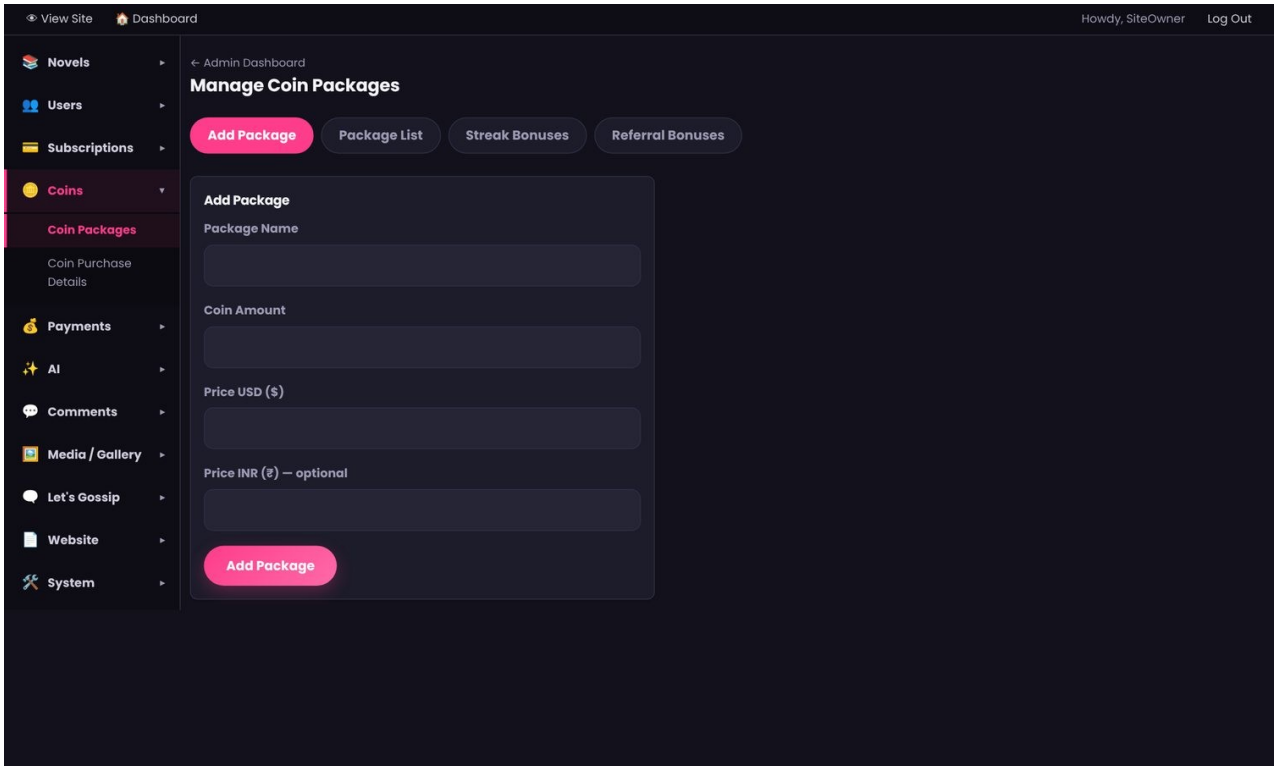


Figure 23. *Coin Packages.*

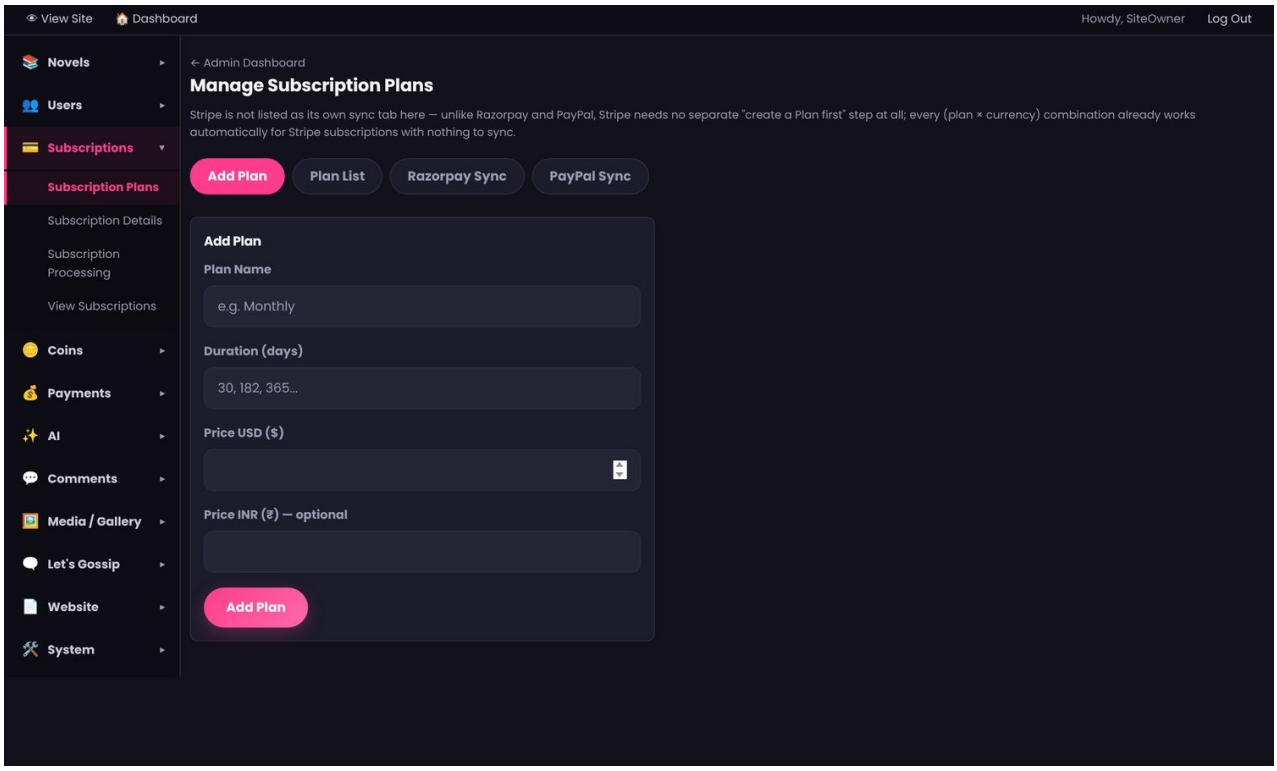


Figure 24. *Subscription Plans.*

> **NOTE** Real automatic renewal happens when a reader subscribes through **Stripe** or **PayPal** subscription plans. For other plan purchases the site sends a renewal reminder before the plan ends and a grace day before it expires.

6.6 AI (optional)

Page	What it does
AI Settings	Switch AI on for the whole site and connect **Google Gemini** or **OpenAI** with your own API key (paid API usage). Tabs for batch processing, background jobs and AI tokens.
Personal AI Pricing / AI Token Packages	How many tokens each reader action costs, and token bundles readers can buy.
Reader AI Features	Per novel: show or hide **Continue With AI**, **Ask AI** and **Characters**.
AI Chapter Generator	Writing prompts, per-novel AI settings, generating chapters, review queue.
Novel AI Memory / AI Character Extraction	The story summary and character list the AI uses to stay consistent.
AI Dashboard / AI Profit Calculator	Usage, cost and suggested prices.

