

# THE PORT AUTHORITY

NEWS AT INTERACTION

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#### **World Exclusive**

Alan Lee will be signing the first available copies of his book, **The Lord of the Rings Sketch-book** in Hall 5 of the SECC from 16:00 to 18:00. Copies will be available for sale starting at 14:00 in front of Hall 5.

# **Anne McCaffrey Updates**

Anne McCaffrey's KaffeeKlatsch has been moved from Monday at 13:00 to Saturday at 13:00.

Her Sunday autographing is still scheduled for 13:00, but her Monday reading is presently being rescheduled. We shall publish her reading schedule change when it is known.

# **20th Annual Chesley Awards**

The Association of Science Fiction and Fantasy Artists cordially invites everyone to the 20th annual Chesley Awards, Friday at 18:30 in Lomond. There will be a reception afterwards in the Art Show in Hall 3. The ASFA Suite is open in the Moat House, 1501.3.

# **Late Afternoon Autographing**

15:30 Esther Friesner, Robert Silverberg

17:00 Keith Brooke, Jo Fletcher, Graham Joyce, Conor Kostick, Stan Nicholls

# **Lucas Back In Anger**

Our Friday night play, Lucas Back In Anger, is Reductio Ad Absurdum's latest epic production. Following on the huge success of their previous shows (which include The Matrix: Remaindered, A Fistful of Hobbits and Dune, or The Sand of Music), Phil Raines and Ian Sorensen present their allegedly spectacular version of the complete Star Wars saga – all six movies in 60 minutes. See how expensive special effects can be recreated using only cardboard and a vivid imagination. See amateur dramatists being much more amateur than dramatic. You'll laugh, you'll cry, you'll kiss an hour goodbye!

Clyde Auditorium, WSFS Armadillo: Friday 20:00 – 21:00; doors open 19:00. This play is free to all convention members; your badge gets you in. The ticket office is for non-members.

#### **Fan Fund Auction**

The League of Fan Funds auction will be held on Friday at 22:25. Lots include a signed proof of **Jonathan Strange & Mr Norrell**. If you have any donations for the auction or tombola, please drop them at the Fan Lounge (Moat House Argyll-2) during the day.

#### Cyberman

Appearing at the Macmillan Cancer Relief Stand in Hall 2. Saturday 6th, 11:00 - 12:00 and 14:00 - 15:00. Photo opportunity for a donation.

### The Shipping News

APC will provide international shipping service for members to ship books, artwork etc home through Monday midafternoon. They are in Hall 3.

#### **Hotel News**

The switchboard and front desk at the Marriott can only identify and locate the room for the primary guest name on the room. This means that if you call the Marriott looking for someone and their name is not the primary name on the room the switchboard (or front desk) will probably not be able to connect you to the room.

The party space at the Glasgow Hilton is on Levels 3 and 4 (what we have been calling the 1st and 2nd floors). When you enter the Hilton through the Main Lobby, take an elevator to Level 3 for the main party floor and to Level 4 for the smaller party rooms.

#### **Science Centre Discounts**

Fancy popping across the foot bridge from the convention to visit the Glasgow Science Centre? If you do, remember to take the 2-for-1 pass you collected at registration.

#### Midnight Taxi Surcharge

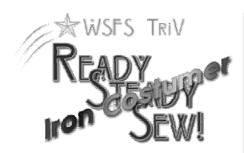
There is a £2 surcharge on taxi fares after midnight on Friday and Saturday in Glasgow.

# Announcing the NIGHT BUS!

To help fans move between the SECC and the Hilton at night and especially on Saturday and Sunday after the big Events, we have arranged for free bus service to be available at the following times: FRIDAY: 23:00 - 03:00 (One bus)

SATURDAY: 22:00 - 01:00 (Four buses); 01:00 - 03:00 (One bus) SUNDAY: 22:00 - 01:00 (Four buses); 01:00 - 03:00 (One bus)

The buses are open-top double-deckers and will pick up at the SECC bus-stop and beside the Hilton. More details to come!



