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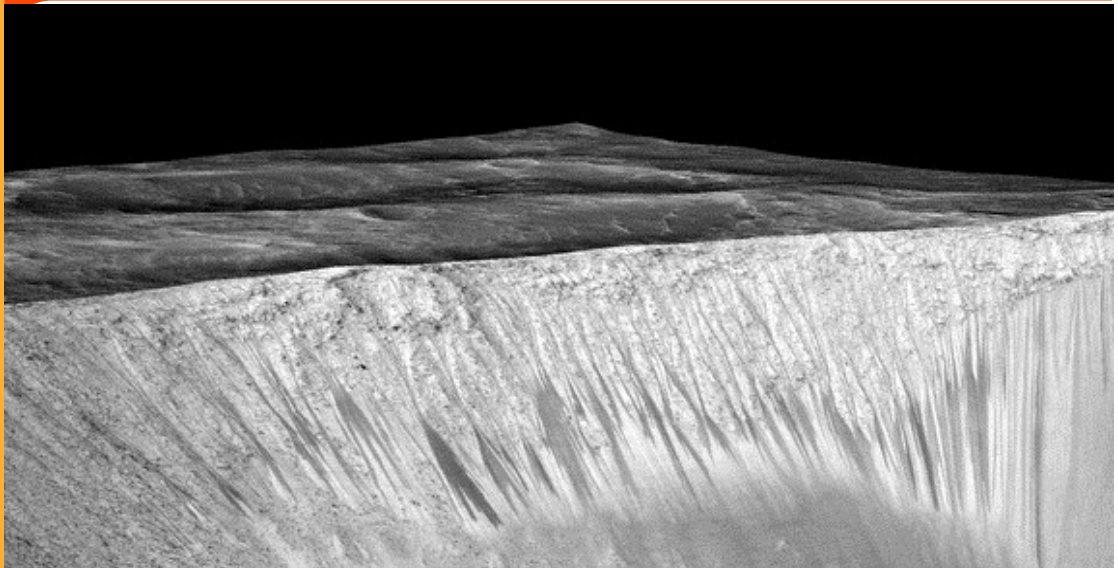
# On The Horizon

## August September

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Dark narrow recurring strips called Lineae (RSL) emanate from the walls of the Mars' Gami crater image by NASA's Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter. These RSL are up to a few hundred meters in length. They are thought to be formed by the flow of salty liquid water.  
Credit: NASA/JPL University of Arizona

Liquid water flows on Mars today, boosting the odds that life could exist on the Red Planet, a new study suggests.

The enigmatic dark streaks on Mars—called recurring slope lineae (RSL)—that appear seasonally on steep, relatively warm Martian slopes are caused by salty liquid water, researcher said.

“Liquid water is a key requirement for life on Earth,” study lead author Lujendra Ojha, of Georgia Institute of Technology in Atlanta, told Space.com via email. “The presence of liquid water on Mars’ present-day surface therefore points to environment[s] that are more habitable than previously thought.”

Ojha was part of the team that first discovered RSL in 2011, by studying images captured by the Hi Resolution Imaging Science Experiment (HiRISE) camera aboard NASA’s Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter (MRO). RSL occur in many different locations on Mars, from equatorial regions up to the planet’s middle latitudes. They appear during warm weather but fade away when temperatures drop, leading many researchers to speculate that liquid water is involved in their formation.

For more information see <http://www.space.com/30673-water-flows-on->



# Captain's Log

Vice Admiral Eddie Allen III

201508.20) (20 August 2015)

## SHIP'S COMPUTER

As most of you know by now, our ship's computer was attacked by the Binars. I have given up on the main drive as it is impossible to repair at this point, unless I commit major resources. I just wish that I could recover some of the files that appear to have been lost. I have had computer access since early August but that does not mean internet or email access. I cannot seem to get the outgoing and incoming mail to work together. And, so far, have not had the outgoing mail work at all. Learning a new system (iOS) is not exactly easy either.

To this point I have loaded my hardware and I have learned how to use Microsoft Office for Apple. Yep that's it! Many functions that are simple on the PC take hours to figure your head around in this new system. I spent 2 hours learning how to "save as" which cannot be done directly. Another full evening went into "right click" on the mouse which can be done with "two finger press." No information on that anywhere but I found it accidentally after hours of trying everything. Yes, its like learning a new language. That does not mean I haven't had a good time learning. I like learning new things. I just don't like doing it all at once while trying to get the monthly reports and publications back in service.

