

The Wyvern's Tale

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The Captain's Ready Room



Welcome to the Wyvern's Tale!

Several members have asked to restart our quarterly newsletter and we listen. Thanks to Ensign Roberta Staymates for stepping up and starting it off. I hope we can use this as an avenue to share information about our chapter, and organization, with everyone interesting in having a good time while geeking out.

In this edition, Ensign Ro has compiled several articles, games, and information that I'm sure everyone can enjoy. In future editions please share any book reviews, convention announcements, or fan fiction. If you think it's interesting, and would like to share, please send in your submissions.

At this time, the Wyvern's Tale is going to be published quarterly. Our next Issue will be coming out in August.

Please submit your own Fan Art, Fan Fiction, Book Reviews, etc no later than July 1st to taleofthewyvern@gmail.com. The Wyvern's Tale is a family publication, so please insure that all submissions reflect this.

By sending your work in, you are giving USS Wessex permission to publish it in this format. (And we thank you!!!)

We have the best Ship in the Fleet! Let's make this the best newsletter as well!

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One of the challenges with a Correspondence Chapter is how to keep it interesting. Thankfully I have some help. I like to thank Chief Kristy Knighton for a well varied Facebook page. I also like to give a big thanks to Commodore Ros Haywood, Fleet Captain Dave Jamison, and Fleet Captain Minka Leeser for the excellent story "The Wessex Predicament". I'm looking forward to future installments.

Lastly, please don't be afraid to start up a conversation on one of the lists. Between Facebook, Twitter, or our Google Group feel free to post what's on your mind. These are the places to post your likes, dislikes, or whatever is on your mind. So please, take the time to check in and let us know how you are doing or how you think the chapter is doing. It goes without saying that my Ready Room is always open for your comments, suggestions, or criticism. Can't fix anything if we don't know it's broke.

That's it for now; remember "If it doesn't challenge you, it doesn't change you" let's except the challenge every day. Bring It On!

Thanks to all for your support.

Captain Ron Coleman

CO, USS WESSEX NCC-74207

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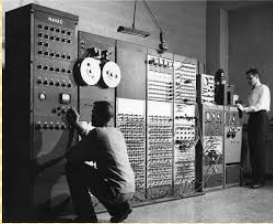
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The Science of Trek

"They used to say that if Man was meant to fly, he'd have wings. But he *did* fly. He discovered he had to." James T. Kirk (Return to Tomorrow)

Star Trek opened my eyes and heart to wonders that I had never imagined. I remember watching the original series as a very young girl, and the discussions that it opened up between me and my Dad. At the time, there was a lot of talk about the moon missions, and I remember asking him, "Do you think man will ever really go to the moon?" His answer, "Whatever man can imagine, man can accomplish."



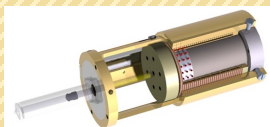
The science of Trek was madly outlandish back in the 60's. When a computer filled a room, our intrepid heroes had computers that they carried in their hands, and that they could simply speak to. Dr McCoy could

place a tricorder close to his patients and tell you their entire medical history. And let's not forget the hypospray! (For someone who has always hated shots, this seemed to me to be the ultimate!) Transporters, phasers, biobeds and communicators, the imagination of the writers seemed to be endless.

I took a quick look at where we are today in terms of 'man accomplishing what he imagined'. Aside from the obvious technologies that we each use every day, our cell phones, iPads, Tablets, Notebooks, VR glasses, Google glasses, Google translate, etc...what else has been created to bring us closer to the Star Trek realities of technology?



Introducing the Scanadu Scout Tricorder. This little baby can record your heart rate, blood pressure, body temperature, respiratory rate, Oxygen saturation, ECG and emotional stress! You place the device on your forehead for 10 seconds and all of this information is displayed on your smart device. While it does not (yet) read other medical conditions, the creators of the Scout are continuing research.



Oh heck yeah! MIT is developing this little baby that uses a Lorentz Force Activator, which effectively uses a magnetic field to eject medications at very high pressures and velocities through its mosquito proboscis sized nozzle. NO NEEDLES!



This hand held Ultrasound device is already being used in Emergency Rooms and Paramedic Trucks around the world. Instant viewing of the internal organs can make a difference between life and death.