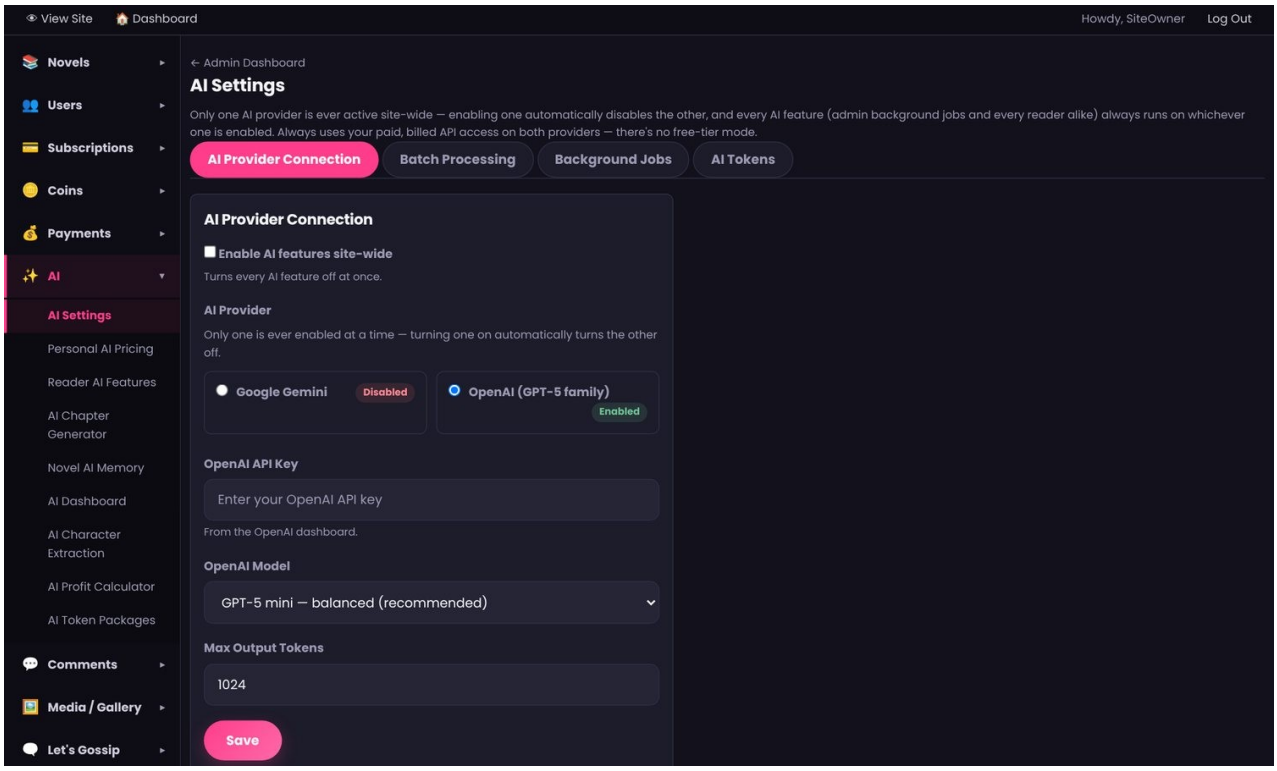


Figure 25. *AI Settings — choose your AI provider.*

6.7 Comments, media and community

Page	What it does
All Comments	Approve, mark as spam or delete comments; tabs for Pending, Approved, Spam.
Content Reports	Comments, chapters or novels reported by readers.
Novel Comments	Turn comments on or off per novel.
Image Gallery	Upload images once (converted to fast WebP) and reuse them as covers anywhere.
Let's Gossip → Settings & Channels	Switch the community on, set how long messages are kept, add channels and choose who can post.
Let's Gossip → Announcements	Pinned announcements in the community.