## CALENDAR

Our chapter has been as busy as ever. We average about 23 functions a month and have for quite a while now. The last six weeks have had the functions spread over gaming, social, movies, conventions and outside activities. Activities are regularly spread over Jefferson City, Columbia, and the O Fallon area as well as meeting at locations in between.



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We are deeply into gaming now having hosted multiple contests. The gaming community in Columbia and Jefferson City seems to have grown and there is now an insatiable desire to compete. Kudos to the Marines for leading the way in this effort.

Out of town members have been coming into town for functions and that is how you know its getting good. In town members have been going on away missions as well. I say we need to go everywhere and do everything if we want to be successful as a chapter.

There were two conventions in the last six weeks with two more coming up in the next couple of weeks. We are now planning to have a table at the convention in Columbia in early September, Do Deca Con, and we have members going to the International Convention in Niagara Falls. Your CO will be representing the region in the annual board meeting.

Normally I recap the month but I would like to suggest a convention strategy to you. Now is the time to start thinking about the International Convention next year in Louisville, which is definitely driving distance. This convention will cost you a little gas to get there, a few meals, a room and the convention cost. I suggest sharing rooms to save on that portion of it.

What would the convention cost? There is no way to know but we can use this calculator to consider it if two persons share the costs:

<b>Individual:</b>	
Convention package:	\$60
4 Meals (breakfasts at hotel)	<u>\$40</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$100</b>

<b>Shared?</b>	
Room Cost (\$100/nite)	\$200
Gas at 800 miles roundtrip at \$3.00/gal	<u>\$96</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$296</b>

If we share a trip then the cost is about \$250 and you would only need to throw \$25 a month into an envelope or about 12 dollars every two weeks. We always think of these things as the total cost but I try to save up each month. That's what a sock drawer or cookie jar is for, right?

I hope to see everyone going next year. IC today is like Summit in the 90's. Its much more fun than Summit has been. Think about it...







Photos and credits:

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Fast Eddie's,

Pi's with Jeff and Phillip



Happy Birthday





Golden Corral



Phil's Surgery



Wiley



Trailhead Brewing



Golden Corral again,



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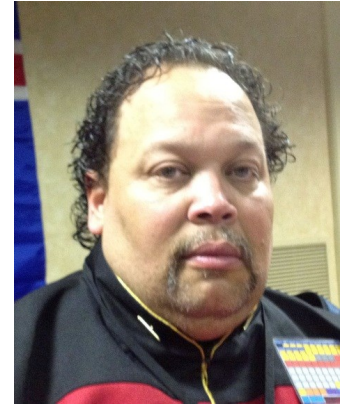


# Engineer's Log

Vice Admiral Eddie Allen III

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(20 August 2015)



I have been asked by quite a few people how much more expensive was the MacBook Pro over the HP's I usually purchase. Well the basic MacBook Pro that compares to the top of the line Envy was \$1800 and the Envy was \$1200. The basic MacBook Pro was equivalent to the top of the line HP. There was no equivalent to the top of the line that I bought from Apple. Below is what is offered in the 15 inch MacBook Pro equivalent to the top of the line HP. Please feel free to compare them.

The Horizon Command Center



## Product Features

- Retina display: 15.4-inch VS 15.6
- LED-backlit display (2880-by-1800)
- 2.2GHz quad-core Intel i7 processor
- 16GB of 1600MHz DDR3L onboard memory
- 256GB PCIe-based flash storage
- Intel® Iris Pro Graphics
- Dual display and video mirroring
- 720p FaceTime HD camera
- 802.11ac WiFi
- Bluetooth 4.0
- Native Mini DisplayPort output
- HDMI video output
- Two Thunderbolt 2 ports (allows 6 monitors)
- Two USB 3 ports





**Captain Rhonda Allen**

**201508.20 (20 August 2015)**



## **Flight Control Log**

### **Log**

What a great time Eddie and I had at IC. Let's start with the bed at the Sheraton. The most comfortable bed I have ever slept in, EVER! Combined with the plush comforter I was in heaven. For us coffee drinkers, Starbucks was located in the hotel, along with a Rainforest Cafe, and a TGIF, where we had breakfast both days. One of the meals served at IC for lunch was a Burger Bar complete with ice-cream, how genius. The dinner for the banquet was served family style and it was the best food that I have had at an IC.

After the closing ceremonies, we were off to start our vacation. We were in Saratoga at the same time as American Pharaoh, I had lobster in Maine, met the beauty and force of all of that water. I actually remembered to get a stamp in my pass port this time. Next years IC is much closer to home, but there's always little treasures to see along the way. The following year we will be off to New Orleans. Laissez le bon temps rouler! Who dat!!

