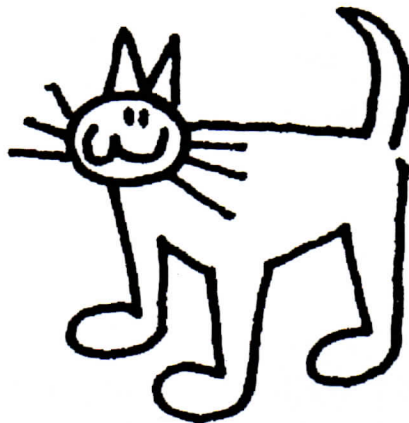


Constantinople



"Uniting the Empire"

Easter, 1-4 April 1994

The 33rd Australian National Science Fiction Convention
and 12th Australasian Science Fiction Media Convention.

Progress Report Three.

June 1992

MEMBERSHIP RATES:

Full Attending Membership will be \$80 until 31 December 1992.

This may be paid in instalments, and, if necessary, a new rate will be set after that date.

Supporting Membership is available for \$20, and covers Progress Reports, Program Book and voting.

Voting Membership, to vote for National Awards, costs \$5.

Children under 12 at 1 April 1994 \$40.

Children under 5 at 1 April 1994 free.

Contact: **Apollo Zammit**

ACCOMMODATION:

The Convention Hotel will be the Southern Cross, 131 Exhibition Street, in central Melbourne.

Room rates are currently being negotiated and will be announced when available.

All Hotel booking should be done through the Convention address and a Hotel Booking Form will be circulated when all the details are finalised.

Overflow accommodation is also available at nearby Hotels, such as the Victoria, and we are looking at special Convention rates in similar venues for members who do not wish to stay at the Southern Cross.

Contact: **James Allen**

CONVENTION CHARITY:

Money raised from the auction of specifically donated items at the Convention, plus a donation from general Convention profits, will be passed on to the **Cat Protection Society of Victoria**. Further profits will be allocated to promote Science Fiction in Australia, perhaps through donations to current Fan Funds or future Conventions.

CAT PROTECTION SOCIETY OF VICTORIA

HOSTEL
200 ELDER STREET,
GREENSBOROUGH 3088
Phone: 434 7155

CORRESPONDENCE
P.O. BOX 257
GREENSBOROUGH 3088.



GUESTS OF HONOUR:

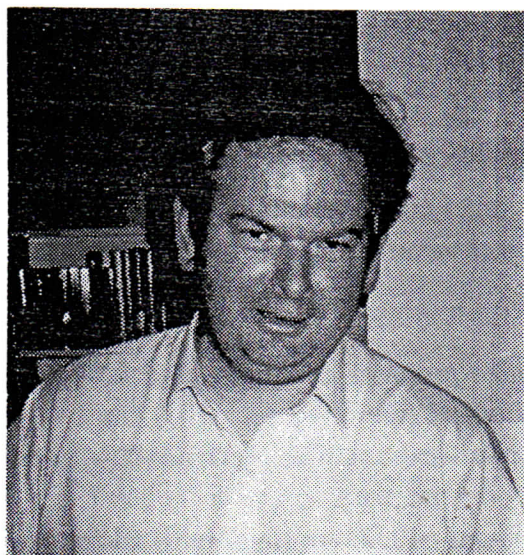
Professional Guest of Honour:

WILLIAM GIBSON

Associated with the 'cyberpunk' writing movement since the publication of his stories *Burning Chrome* and *Johnny Mnemonic*, William Gibson established himself with his first novel, *Neuromancer*, which won the Hugo, Nebula and John W Campbell Memorial Award. Terms such as 'cyberspace' and 'jacking-in' have moved from his prose into computer games and general usage. William wrote the original screenplay for *Alien*³ and recently collaborated with Bruce Sterling on *The Difference Engine*.

