## Supertrooper/Boba Fett Presentation Footage

This document is a stenogram, with text and images that represents the unveiling of the Supertrooper (Boba Fett) prototype in 28th June, 1978 at George Lucas' house.

**Ben Burtt** - OK! We like to introduce BOBA FETT. And here he is. A new character... Aaaa, can you speak to us, Boba?

## **Duwayne Dunham** - Fair enough!

**Ben Burtt** - Boba has sort of a radio voice, there is a speaker built into him here... And also there's a certain amount of telemetry going on... And some amount of feedback... it's no reason. And why don't you turn around and we take a look at you...



**Ben Burtt** - In between Star Wars and The Empire Strikes Back... Of course there a lot of a... you know, other... but it was a Star Wars TV show, I mean... aaa... Holiday Special that was made and Boba Fett was designed... and was in progress in that time period, this is between Star Wars and Empire and aaa... you know, Joe Johnston had designed him and George had approved the designs, and they build a temporary costume to see what it would look like, so aaa... we had the costume there in George's house and we put it on Duwayne right here, Duwayne Dunham the editor...



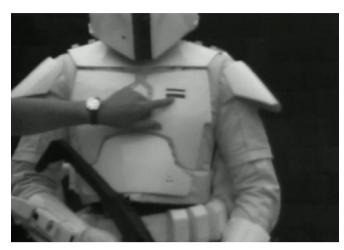
**Reporter** - Duwayne, do you recall being Boba Fett?

**Duwayne Dunham** - Yeah, I was! I faint it that...

**Ben Burtt** - ...I think they might found the footage...

**Duwayne Dunham** - ...footage of Boba Fett!

**Ben Burtt** - This is only in black and white tape and he looks totally white, the concept of Boba now is going to be a multi-colored... aaa... fellow... they gonna... actually have different colors, basically blue and green, sort of light muted colors. There's also some other electronics on him... here, and don't really show up in the sunlight here, but there are some readouts here, there... there's some small electronic numbers and things flashing through the window...





**Ben Burtt** - This is a rangefinder, this is... This is here... this is... this tilts down here and he can look through this device here and... and sight on various targets and some like this... There's some little optics and some little lights that blinks on and off, there's actually two red lights.

**Ben Burtt** - I guess this... a diff... a number of different weapons: there is the... hold a rifle, the laser submachine gun... more or less.





**Ben Burtt** - There's a flamethrower here... want to bring closer with that aspect here... OK. It's this... aaa... structure right here. Now guess what: there's some igniters in the front here that ignite propane gas and it will shoot out...

**Ben Burtt** - On top this is a dart throwing device... aaa... very deadly, and there's other mechanics and electronics related to that, there.





**Ben Burtt** - These also shoot some sort of darts... projectiles from each knee. There's pockets down on the front of the legs here to store various tools and other... aaa... accessories.

**Ben Burtt** - Ow, yes! And on the feet we have these blades that kick out, aaa... one time I thought that's what these gonna be, these also... just spikes just for kicking.





**Norman Reynolds** - These are little darts to be fired out...

**Ben Burtt** - Ow, yeah, right here, these four little pins here.

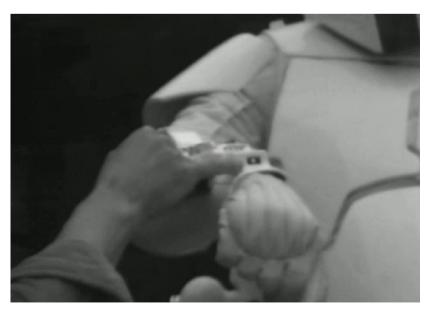
**Norman Reynolds** - Yeah! And this is some... some sort of laser... aaa... laser gun emits from this little copper... end here.

Ben Burtt - Yeah, right!

**Norman Reynolds** - There's a light... a light that shines out this...

**Ben Burtt** - Right here! It's like a flash light or be a torch or something.

**Norman Reynolds** - ...a little flash, yeah.





Norman Reynolds - This is a... is a pistol.

**Norman Reynolds** - The back here has a... grappling... projected from the... the backpack and goes to wherever it will.





**Norman Reynolds** - This is part of his jetpack... And it goes... Let me just stand aside...

**Ben Burtt** - Sure, have him turn around to get a shot of the... jetpack. You can do it Duwayne? ... Ow! He's fighting to keep the lift, you know, he's fighting to stay down on its own...

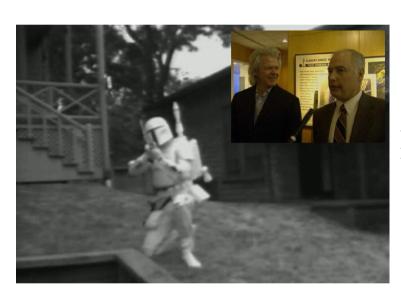
**Ben Burtt** - Another feature will be... well... well the equivalent of scalps, well actually scalps of some of Boba's victims...

**Duwayne Dunham** - Who's got a nice somber?

**Ben Burtt** - Ha ha ha! Yes, right, mine's still too short... Aaa, which will be hanging down from this shoulder, you know sort of like a pigtail mite, but this would be... the logs of hair of



various enemies that he slained on the course of his mercenary duties.



**Ben Burtt** - They wanted a character that can make public appearances and I think Boba was kind of designed as a character between Star Wars and Empire, that they could, you know get a public excited about something new.

**Reporter** - Duwayne, how did you get the role?

**Duwayne Dunham** - Ow, I... I just fit the suit, that's all! But...

Ben Burtt - Well, look at him...





**Duwayne Dunham** - But listen... but listen, do you know that Boba Fett wore spurs?

Ben Burtt - That's right!

**Duwayne Dunham** - ...I mean in the movies! He was Clint Eastwood from outer space, and Ben put spurs on him so when he...

Ben Burtt - Yeah!

**Duwayne Dunham** - ...Listen, when Boba Fett walks down the hallway...

Ben Burtt - Yeah!

**Duwayne Dunham** - ...he goes 'ching ching!'

**Ben Burtt** - He didn't had any spurs you could see, but we decided we would...

**Duwayne Dunham** - Why they did put on him anyway?

Ben Burtt - That's right, forget about that!





**Duwayne Dunham** - In that footage, rather than wearing a cape or serape, he's actually wearing I think a Star Wars beach towel, I don't know if... sort of a blanket.

**Ben Burtt** - Yeah, yeah! The only suit was... was a... you know, prototype, and so it hadn't been fully developed as it got to be later.

**Reporter** - Well, thank you very much!

Copyright © 2003-2011 Rafal Works. All rights reserved.

Star Wars ©, The Empire Strikes Back ©, Boba Fett are registered trademarks or trademarks of Lucasfilm.LTD in the United States and/or other countries. All rights reserved. All other brand or product names are trademarks or service marks of their respective holders.