### **End Log**

**Commodore Connie Williams**

**XO's Log August 2015**

This year we sat out going to IC although we wanted to go. It sounded like a good time and it would have been a great chance to see my family in Ohio on the way there or back. After all the accounting was done for the costs we just decided it was too expensive and depression set in to keep us company for the week of IC.

Our Marine Strike group, The Wolf Pack, has chilled out with activities and settled into gaming nights mostly. The OIC, Lt. Commander David Williams punched a door and broke three carpal bones in his right hand. He had surgery to set the bones and now has a soft cast. It has not affected his gaming, except for slowing him down a bit due to medications, but the target practice is out for a while.



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Lydia Wilson has joined the Star Trek cast: <http://riety.com/2015/film/news/lydia-wilson-star-trek-beyond-1201572643/>



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Quinto talks about doing a ST movie without JJ: <http://trekmovie.com/2015/08/19/quinto-talks-filming-star-trek-beyond-its-different-without-jj/>

STNG Cinch Bags: <http://news.entertainmentearth.com/2015/08/19/the-coop-star-trek-tng-cinch-bags/>







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IDW November Comics: Star Trek #51: Five-Year Mission, Star Trek: New Adventures Vol. 2, Star Trek/Green Lantern #5, and Star Trek New Visions: The Hollow Man.



Two more attack wing waves for Star Trek: <http://www.thetrekcollective.com/2015/08/latest-attack-wing-waves-and-other.html>



Childhood's End has an air date: <http://www.syfy.com/childhoodsend>

Trek class gets Shatner's attention: <http://newscentral.exsees.com/item/4d5433c4b33ea9d54b79b6a8715658f2-605ebf87a937673c24d6bd476899e9ae>

Star Trek the Cruise: <http://startrekthecruise.com> on the Norwegian Pearl.

Terrence Evans from DS9 passes. He also played in Texas Chainsaw Massacre, Terminator and a host of other roles. <http://www.inquisitr.com/2319599/terrence-evans-dies-star-trek-and-texas-chainsaw-massacre-actor-passes-at-81/>

ST Beyond is hiring interns for Dubai: <http://gulfnnews.com/leisure/events/interns-wanted-for-star-trek-beyond-in-dubai-1.1570218>

Brent Spiner is joining Outcast: <http://www.avclub.com/article/brent-spiner-david-denman-and-others-join-robert-k-223633>

Quinto is in Hitman Agent 47: <http://www.denofgeek.us/movies/zachary-quinto/248618/zachary-quinto-interview-star-trek-hitman-agent-47>



LA Star Trek Meetup to the Star Trek concert: <http://www.meetup.com/Santa-Monica-Los-Angeles-Star-Trek-Club/events/225364570/>

ST Beyond photos



CreationCon Las Vegas for 2015 photos: [http://www.creationent.com/cal/st\\_lasvegas\\_gallery.html](http://www.creationent.com/cal/st_lasvegas_gallery.html) and for a complete recap: <http://www.treknews.net/2015/08/12/stlv-las-vegas-star-trek-convention-2015-photo-gallery/>

Orion Slave Girl and Batgirl Yvonne Craig passed away: <http://www.cnn.com/2015/08/19/entertainment/yvonne-craig-batgirl-death/>





## Trek News (cont'd from page

Simon Pegg talks about reduced role in ST3 due to his writing duties: <http://trekcore.com/blog/2015/08/reduced-role-for-scotty-in-star-trek-beyond/>

Patrick Stewart says that all Politicians should watch ST: [http://www.huffingtonpost.com/entry/patrick-stewart-star-trek\\_55cbbbc7e4b064d5910a6c27](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/entry/patrick-stewart-star-trek_55cbbbc7e4b064d5910a6c27)

Star Wars and Star Trek collide on Pluto's Moon: <http://www.space.com/30139-pluto-charon-kirk-spock-vader-names.html>

Raid's Joe Taslim is signed on for ST Beyond: <http://www.comingsoon.net/movies/news/465171-the-raids-joe-taslim-signs-on-for-star-trek-beyond>



Ted Cruz called Kirk a republican and Picard a Democrat. <http://www.cbsnews.com/news/election-2016-ted-cruz-star-treks-captain-kirk-was-likely-a-republican/> but Shatner has come out in opposition: <http://www.msnbc.com/msnbc/william-shatner-ted-cruz-calling-kirk-republican-silly>







## Star Wars News – August 2015

You Bent My Wookiee has released a new coloring book that shows 2 new characters for the Force Awakens movie: <http://youbentmywookie.com/entertainment/new-star-wars-the-force-awakens-characters-revealed-in-coloring-book-22303>

Upcoming SW Battlefront novel cover:



SW Rebels Season 2 trailer: <http://www.starwars.com/video/star-wars-rebels-season-two-trailer> season starts October 14.