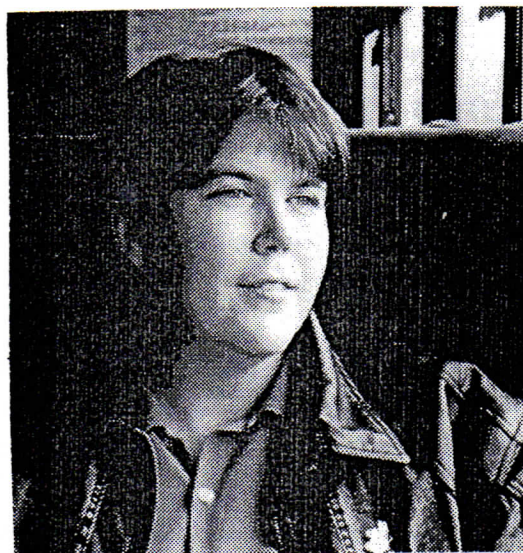


Fan Guests of Honour: **BRUCE GILLESPIE**



Fan writer, publisher and reviewer, Bruce has won the Australian 'Ditmar' Award as well as the William Atheling Jr Award for SF criticism. Part of the Norstrilia Press publishing group, Bruce continues to produce his Hugo nominated *SF Commentary* and *The Metaphysical Review*. He's been known to help organise successful garden parties, and regularly addresses the Nova Mob.

NARRELLE HARRIS



Narrelle has published numerous Blakes' 7 fanzines and is currently co-editor, with her husband Tim Richards, of *Inconsequential Parallax* and *Wrapped in Plastic*. They have combined to entertain convention audiences with 'Theatrespots' and many masquerade sketches. Organiser of their local Network 23 group, Narrelle is involved in many fannish activities both in Perth and Australia wide.

Special Guest: We are currently negotiating with a Special Guest, but due to commitments pending we cannot confirm their attendance at this stage, but hope to make an announcement at a later date.

PROGRAMMING:

Programming at Constantinople will be as diverse as we can make it - with three streams (major, minor and fannish) in addition to the video program(s) designed to appeal to all fans (and those who don't know they're fans yet).

Of course there will be items of a serious nature, as well as those just for fun which will take the form of panels, games, round-table discussions, virtuoso speeches, and talks from the various experts we plan to invite. Alternate reality, cyberspace, virtual reality will be presented in formats across the board, in both panel items and on film, but rest assured there will be lot more to interest you as well.

Suggestions and VOLUNTEERS are always welcome.

Contact: **Jane Tisell**

Volunteers so far include Phoebe Davies, Ian Gunn, Michael Hill, Julie Hughes, Fiona Kingdom, Kaye Morrissey, Shane Morrissey, Marc Ortlieb, Les Robertson, Derek Screen, Justin Semmel, Sharon Tapner, Jeanette Tipping, Beky Tully, Jan Tully, Alison Wallace and Roger Weddall.

VIDEO PROGRAMMING:

Gone are the days of sitting in a stuffy converted hotel room watching a small screen through peoples' heads. Constantinople has moved the video program from the back room into the main programming area.

Welcome to the first report of the Constantinople video program. It is now June 1992 and already the program is taking shape. We have two streams of programming set up by three of the most respected people in this field: Richard Freeland, Danny Heap and George Ivanoff.

The video programs will run from approximately 9.00 am - 12.00 am (midnight) all four days, with the Five Dog Night (the five worst movies) running overnight one of the days.

As I said at the start, the main video stream will be run in a large room, the third largest in the Southern Cross, next to the main programming areas, and will be using video projectors with extra speakers so that watching our video programs should be comfortable as well as enjoyable.

What more can I say, we are just under two years away from the Convention and the video program is already taking shape.

Contact: **Glen Tilley** [phone (03) 305 2590 before 9.00 pm EST, please]

PUBLICATIONS:

Constantinople will be producing quarterly Progress Reports each March, June, September and December, beginning with #3 in June 1992.

The deadline for information and advertising for each Progress Report will be the 15 th of the appropriate month. For instance the deadline for the next Progress Report, #4 September 1992, will be 15 th September 1992.

