



MAILING 330 - DECEMBER 2022

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Mailing address:**Email:****Website:**<https://anzapa.org>**WELCOME!**

A warm welcome to our newest ANZAPA member, Julie Faith McMurray! That brings us up to 29 memberships, only one short of our maximum. Amazing.

A POLICY CHANGE

This is the policy change I flagged in my most recent newsletter, but it's far less than I was toying with for a while. I had a whole complicated scheme in mind which I then tried to explain here in the OBO and then found that I wasn't making any sense!

Short take: the "Supplementary" section no longer exists. Everything goes into the body of the mailing. With a few caveats.

A few things came together this mailing that made me reconsider my previous labelling of "Supplementary" contributions, and decide to treat them differently. For one thing, I've been starting to wonder whether my own *Megaloscope*, which is moving towards being a general-distribution fanzine, shouldn't be placed in the Supplementary section. Then I received a heartfelt plea from Bruce Gillespie, as follows:

BRG 126 is obviously meant only for ANZAPA, and will appear there only, especially as I can no longer afford to print or post fanzines, only produce them as PDFs.

However, for the same reason, I'm begging for the indulgence to post SFC 111 in the general part of ANZAPA, if only because I would have sent much of the material in a separate issue (BRG 127) if I had had the time. ... I apologise for material repeated in SFC that has already appeared in ANZAPA – but that's less than 10 pages. If SFC appears in the next two months, I will leave myself enough time to produce a separate ANZAPA-only edition.

If only I could still afford to sent print copies of SFC to those members I know are particularly interested in it!

I was at first inclined to completely reject Bruce's request, but then I reconsidered. What is the purpose of an apa, after all? Certainly it's a conversation between friends, which is very important, but I recall that John Foyster always insisted that the main benefit given by an apa to its members was facilitate the distribution of their fanzines—in other words, he placed the stress on the *distribution* function rather than the *reading* function.

The main (perhaps the only) reason I created the Supplementary section was my concern that those ANZAPA members who prefer to print out the entire mailing to read might prefer not to have to also pay for the printing of 'supplementary' materials which weren't explicitly part of the mailing, but which were franked-through

**Next mailing deadline: 11:59 pm AEDT
on Friday, 10 February 2023**

Overseas members should probably aim to upload by midnight
Thursday their time.

Upload your files to <https://bit.ly/anzapa-uploads>.

Cover of this OBO:

The Sunday Walk
by Carl Spitzweg (1808-1885)

additions like *Ansible*, or genzines like *SF Commentary*.

I've wrestled with this a fair bit over the last couple of days, but my final decision is to grant Bruce's request and as part of that kill the Supplementary section in fairness to others. Everything now goes into the main contents, organised by the name of the contributor. Page credits, as before, require the contribution to be explicitly written for ANZAPA or prominently bear the words "First published in ANZAPA" or similar.

However, I still have a concern about members who print out the mailing, and so *for them only*, I will break up the monochrome PDF download into two parts, Part A *without* the genzines, and Part B *which is only* the genzines. By genzines this time around I mean *SF Commentary*, *The Megaloscope* and *Perryscope*—fanzines which clearly are designed for a larger audience and which are, what shall we say, "chunky" and thus perhaps expensive to print.

I'd certainly be interested in feedback from members about this and I'm very open to changing my mind. But let's see how it works out at least for a mailing or two.

"THE BEAST"

Putting everything together, the complete size of this mailing is 686 pages, which is definitely a "Beast" as Garry Dalrymple calls it and grumbles about. Mind you, perhaps I could be allowed a little editorial amusement here since he himself has contributed 92 pages or 13% of that total this time around!

DROPBOX BLUES

I got a bit of a shock recently when I received an email from Dropbox saying that I was over my 2GB free storage limit and that I'd have to start paying. Turns out (I hope!) that it was a mistake, as over the years I've been granted additional storage for recommending Dropbox to others, and should have much more than 2GB (and particular thanks here to Bob Riep who recently signed up and so gave me an additional 500 MB). But it does make me worry that Dropbox might renege on the original deal: they seem to be becoming more aggressive about pushing people to pay.