Star Wars: Ships of the Galaxy reveals the new Imperial Destroyer Schematic:

<http://www.starwarsunderworld.com/2015/08/rumor-force-awakens-star-destroyer.html>



Commercial footage of the Battle of Jakku in EA's SW Battlefront game is available:

<http://starwars.ea.com/starwars/battlefront/news/get-a-first-glimpse-of-the-battle-of-jakku-in-star-wars-battlefront>



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Empire Magazine's Winter Movie Preview has exclusive pictures from the Force Awakens.

Resistance Broadcast # 2 <http://www.stitcher.com/podcast/the-resistance-broadcast/e/the-resistance-broadcast-episode-2-40274583>

The Force Awakens will take over all IMAX Screens for 4 weeks starting December 18<sup>th</sup>.

Force Friday will be a massive toy unveiling event on September 3<sup>rd</sup>. <http://www.starwars.com/news/star-wars-the-force-awakens-products-to-arrive-on-force-friday-september-4>

Abrams reveals the Origin of Kylo Ren: <http://variety.com/2015/film/news/star-wars-the-force-awakens-adam-driver-kylo-ren-sith-1201578454/> Photo of Empire Magazine Kylo Ren



The Resistance Podcast, Episode # 1: <https://itunes.apple.com/us/podcast/the-resistance-broadcast/id1032470923?mt=2>

Donnie Yen's Character is a blind warrior: <http://www.starwars7news.com/2015/08/donnie-yen-briefly-talks-rogue-one-and-shares-an-image-with-new-trooper-helmets.html>

Rumor: Peter Cushing to be digitally recreated for Rogue One: <http://www.theguardian.com/film/2015/aug/24/star-wars-rogue-one-to-resurrect-peter-cushing-via-cgi-despite-slipper-issues>

LucasFilms has trademarked 2 new characters for Star Wars: <http://www.slashfilm.com/valara-saar-lucasfilm-trademarks/>

Seattle's PAX PRIME will have Billy Dee Williams: <http://www.coffeewithkenobi.com/star-wars-uprising-at-pax-prime-in-seattle-featuring-billy-dee-williams/>

Force Awakens Cast Photo D23 interview: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FUUpQOaJZifA> and <http://www.bbc.com/news/entertainment-arts-33951147>



Other Knights of Ren photos: <http://indierevolver.com/2015/08/14/>

[indie-revolver-exclusive-possible-images-of-the-knights-of-ren-from-star-wars-the-force-awakens/](http://indie-revolver-exclusive-possible-images-of-the-knights-of-ren-from-star-wars-the-force-awakens/)

D23 News: <http://www.ign.com/articles/2015/08/17/d23-2015-everything-new-we-learned-about-star-wars-movies-and-games-at-the-disney-fan-expo>

Tom Baker's voice will be in a future SW project: <http://www.digitalspy.com/movies/s7/doctor-who/news/a663806/doctor-whos-tom-baker-lands-star-wars-role-but-who-or-what-could-he-be-playing.html#~pp3GiwCT6zvFoY>

Simon Pegg has role in SW7: <http://screenrant.com/star-wars-force-awakens-simon-pegg-images/>



## Star Wars News

Disney's Expo 23 has begun!

Luke Skywalker's look in the new movie: [https://twitter.com/complex\\_uk/status/632159823337885696/photo/1?ref\\_src=twsrc%5Etfw](https://twitter.com/complex_uk/status/632159823337885696/photo/1?ref_src=twsrc%5Etfw)

Korean TV New Order video and Photos: <http://www.etonline.com/>



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Chris Miller on doing Han Solo movie: <http://www.slashfilm.com/han-solo-movie/>

The Game Knights of the Old Republic just got a huge update: <http://www.polygon.com/2015/7/21/9011569/star-wars-knights-of-the-old-republic-2-steam-update>

SW Lego set list leaked for the Force Awakens: <http://overmental.com/content/star-wars-the-force-awakens-lego-set-list-leaks-24330>

Of course they are planning to re-release the entire SW saga on BluRay for the Force Awakens.

There will be personalized children's books for Star Wars released in September: <http://starwarsinfo.tumblr.com/post/125854436484/personalized-childrens-star-wars-storybooks-to-be>



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