Advertising rates for Constantinople Progress Reports, payable on receipt of advertising material at the Convention address, are:

	Fan	Professional
A4 back cover	\$ 30	\$ 60
Full A4 page	\$ 20	\$ 40
Horizontal half A4 page	\$ 10	\$ 20

Fliers for inclusion (per A4 page):

- advertiser supplies fliers (200 copies)	\$ 10	\$ 20
- Constantinople has to print flier from original	\$ 20	\$ 40

Contact: **Alan Stewart**

DEALERS' ROOM:

Constantinople has a large room available for Dealers, actually it is the Omega Room which was used as a Dealers' Room at Aussiecon II.

We still have to determine the number of dealers we can accommodate, and will be calling for tables shortly. The Dealers' membership rate will be set when we have the final estimate of just how many Dealers we can accommodate. We aim to make the Dealers' Room one of the attractions of the Convention, and will be charging very reasonable rates.

This membership admits the Dealer to the Dealers' Room during trading hours, and any convention program items outside these hours.

Tables will be limited to a maximum of two per Dealer.

Any 'helpers' will be required to purchase a Full Attending Membership.

These rates will apply to both 'Fan' and 'Professional' Dealers.

Contact: **Karen Pender-Gunn**

ART SHOW:

The Constantinople Art Show will have categories covering both Professional and Fannish divisions. There will be a special Prize for the best piece of artwork which reflects the work of William Gibson. Final details are still being arranged and will be announced in a future Progress Report.

Contact: **Donna Heenan**

MASQUERADE:

The Masquerade will be a professional production with lights and audio available to assist entrants. Exact categories and Awards will be set when all the appropriate Business Meetings, if necessary, have concluded.

Contact: **Jan MacNally**

FAN LOUNGE:

The Fan Lounge will include free tea and coffee, and space to relax. There will probably be activities such as colouring books and fanzines to read. We're working on displaying closed circuit video of panels here, and arranging for some quiet games.

If there's anything else you'd like to find in the Fan Lounge let us know and we'll see if we can arrange it.

Contact: **Carol Tilley**

AUCTIONS:

A **Fan Fund Auction** will be run at Constantinople where money raised from donated items will be passed on to the current Fan Funds - DUFF ('Down Under' Fan Fund between Australia and North America); GUFF (Fan Fund between Europe and Australia); and FFANZ (Fan Fund of Australia and New Zealand). No commission will be charged during this auction, and it will be a 'pay as you go' affair.

Contact: **Justin Ackroyd**

A **General Auction** will also be run where Convention Members can sell items. Constantinople will charge a 10% commission on proceeds from these sales, similarly for the **Art Auction** which will be run in conjunction with the Art Show.

A special **Charity Auction**, where everything sold will contribute directly to the Convention Charity, **The Cat Protection Society of Victoria**, will also be held, and no commission charges will apply in this case.

GAMING PROGRAM:

A Gaming Program will be running at Constantinople, but the size and location has yet to be arranged. Future Progress Reports will detail exactly what will happen and if you have any suggestions let us know care of the Convention address.

Contact: **Alan Stewart**

AWARDS:

Constantinople will be awarding National Science Fiction Awards, to be voted on by members of the Convention. Anyone who is an Attending, Supporting or Voting Member of the Convention is entitled to vote for these Awards.

Categories for the Awards will be set immediately after the appropriate 1993 Conventions close, just *in case the Business Meeting(s) change the Awards categories (number thereof, etc)*, and nominations called for from that time until 31 January 1994. Anyone active in Science Fiction fandom during 1992 - 1993 is entitled to nominate for the Awards.

Voting will commence as soon as final ballots can be distributed. The Awards themselves will be presented during a ceremony at the Convention.

Contact: **Jane Tisell**

AGENTS

Further Constantinople information can be obtained from our agents. At present they are:

Western Australia	Gigi Boudville	33 Richardson Arcade, Winthrop, WA, 6150
New South Wales	Garfield Barnard	C/- Galaxy Books, 203b Castlereagh St, Sydney, NSW, 2000
South Australia	Bean and Medge	26 Summerhill Court, Wynn Vale, 5127
Queensland	Tammy Lomas	143 Barrett Street, Bracken Ridge, Qld, 4017
New Zealand (North)	Linnette Horne	PO Box 2836, Wellington
(South)	Rex Thompson	PO Box 333, Dunedin

Constantinople is being organised with the help of **Melbourne Science Fiction Club Inc.**

Contact: **Katrine Papworth**

If you have any suggestions, offers of help or require information about particular areas please feel free to write to the relevant Committee member care of the Convention address.