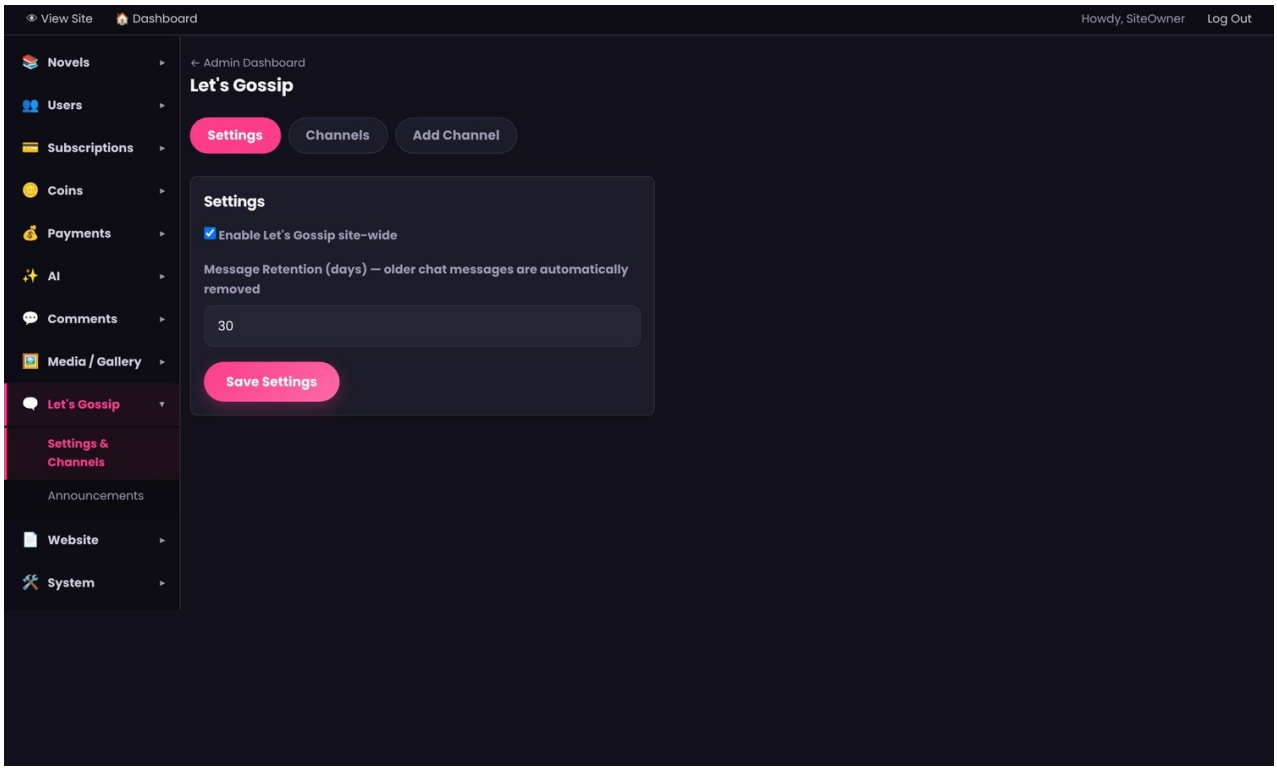


Figure 26. *Let's Gossip settings and channels.*

6.8 Website settings

Page	What it does
Branding	Site title, logo and logo size, paragraph text size, timezone (used for scheduled chapters), favicon and phone app icon.
Site Announcements	A banner above the header on every page, and a one-time popup on the homepage.
Homepage Sections	Switch every homepage section on or off.
Advanced Search / My Account Sections	Turn the advanced search page and each My Account section on or off.
Reader Watermark / Hidden Reader Mark	Add the reader's username into chapter text so leaked copies can be traced.
Novel URLs	Manage novel web addresses.
Search & Bot Protection	Hide chosen (or all) novels from search engines and bots; block developer tools on the reading page.
Pages / Menus	Create pages (About, Privacy, Terms…) and add them to the header or footer. **Add Default Pages** creates the 10 standard pages.
Notifications	Email (SMTP) settings for sending, and which events email you.
Weekly Digest	Weekly email to readers about new chapters; cron address and test button.
Custom Code & Ads	Analytics or verification code in the header / footer, and ad code for the chapter page.
FAQ & Quick Contact	Homepage FAQ list and contact email.
Construction Mode	Show a maintenance page to visitors while admins and authors keep working.