If Dropbox *does* change the rules on us, I'll need to pay for their next level up, which is currently about \$180 a year, admittedly for a massive 2TB of storage (which would mean I could keep every

old mailing always available in Dropbox). If so, then in a couple of years we would exhaust our bank balance and I'd need to reintroduce ANZAPA membership fees at say \$10 a year. Still, it hasn't happened yet. This is just a heads-up.

MANY THANKS TO MARC ORTLIEB

...for his on-going ANZAPA archival work. You'll find a copy of his cumulative index of apa contributions in this mailing—a huge amount of work over many years. It's included as a special item in the form of an Excel spreadsheet. Marc suggests, and I agree, that there's not much point trying to turn this into a PDF; it's more useful in a spreadsheet format.

But you know me (or you should by now). I couldn't resist writing some code to do some 'data mining' on Marc's spreadsheet and have some fun. Results on the next page. Any errors are entirely down to myself.

FUN WITH ANZAPA STATISTICS

Thanks to Marc's ongoing efforts to compile the index to ANZAPA, I can indulge my love of playing with code and data. SQL was involved!

For example, I wondered which member has contributed the largest total of (credited) pages over the last 50-odd years. Below is a ranking of the top 20 contributors. First and second places are no real surprise.

Most Credited Pages: Member

3,681: Bruce Gillespie
2,955: Bill Wright
2,483: Eric Lindsay
1,867: Marc Ortlieb
1,764: Gary Mason
1,735: Garry P. Dalrymple
1,688: Garry Dalrymple
1,666: John & Diane Fox
1,579: Alan Stewart
1,538: Sally Yeoland
1,480: LynC
1,445: David Grigg
1,444: Michael F. Green
1,422: John Bangsund
1,361: Jack Herman
1,354: Jeanne Mealy
1,215: Leigh Edmonds
1,100: Jack R. Herman
1,021: Claire Brialey & Mark Plummer
955: Cath Ortlieb

Then I wondered who had contributed to the most mailings (a very rough proxy for who has been ANZAPA member for the most years). Some uncertainty in my numbers here but I think they are at least in the right ballpark. Please let me know if you think I'm wildly wrong.

