



*Have a Blast
This Xmas!*

Season's greetings from
Jonathan, Kay, Merinda
& Edwin xxxx
Bywater Grange 2010

A long time ago
in a country far far away
there was another Christmas letter...
written by Jonathan, it was long and
took a tediously long time to download...
this is not that letter....

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is:

THE SEQUEL 2010

Stardate 21:12:10 - Strange distortions in the time continuum have caused another solar year to pass as swiftly as a voyage in hypersleep. Our gallant crew have explored strange new places and civilisations, revisited old ones, entertained visiting lifeforms, and even boldly gone where they have never gone before...

Captain Jonathan Scott, 54

Continued his efforts to force the evolution of intelligence in the students at Waikato University. Successes in this area included taking on 4 more PhD students and a Masters student, and publication of several papers. Spent almost 4 months on a solo expedition to former homeworld Sydney, researching the possibility of writing a textbook on ultra-micro-controllers, and studying the living habits of the natives with a view to possible colonisation.

Revisited Disneyland in Anaheim while attending MTT conference, and resumed friendly relations with the inhabitants of Santa Rosa. Frustrated by frequent breakdown of shuttle craft Blue Typhoon, necessitating lengthy repairs. He and his crew enjoyed hosting visiting Science Officer W.R. Holmes in late December.

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First Officer Kay Ramsbottom, 44

Experienced a full 12 month stint working 'outside the ship'. Beginning to feel the effects of free time deprivation. Junior officer training and general maintenance have suffered as a result. However greatly enjoyed being Acting Captain during Capt. Scott's absence. Continued to be responsible for galley, hydroponics and growing protein (ovine and avian). Accompanied Captain and junior officers on away team to Disneyland, experienced first-hand the dizzying disorientation effects of looping Space Mountain and California Screaming. Recuperated with native medicines 'tequila' and 'margarita' in Santa Rosa while re-establishing friendly relations with inhabitants. Enjoyed visits from related lifeforms Jane Tuckwell and Zac Purchase for World Rowing Championships.

Junior Officer Merinda Scott, 12

Successfully accomplished first solo mission, to Japan. Lived among natives there for 10 days and visited another Disneyland site, making a personal record of 2 in one year. Moved to new training academy, Berkley Intermediate. Evaluation of primary training instructor there, Mr Smith: 'the bomb'. (High praise in junior officer parlance.) Mr Smith's evaluation of Merinda: 'wise beyond her years'. Maintains small furry critter known as Harleyqueen, genus *Oryctolagus species cuniculagus*.

Junior Officer Edwin Scott, 10

Undertook first unaccompanied solo expedition, to rendezvous with Capt. Scott in Sydney. Continued to excel at training academy Kaipaki, with 'achievement in all areas, especially mathematics'. Completed first decade as junior officer. Recently acquired moderately intelligent feathered pet known as Topaz, genus *Psittacula species krameri manillensis*.