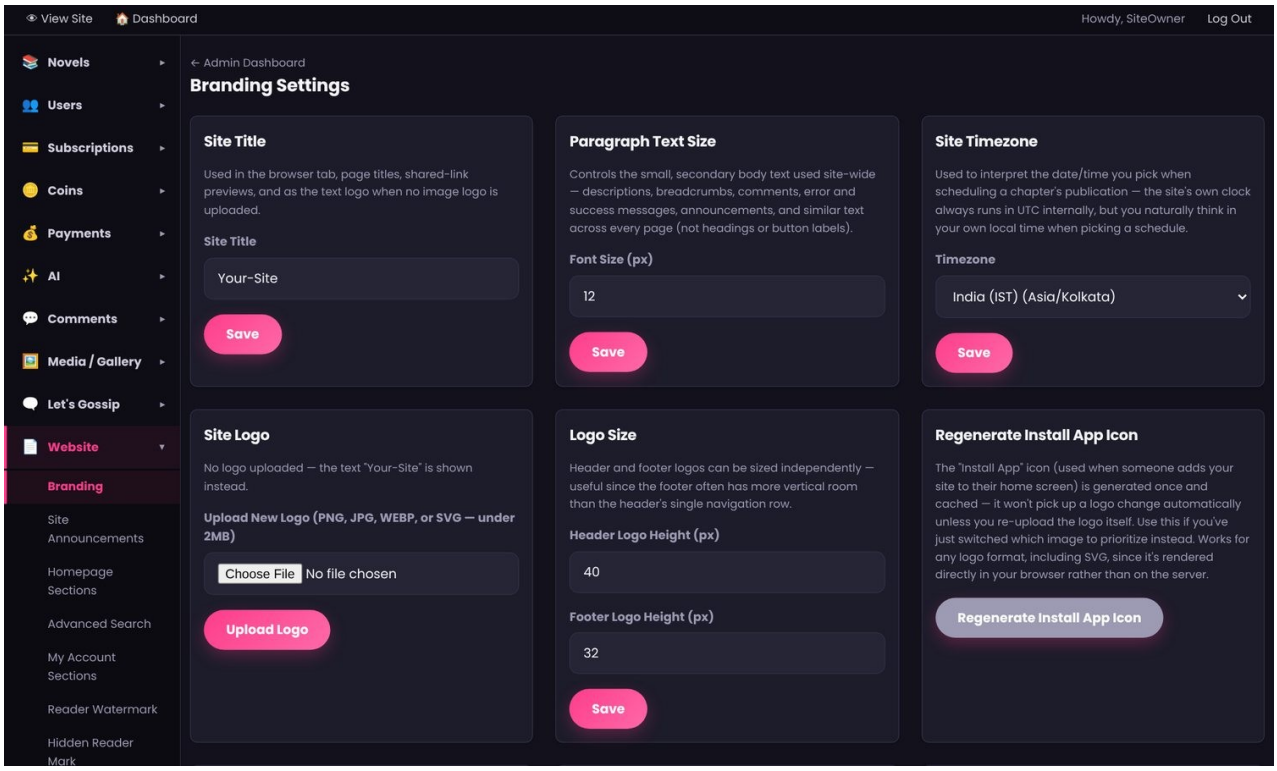


Figure 27. *Branding settings.*

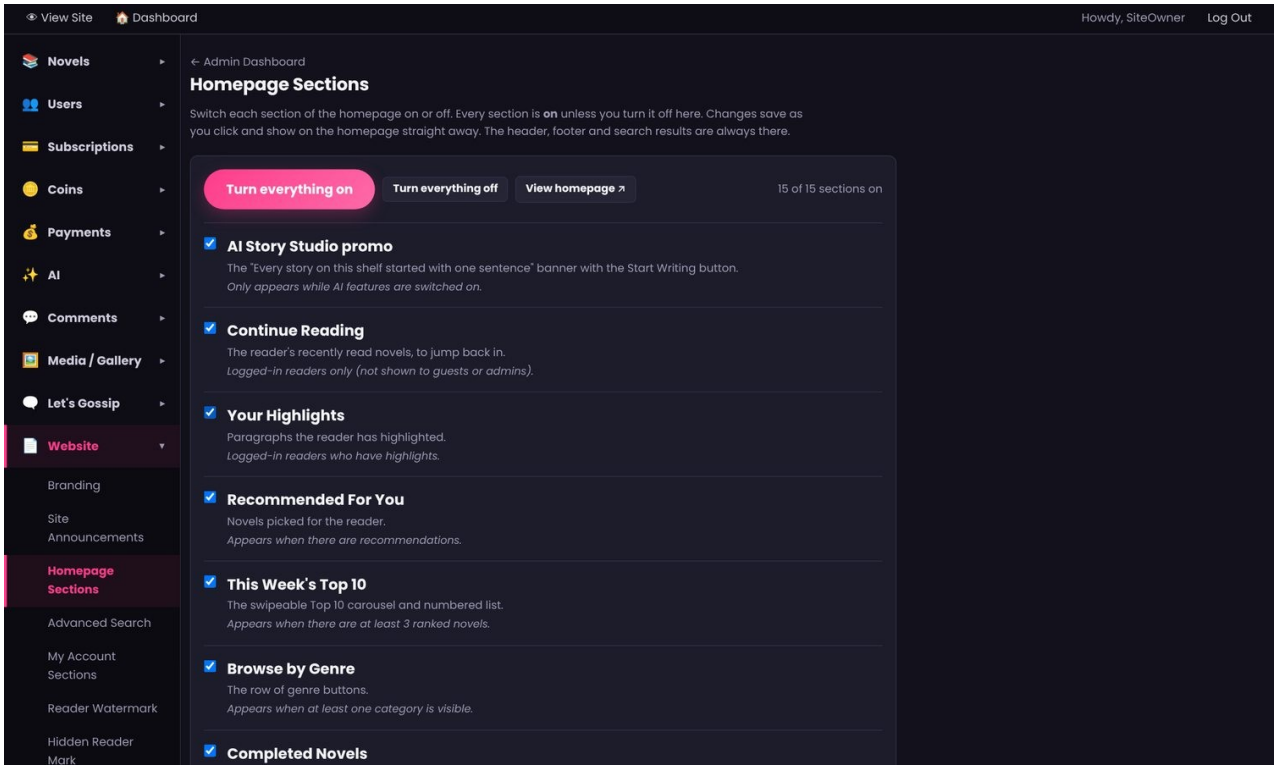


Figure 28. *Homepage Sections.*

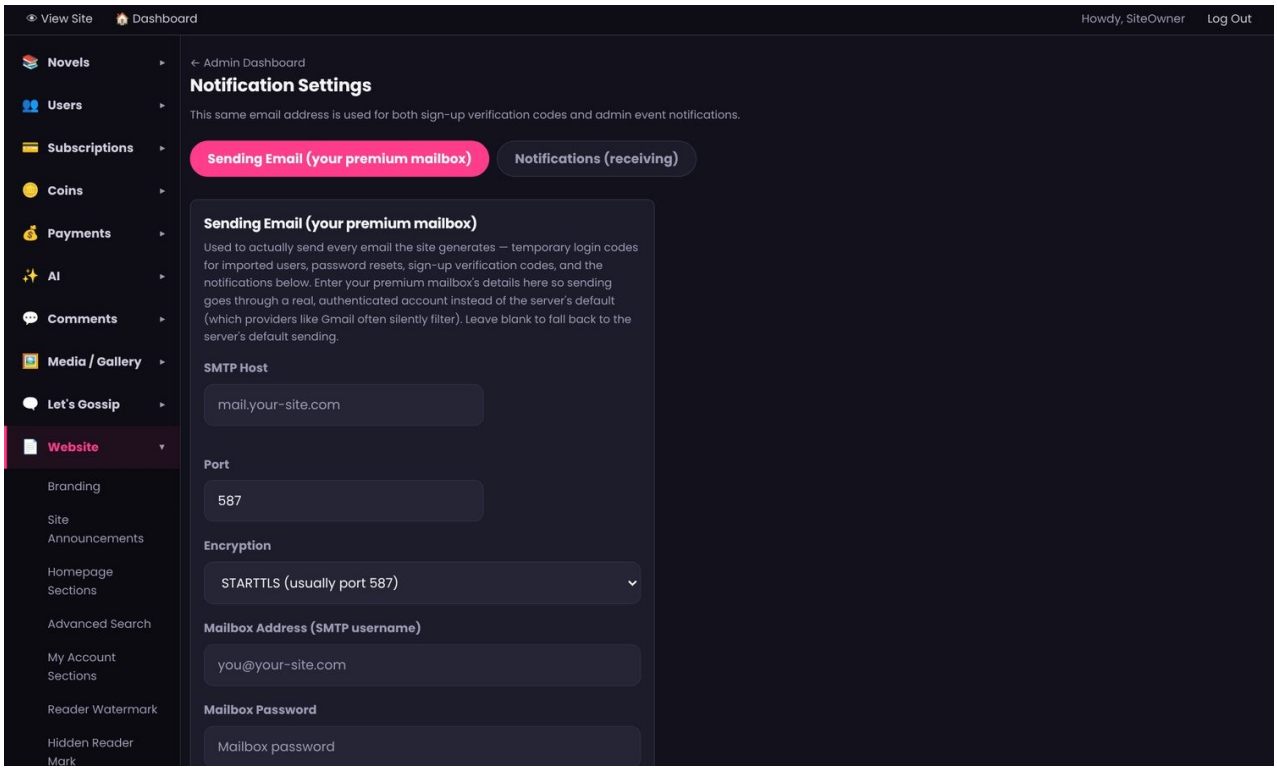


