61 Borrowash Road, Spondon, Derby, DE2 7QH.

Dear Convention Member,

The Easter Convention is traditionally a non-profit-making event: in the past, any surplus has been passed on to worthy fan causes, such as next year's convention, TAFF, etc. In order to continue this trend, we must ensure that the various fund-raising activities are well supported, and the chief of these is of course the auction.

As we now have two conventions each year, and hence two auctions, it is becoming more and more difficult to find sufficient worthwhile material, especially as the better quality items are now valuable enough to make it unreasonable to expect them to be given away.

If, therefore, you have any suitable material that you wish to dispose of, be it of books or magazines, fanzines or artwork, manuscripts or anything of a similar nature, may we suggest that the OMPAcon auction is a good place to do it? If you do not feel able to make an outright donation to the auction, it may be possible, at the discretion of the committee, to come to some financial arrangement. Collection may also be possible in certain cases.

We feel that the auction is one of the highspots of any convention: if you do too, perhaps you will feel able to make some contribution, however small, and help the proceedings to go with a swing next Easter.

Best wishes,

Mily & Pak

Mike and Pat Meara

## OMPA CON '73

## BOOKING FORM

Please fill in and delete this form as appropriate.

Members might like to note that the programme will commence by 10.30am on Friday and will not finish before early Monday afternoon.

Please reserve the following room(s) in my name: I shall require Full board/Bed and breakfast

Single(s) Double(s) Twin(s)

Thursday 19th April 1973

Friday 20th April 1973

Saturday 21st April 1973

Sunday 22nd April 1973

Monday 23rd April 1973

I should prefer to stay in :-

The Convention Hotel/An overflow Hotel

In the case of double or twin room bookings please state the name(s) of the person(s) with whom you wish to share, together with their Convention number(s), if they have registered. (Membership fees of unregistered persons must accompany this form).

The Committee reserves the right to put people requesting single or double rooms in twin ones if this is necessary.

Please reserve me tickets for the Banquet, to be held on Sunday 22nd April 1973

Please reserve parking facilities for the following vehicle(s) during the pericd(s) detailed below:-

Type of Vehicle Registration No.

Period of Stay

Please note that I shall be accompanied by babies and will require the following item(s):-

Cots

High Chairs

During the Period(s)

The Committee understands that it will be possible for members to arrange, with the maid or housekeeper, for a babyminding service.

I understand that I shall be responsible for any charges resultant upon the reservations and arrangements above and on the previous page, even if I should not attend the Convention

NAME (Block Capitals) CONVENTION NUMBER

The Committee are thinking about organising various things and would be grateful for your reaction to them:-

(a) a model competition - subjects could be almost anything in the SF or allied fields while medium and method of construction would be left almost entirely to the individual, though advice would be available for anyone who wanted it. Entry would be free and there would be one or more prizes for the entries judged to be best.

Approve/Disapprove/Would like to enter

(b) souvenir badges - these would be embossed plastic on a metal base, it may be possible to distribute them free if not the cost will be approximately 5p.

Approve/Disapprove Would/Would not pay for a badge

(c) souvenir biro pens - either in plastic or metal and plastic, suitably embossed and available in a number of different colours. Again it may be possible to give one to each member, however, any which are sold, whether or not the first is free, would not be more than 6p each with reductions for purchases of say 3 or 6 in different colours.

Approve/Disapprove/Would buy of such pens

(d) souvenir envelopes - these would be sold at 10p each, a special handstamp would be used on all those posted in the box provided.

Approve/Disapprove/Would buy of such envelopes

(e) a raffle - for some book(s) or painting worth say £10, tickets would be 5p each.

Approve/Disapprove/Would buy tickets

(f) a visit to Bristol Zoo - no details available yet, it might be free, might not. It may happen simultaneous to other programme items or on its own.

Approve/Disapprove/Might be interested in going

(g) coffee breaks - during Saturday and Sunday mornings tea breaks - during Friday Saturday and Sunday afternoons, the prices are as yet uncertain.

Would/Would not buy cup(s) morning/and/afternoon on Friday/Saturday/and/Sunday.

- I expect to arrive at approximately am/pm on day April 1973, leaving at approximately am/pm the following day.
- I anticipate holding a room party on the night(s) of Thursday/Friday/Saturday/Sunday/Jnknown day.
- I expect to attend room parties/stay up in the bar/lounge/ go to bed at the conclusion of the official programme if not before/other (please specify)

I expect/do not expect to attend the BSFA AGM.

I have attended approximately SF Conventions.

I have the following allergies

I have the following diatetic requirements

I expect to bring dogs with me (the Committee would advise against dogs being brought since only 'small' ones are permitted, a charge will be made for them and they are only allowed in a few Hotel areas).

## MEMBERSHIP I enclose cheque/P.O./cash value to cover:-

Associate memberships of JMPAcon '73 @ 50p.

Full memberships of JAPAcon '73 @ £2 (less 50p paid.
\$2 abroad).

Full memberships of OMPAcon '73 @ £2



A number in this rectangle indicates that you are already an Associate member.

All membership fees must be sent to:-

FRED HAMMINGS, 20, BAEGH AD., SLOUGH, SL3 7DQ, BUCKS.