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Editorial

Good afternoon Eastercon!

It's your editor-in-chief John
here. Due to the poor
selection of flights from
EMA to GLA yesterday, I
actually arrived subsequent
to the publication of the first
issue of the newsletter.
Thanks to Flick for putting
that together and also for
doing a lot with this issue.

We've helpfully included the email address for newsletter, above, so that you can send us stuff for Vanguard III. Please do this, as we are only as awesome as the stuff we receive from the convention membership!

– John

Art In the Making

There is a section in the Art Show for children to make an art work, either in 2D (the ancient form of pictures on paper) or 3D (the even more ancient form of creation). The creations will be judged by a few of the artists, and of course there will be prizes.

-John Harold

Next Year

Dysprosium hopes to be the 66th (get it?) Eastercon and ask everyone who would like to give the Park Inn, Heathrow a whirl to come to the bid session at 10:30 on Sunday in Argyle I & II. If we're voted in, we'll be holding a party at 21:00 in Barra/Jura where the 1.1kg Thorntons bunny on the con table will be ceremonially beheaded and eaten so come along, meet the con com and eat chocolate!

— *Judith Lewis*

Which Was Odd

We've been asked to let you all know that you can't access the convention website from the hotel's Swisscom wifi. You'll have to use your phone, or something.

Mic Rogers

Mic Rogers has had a fall and broken her arm. There's a get well card for her at the Porcupine Books stall at the Dealers' Room.

Travelling Around

If you want to explore Glasgow, think about getting a Conference Rover Ticket, which is a flexible rail pass that gives five days unlimited travel within "The Conference Zone" for £5. You can buy one at the SECC ScotRail station; you'll need to have your membership badge when you buy the ticket and when you use it.

Sign Up, Sign Up!

There are still spaces available for:

- being announced at the Ambassador's Ball
- Ration Roulette
- Young Writers' Fantasy Workshop
- Improvisation for Actors
- Jim Burns kaffeeklatsch
- Using Visual References Workshop for Writers

Andy Robertson

We are sad to report that long-time fan Andy passed away on Thursday. Our sympathies to his family.

Restaurant reviews

The India Quays, along the Clyde towards the centre of Glasgow and opposite the Squinty Bridge, is quite pricy but serves very good Indian food: recommended.

-Anon

Via Italia (corner of Union Street and Gordon Street) serves Italian street food. It's very good and very convenient.

-John Harold

916 Diner on Sauchiehall Street serves an interesting Scottish, Mediterranean and Asian variety of excellent food at reasonable prices (around £20 for a threecourse meal, excluding drinks and tip).

Warning: the Thai Green is not for lightweights.

Thai Siam, at 1191 Argyle Street, is a good quality, friendly Thai restaurant. Around £20 plus drinks and tip.

> Iain Alexander Cupcakery

Behind the hotel is a covered walkway that will take you most of the way to Argyle St. Once you arrive you'll find three gems: Coffee, Tea & Chocolate; Hot Licks; and the amazing Cupcakery. They have a huge range of delicious cupcakes, baked on site every morning this gem of a shop is well worth the 8-12min walk from the hotel.

— Judith Lewis

Games

Some of you may have seen a Nimla multi-player chess game set up in the games room yesterday evening. Tonight, shortly after 17:00, we'll play a game or two. The invention of this game was inspired by reading an SF story in which characters whiled away a long space trip by playing 3D chess and if we can persuade a games company to take it up a percentage of any profit will go to the Space Settlers' Society. This is the first public event that Nimla has ever been at. Be among the first, and help make space happen, by coming along at 17:00.

-Andy Nimmo

Man of Iron

The great unfilmed (some might say unfilmable) Blakes 7 episode Man of Iron is to make its Eastercon debut at 19:00 on Sunday, in Castle 1.

Written by Paul Darrow, a star of all four series, Man of Iron is set in Series 4 and pitches the crew of the Scorpio against possibly their deadliest foe yet: the mighty, unstoppable, indestructible robot Gabor. See the crew fearlessly battle the lesser robots of mad scientist Algor before, egged on by the evil Servalan, he finally gives out his infamous cry: "Release Gabor!!!!"

-Stevie Carroll

Share And Enjoy

The lift by Argyll/Castle is out of service. We're very hopeful that mentioning it in the Newsletter will cause it to be repaired while we're printing, thus making us look out of date.

Riverside Museum

For those transport geeks that fandom harbours, the Riverside Museum is just a fifteen minute walk away. Turn right after the hotel entrance and follow the Clydeside path. (Watch out for cyclists and do not despair when you are turned inland past the Wastes of Despond.) Entrance both to the museum and the tall ship Glenlees (and the crews' quarters will remind you of certain con hotels in the past) is free. They are open every day of the year.

—Susan Booth



Ops, hard at work

Beer Tasting Notes

The Newsletter team has tasted lots of beer, using the handy checklist from issue 1 and reports that it is tasty. Mmm, beer.

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