Figure 29. *Notifications — email (SMTP) settings.*

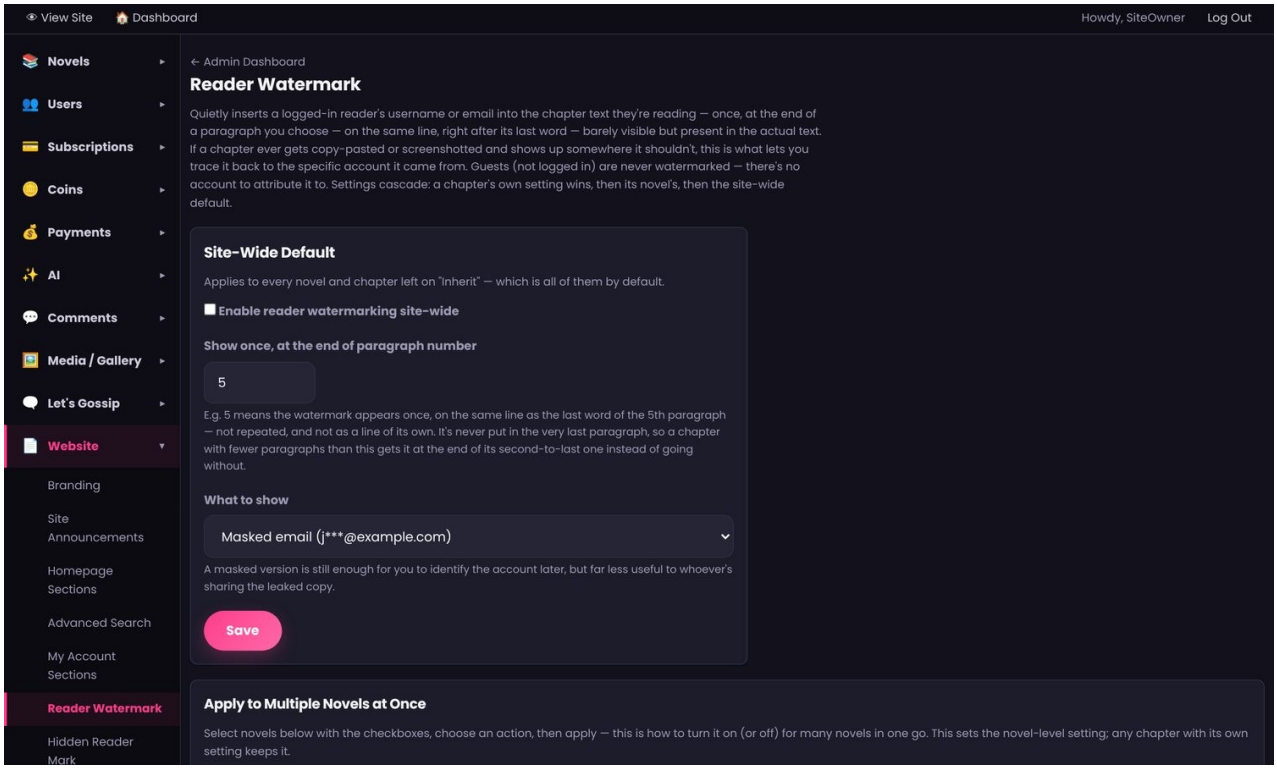


Figure 30. *Reader Watermark.*

6.9 System

Page	What it does
Backup & Restore	Create a full backup with one click, download it, upload an older one, or restore (type RESTORE to confirm).
Database Config	Shows how to change the database connection in `config/db.php`.

