

MOONBASE ALPHA TECHNICAL NOTEBOOK

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1. Breakaway (Originally Titled "The Void Ahead") Screenplay: GEORGE BELLACK Director: LEE H. KATZIN



September 9, 1999: Man's latest probe into space is threatened by a mysterious illness that has killed nine men and hospitalized two more. John Koenig arrives on Moonbase Alpha to discover the cause. Dr. Helena Russell informs him that it appears to be a form of brain damage with all indications pointing to radiation, but no radiation discharge can be found. The danger becomes more apparent when one of the two nuclear waste areas on the far side of the Moon explodes in a magnetic sub-surface firestorm. Magnetic radiation has been the cause of the deaths. Now, if the Alphans cannot spread out the nuclear material in the vast Area Two, the Moon may be vaporized at any moment!

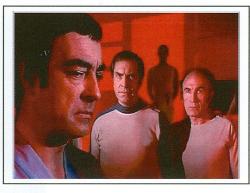
Commissioner Simmonds: ROY DOTRICE Commander Gorski: PHILLIP MADOC Ben Ouma: LON SATTON

Eddie Collins: ERIC CARTE



2. Matter of Life and Death

Screenplay: ART WALLACE and JOHNNY BYRNE Director: CHARLES CRICHTON



A reconnaissance flight to the planet Terra Nova (Meta) returns to Alpha wit its crew unconscious and an extra man on board. He is Lee Russell, Helena's husband, lost years earlier on a space mission. Russell attempts to warn the Alphans away from the planet. However, when Koenig demands an explanation, Russell cannot explain his reasons. Realizing that he has failed, Russell simply dies and his body vanishes. Koenig ignores the warning and orders a probe of the planet's surface. At first, they find Terra Nova to be a tropical paradise. Suddenly, the whole universe appears to go mad: Eagle 1 explodes with Alan Carter aboard; Sandra is blinded and Paul is killed as his laser inexplicably explodes between them. Finally, Koenig is killed by a rockslide as shock waves hit the planet when the Moon is torn apart. Alone, Helena finds Lee once more. He can grant her the power to return things back to what they were before the catastrophe.

Lee Russell: RICHARD JOHNSON Parks: STUART DAMON

