

Inglorious Geeks - Episode 34

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i++) Greetings

i++) Chris Talks About Comic Book Movies

i++) Video Game News with Jason

- World of Warcraft
 - Blizzard has some of the best non-release quarters breaking records for active users and revenue thanks to WoW and Overwatch. I also forget they have King which makes Candy Crush.
 - Patch 7.2 will have a new part of the campaign rewarding a follower and a toy called "Champion's Salute".
 - Hotfixes for Mythic Nighthold bosses, legion legendary items can no longer be destroyed, love fools can now be properly placed in battlegrounds, artifact power won from bonus rolls will no longer display for other members of your group, and a few other changes seeming less important.
 - The Love Fool event is active and anyone lvl 16+ can queue for the event meaning you can stack your chances of getting the Big Love Rocket drop from the Crown Chemical Co. encounter. Items of note are the "Love Boat" for 270 love tokens and the "Sturdy Love Fool" dummy sold for 100 love tokens.
- Overwatch console players have been flooding forums calling those who play with a mouse and keyboard "cheaters". Overwatch director Jeff Kaplan posted on Battle.net stating that there should be a stop to input conversion devices unless the consoles start universally supporting mouse and keyboards for all console players. They want an even playing field for all those who play their games. XIM founder stated that their inputs don't give an unfair advantage but rather an advantage for those like himself who cannot game well using a thumbstick.
- Destiny 2 is still coming fall this year so long as it stays on track
- Red Dead Redemption 2 will be released in 2018 with a focus on multiplayer.
- Sony has announced it's finally going to support external hard drives for their PS4 Pro. Games like Fallout 4 are going to be 58GB.
- PS4 might get a "boost mode" to improve frame rates in the 4.5 update on the console. This could also allow games to stick closer to 1080p more consistently or increase the game's FPS if it's not locked at 30.. There was a warning that if unwanted reaction/gameplay effects occur to turn off the mode for that game.
- Best Buys are losing Oculus demo stations due to low demand.
- World Health Organization is trying to classify excessive video game playing as a mental illness.

i++) April's Famous Birthdays

- 2/12 - Raphael Sbarge
- 2/12 - David Steinberg
- 2/12 - Javi Sanchez-Blanco Boyer
- 2/13 - Stockard Channing
- 2/13 - Robbie Williams

- 2/13 - Peter Gabriel
- 2/14 - Simon Pegg
- 2/14 - Danai Gurira
- 2/15 - Matt Groening
- 2/15 - Chris Farley
- 2/16 - Christopher Eccleston
- 2/16 - LeVar Burton
- 2/17 - Bonnie Wright
- 2/17 - Jerry O'Connell
- 2/17 - Joseph Gordon-Levitt
- 2/17 - Loreena McKennitt
- 2/17 - Michael Bay
- 2/17 - Billie Joe Armstrong
- 2/18 - Mary I England
- 2/18 - John Travolta

i++) Jason's Techy Talk

- Space junk collecting cable fails to deploy before unmanned spacecraft called Kounotori 6 returned back to earth. Releasing a cable may seem simple, but nothing in space is simple" says Sean Tuttle of the University of New South Wales in Australia.
- Trend Micro's Wordpress blog, CounterMeasures, was the target of a content spoofing attack. They responded and shut down the vulnerability completely to resolve the issue. Another example of how hard it is to protect against exploits, regardless of if that's what your company does.
- Verizon's Data Breach Digest 2017 released a report about how a college network had 5,000 of its IoT devices compromised and those devices started making hundreds of Domain Name Service (DNS) look-ups every 15 minutes slowing down the entire network and restricting access to the majority of internet services.
- So all you James Bond fans out there will like this one. Researchers in Saudi Arabia have developed mechanism that, when triggered, can destroy a smartphone or other electronic device in as little as 10 seconds. Engineers believe the phone will see adoption in intelligence and financial communities and existing phones could be retrofitted for just \$15. So who'd want a self-destructing phone?
- Vulcanologists always watch Iceland carefull as it has 130 different volcanoes and it's being reported that something big might be coming. Four of the largest volcanoes are showing signs of an impending eruption which can ground all aircraft travel over Europe, cause vast floods from melting glaciers in the vicinity as well as the volumes of sulfur could induce global nuclear winter for a decade and poisonous fluoride gas clouds pop up.
- People using PayPal to transfer money will see a price hike in those costs. What I find questionable is the non-discouragement clause for sellers that states those using PayPal cannot dissuade or inhibit customers from using PayPal. Meaning no complaining.

- Valve is shutting down Steam's greenlight community voting system and replacing it with a fee based system called Stream Direct where developers will have to pay for every title they plan to distribute.
- Spammer faces decades in prison for sending more than 1 million spam emails. Michael Persaud of Scottsdale, Arizona was hit with 10 counts of wire fraud each carrying a maximum sentence of 20 years.

i++) April's Comic Con Updates

- Motor City:
 - Anthony Michael Hall(Sixteen Candles, The Breakfast Club)
 - Karolyn Grimes (It's A Wonderful Life Suzu)
 - Rob Schneider
- C2E2:
 - Gaten Matarazzo (Stranger Things)
 - Steve Blum (Star Wars Rebels)
 - Troy Baker (Batman Arkham Origins)
- Wizard World Chicago
 - Kevin Sorbo (Hercules)

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