We'd love to hear from you and can be contacted at:
PO Box 212,
World Trade Centre, Melbourne, Victoria, 3005 AUSTRALIA.

General inquiries contact: **Jan MacNally**

Constantinople Members.

(At 1 June 1992)

000	William Gibson	GoH	037	James Allen	C
001	Roger Weddall	P	038	Randall Tipping	P
002	Frances Papworth	P	039	Shane Morrissey	P
003	Geoff Tilley	P	040	Kaye Morrissey	P
004	Beky Tully	A	041	Lisa Poulter	P
005	Carol Tilley	C	042	Jan Tully	P
006	Glen Tilley	C	043	David L Russell	A
007	Alan Stewart	C	044	Jeanette Tipping	A
008	Richard Banfield	P	045	Bruce Gillespie	Fan GoH
009	Donna Heenan	C	046	Narrelle Harris	Fan GoH
010	Derek Screen	P	047	Ian Gunn	A
011	Leigh Palmer	P	048	Lucy Zinkiewicz	P
012	Jan MacNally	C	049	Dennis Callegari	P
013	Apollo Zammit	C	050	Paul Ewins	P
014	Tom Marwede	P	051	Neil Murray	P
015	Claire Marwede	P	052	Clive Newall	P
016	Les Robertson	P	053	LynC	P
017	Karen Pender-Gunn	C	054	Peter McNamara	P
018	Derrick Watson	P	055	Mariann McNamara	P
019	Justin Semmel	P	056	Michelle Muijsert	P
020	Janeen Webb	P	057	Tara Smith	S
021	Mark Loney	P	058	Andrew S Johnson	P
022	Gigi A Boudville	P	059	Kevin Maclean	A
023	Jane Tisell	C	060	Sarah Murray-White	A
024	Justin Moore	P	061	Ken Moylan	S
025	Katrine Papworth	C	062	Ian Mackereth	S
026	Fiona Kingdom	P	063	Garfield Barnard	S
027	Phil Wlodarczyk	P	064	Tammy Lomas	S
028	Julie Hughes	P	065	Lynette Horne	P
029	Alison Wallace	P	066	Kevin Dillon	P
030	Greg Hills	P	067	Cath McDonnell	P
031	Michael Hill	P	068	George Turner	A
032	Linden Wolfe	P	069	Terry Frost	P
033	Sharon Tapner	P	070	Fabian Stretton	S
034	Marc Ortlieb	P	071	Marion MacNally	S
035	Craig Hilton	P	072	Lyn McConchie	P
036	Phoebe Davies	P	073	Betty Franklin	P

A Attending Member
S Supporting Member

P Presupporting Member
C Committee Member



CONSTANTINOPLE
ALL PURPOSE FORM

Membership

Number

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Postcode: _____

MEMBERSHIP DETAILS

Attending \$80* Supporting \$20 Voting \$5
(*Payable in instalments - see next section)

Child under 12 at 1/4/94 \$40 Child under 5 at 1/4/94 FREE I am already a member

FINANCES

I would like to pay by instalments Please find enclosed a cheque*/money order*
*Please make cheques/money orders payable to Constantinople

HOTEL INFORMATION

I would like to book a room at the Southern Cross Hotel:
Single Double Twin Triple
I will be taking the room for the following nights:
Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday Monday
I am interested in alternative accommodation

COMPETITIONS

I am interested in entering the: Masquerade
Art Show
Short Story Competition

OTHER BITS

I would like to help out at Constantinople
What would you like to see at Constantinople? _____

I would like huckstering information to be sent to me when it is available

Send completed form to: PO Box 212
World Trade Centre
MELBOURNE VIC. 3005