Star Trek continues to forge the way for technological breakthroughs, and while we do not have holodeck as of yet, someday, my friend, someday!

Ensign Ro





From Around the Fleet

Fleet Admiral Wayne Killough passed away unexpectedly this past month. He is mourned by many and will be missed by us all.

Adm Tammy Wilcox, STARFLEET Scholarships Director, remembers the many times that she and Wayne discussed the STARFLEET Scholarship Program, and how supportive he always was towards this arm of STARFLEET.

Because of this, a number of members have made special donations to the Scholarship Program in his honor. If you are interested in making a donation, you may do so via PayPal at <http://sfi.org/scholarships/>



Our Region of Space

The USS Wessex is stationed in Region 4 of STARFLEET space. Region 4 includes old earth's states of Arizona, Nevada, Hawaii, and California.

There are some interesting things about these old states that you may not be aware of.

The state of California played host to many of the 'documentaries' about Starfleet and the voyages and missions of her crews. TOS episode 'Arena' as well as TNG's 'Darmok' were filmed, in part, in Vasquez Rocks, California. Griffith Park, California hosted TNG, Voyager and DS9, while the Japanese Tea Gardens of the Woodley Avenue Park played host to Starfleet Academy.

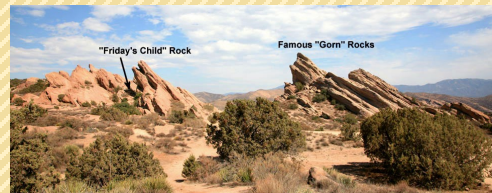
Star Trek IV was filmed primarily in San Francisco and the Monterey Aquarium, while parts of it, specifically the landing of the Klingon Bird of Prey, were filmed near Los Angeles.

Parts of the TNG documentary 'Generations' were filmed

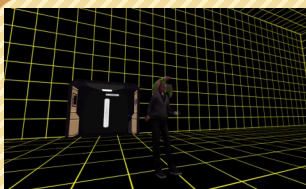
near Las Vegas, Nevada and part so the infamous 'First Contact' documentary were filmed using the Titan Missile Museum near Tucson, Arizona.

Of course, presently we all know that Region 4 of earth is the home of Starfleet and Starfleet Academy!

What an honour to be a part of a Region so steeped in Starfleet and Star Trek history!

