

## Inglorious Geeks - Episode 36

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i++) Greetings

i++) April's Famous Birthdays

- 2/26 - Ed Quinn
- 2/27 - Donal Logue
- 2/28 - Robert Sean Leonard
- 2/28 - Bernadette Peters
- 3/1 - Jensen Ackles
- 3/1 - Jack Davenport
- 3/2 - Daniel Craig
- 3/2 - Edmund McMillen
- 3/2 - Dr. Seuss
- 3/2 - Jon Bon Jovi
- 3/3 - James Doohan
- 3/3 - Miranda Richardson
- 3/4 - Tamzin Merchant
- 3/4 - Catherine O'Hara

i++) Chris Talks About Why the X-Men Need to Become Their Own Cinematic Universe Now

i++) Video Game News with Jason

- World of Warcraft
  - Developer Q&A with Ion Hazzikostas
    - Balance of Power skins will not be made account wide so whatever character you perform it on will only be able to enable the skin.
    - Hidden appearances from raid & dungeon bosses have bad luck protection as of Patch 7.1.5
    - Patch 7.1.5 overall secondary stats change were successful. Some items like Arcanocrystal are special cases since they didn't have primary stats so they fixed this by making the stats over the item budget. These will fall out of favor as items levels go up with Tomb of Sargeras.
    - Patch 7.2 Relics will have a 2nd trait added in the trait research adding more possibilities and customization to relic system. Specific dungeons will drop specific traits.
    - Tier sets and some trinkets that change effects based on spec are somewhat of a concession. The legendary items that are most problematic are the ones that feel like they are universally the best. They name a few items that are being watched and some that might need buffed. Crafted legendary items don't count against your legendary bad luck protection. Crafted legendaries should be a solid middle of the road legendary. Only planning 4 crafted legendary items.
    - Patch 7.2 will add new Artifact Knowledge catch up tomes. If you're at 40 you can buy a 35 tome. In this patch if you're putting all your AP

into 1 weapon then you'll only be a few points ahead of anyone distributing it across all weapons.

- Tier 20 set bonuses will have 6 pieces for 2 and 4 pc bonus so you could forgot legendaries to use Tier 19 2pc bonus with your 4 set bonus from Tier 20. Could lead to interesting choices.
  - Tank trinkets are successful with passive stats and mitigations being most reliable vs active ability.
  - Team wants to shift away from players feeling like there is a finish line for Artifact Power. There is an ongoing arms race to play more and more for a very small advantage in the race for Mythic Raiding. Some guild leaders expected raiders to chain run Maw of Souls all week. This was a problem. Playing endless hours for a small advantage isn't sustainable.
- Blizzard is teasing Overwatch's new character updating the public test realm updating the Numbani map showing something the glass holding Doomfist's gauntlet has been smashed and it probably being used on guards as one is punched into the wall causing a huge spider crack from it's origin, probably using the Doomfirst gauntlet.
  - New Switch performance mode may be as high of a boost as 25%.
  - Nintendo Switch released this upcoming Friday. Nintendo increased the pre-order release quotas because of the large demand for the system. Hoping to see it sell just as well as the Wii.
  - The next Halo game will have split-screen support which is pretty awesome in my book.
  - The Elder Scrolls Online has 8.5 million players according to MMORPG.com. They've gained 1.5 million new players in less than a year.
  - Pillars of Eternity 2 funding ends with \$4.4 million making it the largest crowdfunded game since Star Citizen in 2015.
  - If you haven't heard of Star Citizen it's a fantastic looking game based on the alpha demos available to view. It will be a fantastic game once they finish it.

#### i++) April's Comic Con Updates

- Wizard World Chicago
  - Jewel Staite
- C2E2
  - Vincent D'Onofrio of Daredevil

#### i++) Jason's Techy Talk

- Slooh Observatory is webcasting "Ring of Fire" eclipse which is visible in the southern hemisphere this morning (Sunday). For those who did miss it you can still watch it [here](#).
- Video game industry is lobbying against legislation that would make it easier for gamers to repair their consoles and for consumer to repair all electronics more generally. The Entertainment Software Association, including Sony, Microsoft, Nintendo and dozens of video game developers, are opposing a "right to repair" bill in Nebraska. Bill requires manufactures make diagnostic manuals public and offer

software tools or firmware to revert an electronic device to its original functioning state caused by software locks preventing independent repair.

- Machine-learning AI beats 10 professionals in Super Smash Bros Melee. The AI learned by playing itself slowly learning which techniques fail and which succeed, called reinforcement learning.
- Garmin engineer shot and killed by man yelling "Get out of my country!". Srinivas Kuchibhotla was shot and killed at a local bar in Olathe, Kansas. A co-worker Alok Madasani was also injured with bystander Ian Grillot.
- Missing \$10k package of Super Nintendo games found by post office. The package was for a project to preserve every Super Nintendo game ROM. Donations made to try to get another copy made are being refunded.
- According to a new study published in the journal Cell, a certain type of fasting diet can trigger the pancreas to regenerate itself. Researchers advise people to not try without medical advice.
- Android 7.0 Nougat update released.

i++) April Pays Tribute to Recent Actor Deaths

- Bill Paxton
- Neil Fingleton

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