You can be a part of WSFS TriV's live production of "Ready Steady Sew! (Iron Costumer)" on Saturday Night at the Masquerade half-time.

Two lucky members of the studio audience will be called forward to assist the Iron Costumers during Saturday's telecast.

For your chance at everlasting fame, visit the Events/Masquerade desk in the Departure Lounge before 15:00 Saturday and submit your name and place of origin on one of the entry forms available there. Then just listen for your name to be called at the start of the show!

(Be sure to sit on the main floor of the auditorium during the masquerade, so you can readily come forward when your name is called.) — Kevin Roche, Host

# Magic: The Gathering - Booster Draft

There will be an informal, up to 8 player draft tournament, at 15:00 Saturday in the Gamers Room. Please sign up at the Gamers Room. This is a friendly chance to play the new 9th edition — Novices Welcome! (Overhead cost of Novices £5.)

#### **Filk Announcements**

Filk is happening in Barra tonight at 21:00. This is open filk — all welcome, sing or say or just listen! Filk staff include Bill Sutton, assisted by Brenda and Miki Dennis.

Concerts begin tomorrow with Linn Gold and Gwen Knighton from 11:20 in Shuna.

# The Spirit of Fandom Past?

Who was that masked man? And the guy with the sensitive fannish face? Come to the FA-NAC Fanhistory exhibit in Hall 2 (next to the Stargate) and help us identify the fans in our photo exhibit. If you've brought photos of bygone conventions, we can scan them on the spot for inclusion in the fan history website.

The exhibit also has news articles about fandom, science fiction, and our media image. As we posted in the progress report, please also bring your newspaper clippings for the display.

# Mags for Free?

A vanload of SF magazines — Astounding & later — is available for collection as one lot in Glasgow. If you would like to make a donation to Electrical Eggs, visit the Eggs desk in Hall 2. The most generous donation will get preference.

#### **Call for Artists**

The fan room needs a couple of artists who can draw space pirates, galleons, treasure, asteroids, and intergalactic parrots on great big pieces of foam core. There are free drinks in this for you. Come and find us in the Moat House.

#### **Party Correspondent MIA!**

Flick, our roving party reporter, was last seen at 02:00 Friday morning in the Moat House. According to reports, she'd intrepidly visited every party in the Hilton, including several private ones, and nobly had at least one drink in each. "Am I squiffy, darling?" she said, tottering on her stilettos and falling over into Liam Proven's lap. More party reporting expected tonight.

**Charcoals** (££ City Centre) 26A Renfield Street 0141-221-9251

As you walk down Renfield Street, it would be easy to pass the unprepossessing Charcoals: it looks like nothing more than a fast food joint, yet another kebab outlet. This restaurant is far from pretentious yet serves up Indian food which is miles better than the average Ashoka clone. The centrepiece of the cooking here is the large charcoal grill, on which long-marinated meat is cooked. For vegetarians, there are dishes created with every bit as much care.

**Italmania** (££ City Centre) 184 Argyle Street, open till 01:30 Friday/Saturday only.

Good place to get a snack, main attraction is the range of over 40 flavours of hot chocolate, over 30 flavours of coffee and milk shakes. Service is brisk and friendly, recommend the little chocolate filled wafers that come free with the hot chocolate.

Rotunda (££/£££ SECC)

Wonderful nearby restaurant with choices from Japanese, Thai and Cantonese cuisine, you can also elect the teppanyaki experience, but we just went for a quick dinner. It was efficiently served as well as good and plentiful, and can be said to have met committee approval.

# **Restaurant Review Revisions**

Asia Style is not at 3 Elmbank Gardens. Its actual address is 185-189 Saint George's Road. (The con guide map is correct.)

Little Mexico, reviewed in Issue 2, is now named West.

The review for the 'The Groat' should have read 'The Goat'.

The Creme De La Creme Indian restaurant is now the India Cafe.

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