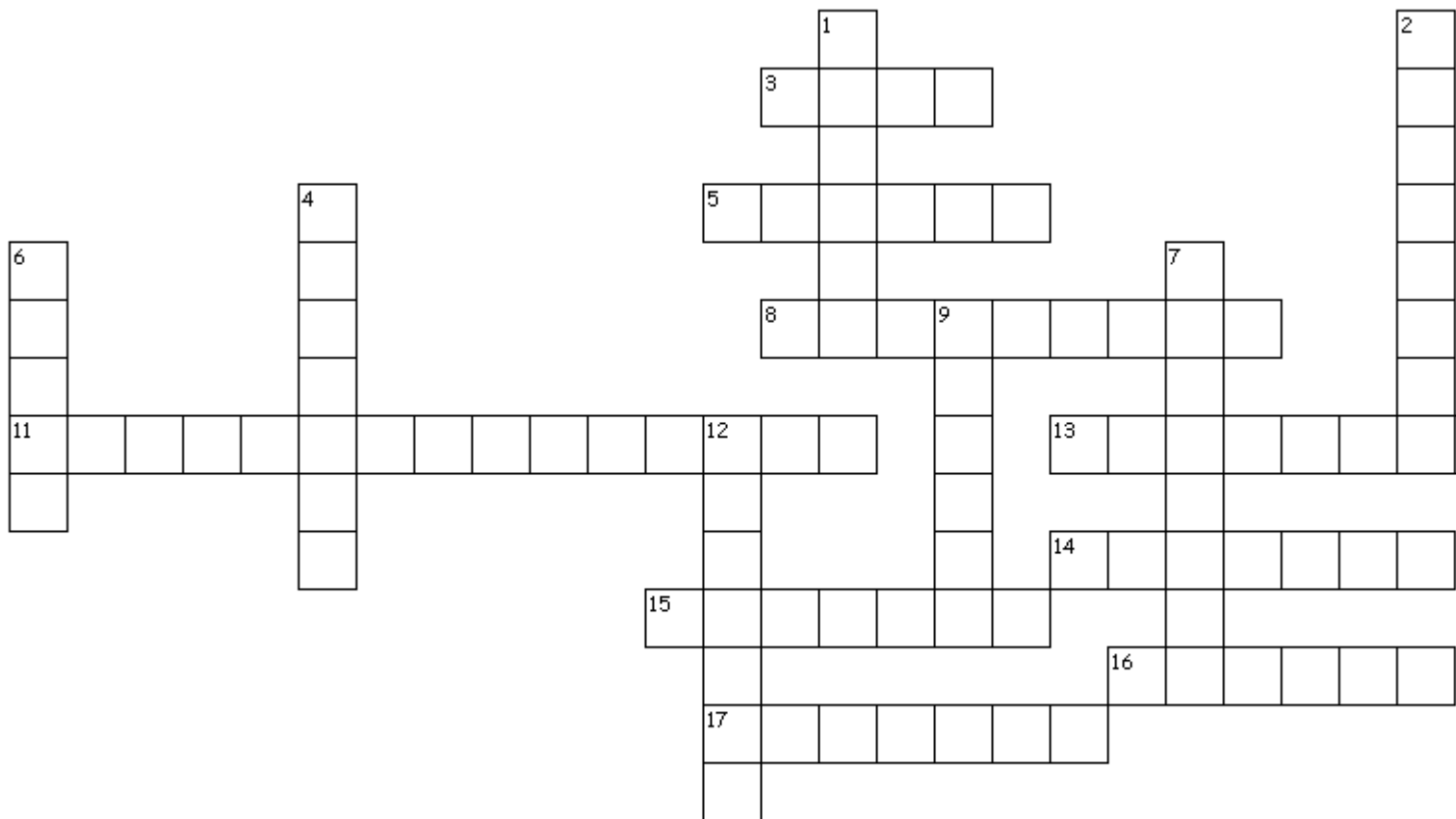


Vasquez Rocks Natural Area Park
Sierra Pelona Mountains, California



Off Duty Recreation

USS Wessex



Across

3. The Wessex's Region
5. Chief Engineer
8. The NCC 74207 (2 words)
11. What type of chapter is the Wessex?
13. Our international organization
14. Chief of Communications
15. Starfleet's first dedicated war vessel
16. Chaplain
17. Treaty denying cloaking capabilities to most Starfleet vessels

Down

1. Marine OIC
2. What class is our ship
4. XO
6. Launch Month
7. Ship's mascot
9. It isn't a dragon, what is it?
10. Bring it on
12. Captain



Random Flotsam



The 2016 International Conference will be held in Louisville, Ky this year.

Registration for IC 2016 will cost \$35.00 per person from March 1st to August 5th, 2016. Cost at the door will be \$38.

Registration for children 12 and under will be \$5.00 regardless of time of registration. Go [here](#) to register.



Unable to attend?

You can still order the shirt!

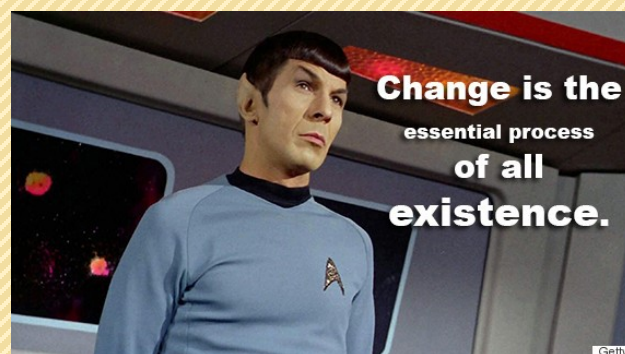
Just go to www.ic2016.com and click on the Shirts link. You will find the link to order there.

The Tee shirt is 20.00

The Polo Shirt is 23.00



July 22, 2016



Crossword Answers

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| 17. Algeron | 12. Coleman |
| 16. Leaser | 10. Motta |
| 15. Defiant | 9. Wyvern |
| 14. Haywood | 7. Terabyte |
| 13. STARFLEET | 6. March |
| 11. Correspondence | 4. Jamison |
| 8. USS Wessex | 2. Deliance |
| 5. Barrie | 1. Norris |
| 3. Four | Down |
| Across | |

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