Page	What it does
Security	Login lockout after failed attempts, Google reCAPTCHA, and two-factor authentication for your admin account.
Site Health	Every error the site logs, plus the size of the uploads folder.
License	Licence status, licensed domain, last check and a **Check now** button.

> **TIP** Make a backup before big changes, and download it to your computer once a week.

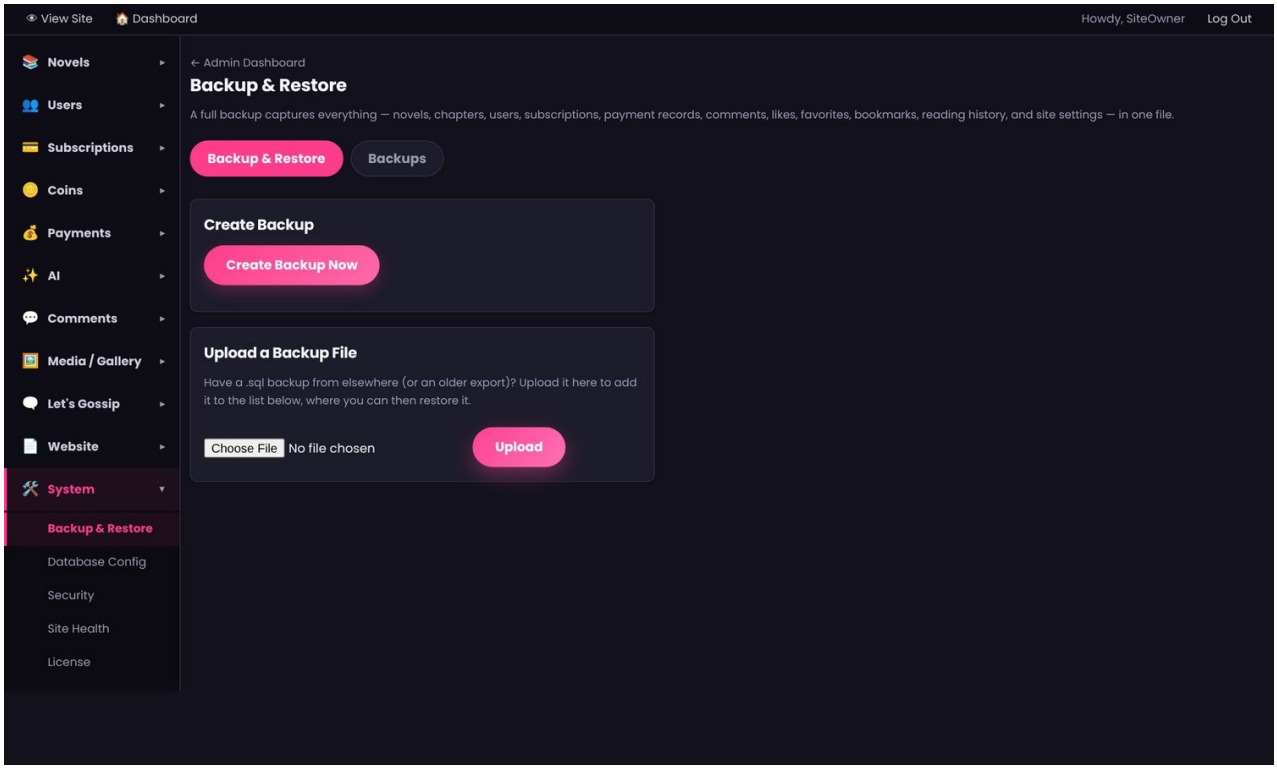


Figure 31. *Backup & Restore.*

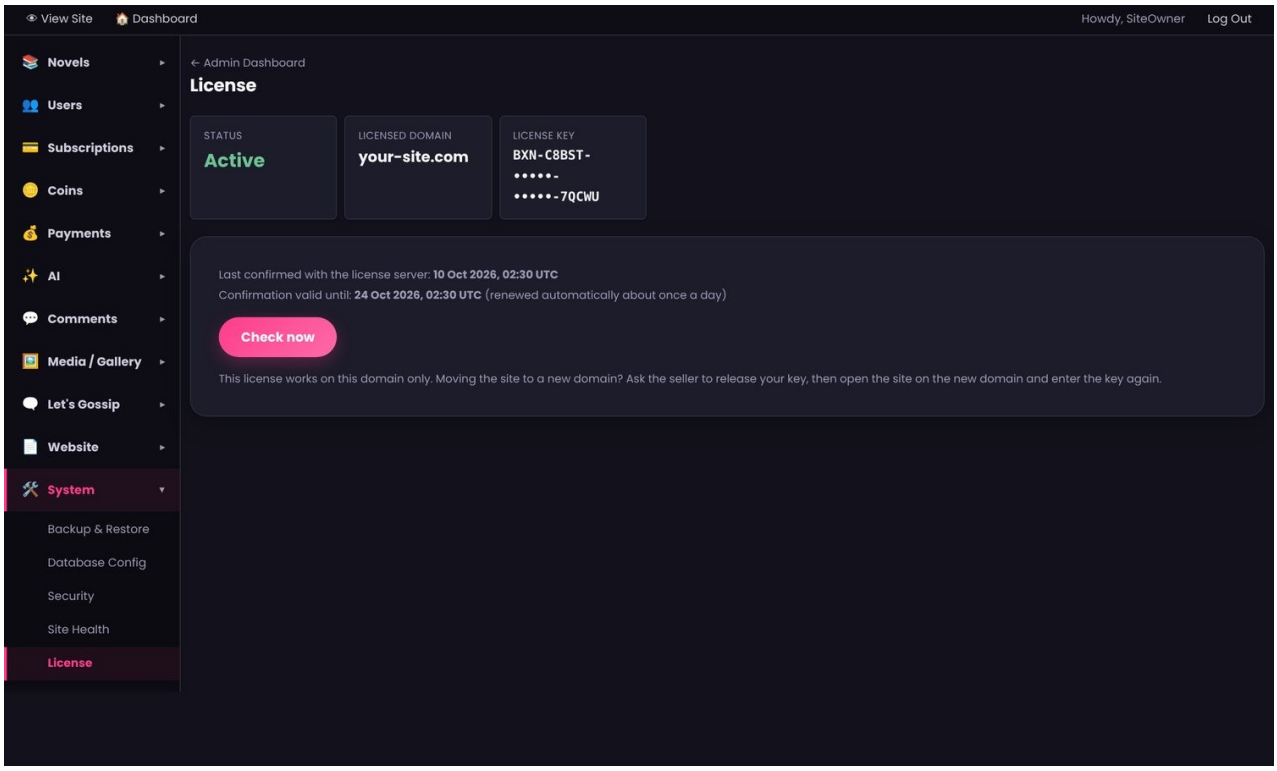


Figure 32. *System → License.*

7. Troubleshooting & FAQ

Quick fixes for the most common problems.

Problem	What to do
"Database connection failed"	Check the four lines in `config/db.php` match the database, user and password you created. `DB_HOST` is usually `localhost`.
Only the homepage works, other pages show 404	The `.htaccess` file is missing or URL rewriting is off. Turn on "show hidden files", upload `.htaccess` again, or ask your host to enable mod_rewrite.
"Activate your website" keeps showing	Enter your licence key. Make sure you open the site through your real domain.
"Can only be activated on a real public domain"	You opened the site through localhost, an IP address or a test address. Use your real domain.
"Already activated on another domain"	The key is locked to a different domain. Contact the seller to release it.
"Could not reach the license server"	Your host blocks outgoing connections. Ask them to allow outgoing HTTPS (port 443).
"Missing the sodium extension"	In your host's PHP settings, switch on the `sodium` extension (or use PHP 8.1+).
Sign-up codes / password emails do not arrive	Set up SMTP in **Website → Notifications** and click **Send Test Email**. Check the spam folder.
