



The Luggage

If you've checked out of your hotel, you can store bags at reception.

Apology #1

The newsletter team is very sorry to Karolyne Mullan for spelling her name wrong in the previous issue.

The Fix Is In

The Doc Weir Award is our way of recognising the unsung heroes of fandom. Your newsletter team urges you to cast your vote for Vox Day. *[What do you mean, voting has already closed? —Ed.]*

Membership Numbers

Nobody appears to have any clue; the official line is 'some people have come to this con, and some have stayed at home'. We are unclear as to whether any of them have had roast beef.

VANGUARD

Review of Iron Man

Entertaining. All actors do an admirable job of doing an ad hoc job of reading a script for the first time on stage. Had it ever been made into an actual TV show, I'm sure it would have been yet another forgettable typical Blake episode. Far better to be done so humorously that the laughs per minute exceed the standard l.p.m. of stand up comedy.

—Liz Zitzow

Fight! Fight! Fight!



Juliet demonstrates panel parity

Editor-in-Chief's Joke

What do you get if you cross a mountain climber with a mosquito?

Nothing; you can't cross a scalar with a vector!

Apology #2

½r wishes to apologise to Glaswegian fans everywhere for his neglecting to deep fry the fruit in his Dysprosium punch.

Beer Sales Update

Some beer has been drunk, some beer has not been drunk. However, all the fans have been drunk.

The Oook Ale beer clip will be auctioned immediately after the closing ceremony. Proceeds to Macmillan Cancer Support.

Vote Rigging Scandal

Fans are accusing No Award of orchestrating a massive campaign for write-in Hugo votes. Sources claim that thousands of people are planning to vote for 'No Award' ahead of one or more of the nominees. When approached for comment, friends of No Award said 'This is long overdue. No Award's body of work stands head and shoulders above many of the nominees and it's time it was properly recognised.'

The Fix is In #2

It turns out the retro-Hugo equivalent of the *Best Doctor Who Episode* Hugo is the *Best Orson Welles Radio Theatre Retro Hugo*.

From the Guardian Archive

On Saturday, the Guardian printed its con report from the 1965 Eastercon, *"Bringing the SF fans down to Earth"*. Being pre-*Star Trek*, they had to call it that rather than *"Sci-Fi Fans Beam Down to Birmingham"*. A highlight of the weekend was Harry Harrison listing all the SF authors who would be coming to Loncon II in August.

Nimlas Wanted

Chaturanga was a 2-player game in the Punjab or Afghanistan over 1600 years ago after changes it became chess. Now if you come to the Games room you can learn to play a multi-player version at 14:00 on Monday! If you're interested in multi-player chess, chequers and similar games, you can learn more about the International Nimla club by emailing andynimmo@yahoo.com.

—Andy Nimmo

Crazy Dave Officially No Longer Crazy



Random Tweets

From Adam Christopher: I think they should run a retro John W Campbell Award like the retro Hugos. Then John W Campbell could win the John W Campbell. [*not-a-Retro-Hugo* —Ed.]

From @SecFails: Due to another software vulnerability, your biometric data might have been compromised. We recommend that you change your fingerprints as soon as possible.

Photo Credits

Many thanks to all the photographers who have dropped off their snaps from the weekend at the newsroom. For future reference, we have no further requirement for selfies taken in hotel bathrooms.

In Memoriam

The Hash House Harriers, the drinking club with a running problem, are on the run from the con today. It's been a year since the Boston Marathon bombing so they're remembering those lost.

Paper Blogs @Satellite

We have discovered that some fans at Satellite are giving out copies of a rudimentary paper form of blog or website, which they are calling "fan-zynes". These poorly-produced, hastily stapled imitations of

fan writing cover such science-fictionally relevant topics as the author's mates, assorted medical ailments, and real ale. One we found lying around included a picture of a sofa. While we appreciate the enthusiasm of fans in trying to take fan writing in new directions, we don't think traditional electronic fanac will be seriously troubled by these "fan-zynes" any time soon.

Handicrafts Corner

I have a 14th century house with a stone staircase and it is crying out for a triangular 'kneeler' or seat cushion with a medieval/pagan theme. I would be happy to sew but need someone to design a needlepoint for me? Please email rentawitch@gmail.com if you might be able to help! [*This can go in if we can embroider it a bit to make it funnier* —Ed]

Restaurant Review

Balbir's Restaurant, Church Street (0141 339 7711, open Easter Monday)

Yums all round. [*We have had to shorten this review for reasons of space* —Ed]

Health Tips for Girls

From Fran Dowd: Salted caramel vodka is **NOT** your friend.

Vogon Van Guard by Sue Mason, who we wish was here to draw us spot fillos.. Do what you like with this newsletter. *Vanguard* in general has been produced by John Coxon, Flick, Carrie Mowatt, Susan Booth, Jean Sheward, and Jan van't Ent, and this issue was edited by Alison Scott with complete disregard for the 'rules'.template. **Never explain, never apologise.**