Payment taken but coins not added	Check the webhook URL and secret in your gateway dashboard and **Payment Settings**, and check **Webhook Logs**. Make sure Test / Live mode matches your keys.
Images do not upload	Make the `uploads` folder writable (755 or 775). Covers must be under 3 MB.
Weekly digest / renewal emails never send	The cron jobs are not set up — see 3.10.
Visitors see a maintenance page	**Website → Construction Mode** is on. Admins and authors do not see it.
Novels do not appear on Google	Check **Login & Sign-up Access** (login wall) and **Search & Bot Protection** are not hiding your novels.
An author cannot see their new novel on the site	It is waiting for approval in **Novels → Author Novels**.
Forgot the admin password	Use **Forgot password?** on the login page — it emails a reset link to the admin email, so keep that email up to date.

7.1 Frequently asked questions

Can I use my own logo and colours?

Yes. Upload your logo in **Website → Branding**. The site has a built-in dark and light design.

Can I run the site without payments?

Yes. Turn off both systems in **Payments → Coins & Subscriptions Switch** and leave chapters free.

Do I need AI?

No. All AI features are optional and off until you add an API key.

Can I move the site to another domain later?

Yes — ask the seller to release your licence, then activate it on the new domain.

Where are my files and images stored?

In the `uploads` folder on your hosting. Include it in your own backups.

Can readers use it as an app?

Yes — readers can install it on their phone home screen (see 4.9).

Thank you for choosing Your-Site.