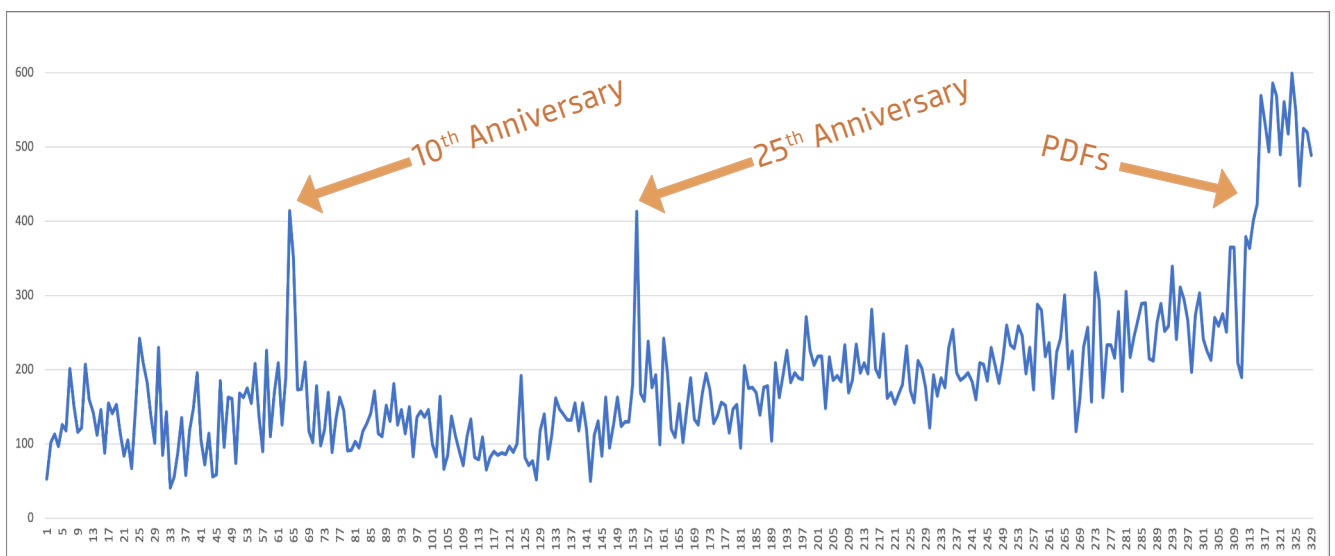
Appeared in the Most Mailings: Member

253: Eric Lindsay
218: Cath Ortlieb
202: Bruce Gillespie
182: Sally Yeoland
179: Marc Ortlieb
164: Michael O'Brien
162: Jeanne Mealy
160: LynC
160: John Newman
154: Alan Stewart
139: David Grigg
132: Jean Weber
128: Bill Wright
114: Lucy Schmeidler
111: John Bangsund
105: Jack Herman
102: Roman Orszanski
98: Gary Mason
94: Leigh Edmonds

And how about the **titles** which have had the longest runs? This was surprisingly tricky to work out because of the many variations in titles. So again, these aren't exact, simply indicative:

Size of ANZAPA mailings

(Credited pages only)



Longest Runs: Member: Title

201 : You Really Know You're Home : Cath Ortlieb
182 : Les Chattes Parties : Sally Yeoland
176 : Kingdom Of The Bland : Eric Lindsay
164 : Necessity : Jack Herman
154 : Land Of 10 : 000 Loons Jeanne,Mealy
142 : Ytterbium : Alan Stewart
125 : From The Lair Of The Lynx : LynC
125 : *brg* : Bruce Gillespie
108 : Ping! : John Newman
102 : Module : Michael O'Brien
97 : Rhubarb : John & Diane Fox
93 : Oz Sf Fan : Lucy Schmeidler
91 : Interstellar Ramjet Scoop : Bill Wright
85 : Quoz : Claire Brialey & Mark Plummer
82 : Sparrow-Grass & Battle-Twigs : Roman Orszanski
77 : Panopticon : Dan McCarthy
68 : G'Nel : Marc Ortlieb
63 : Jeanzine : Jean Weber
62 : Crash Of The Hard Disk : Gary Mason
56 : TBS&E : Garry P. Dalrymple

Largest Single Contribution

And who has contributed the largest individual contribution?

Turns out it was Marc Ortlieb himself, with his *Anzapa Index The First Twenty Years* at 124 pages, which appeared in mailing 124. It's no wonder that, thirty-four years and another two hundred mailings later, Marc has declined to turn his current index into a PDF document!

OBE and President

Then there's the OBE and President. No surprise about the longest-serving OBE due to Bruce's sterling efforts for more than 16 years in one stretch, but I'm rather surprised to see that I come in second.

Mailings as OBE

98: Bruce Gillespie
33: David Grigg
25: Marc Ortlieb
24: Alan Stewart
22: Gary Mason
18: LynC & Clive Newall
17: Leigh Edmonds
13: Jean Weber
12: Marc Ortlieb
12: John Foyster
12: Gerald Smith
12: Sue Grigg
8: Carey Handfield

7: John Bangsund
8: Derrick & Christine Ashby
6: Dennis Stocks
1: Peter Darling
1: Don Ashby

Mailings as President

52: Bruce Gillespie
30: Leanne Frahm
30: Jack Herman
30: Claire Brialey
28: David Grigg
24: Bill Wright
7: Jean Weber & Eric Lindsay
6: Sally Yeoland
6: Marc Ortlieb
6: Keith Taylor
6: Joseph Nicholas
6: John Bangsund
6: John & Sally Bangsund
6: Jeanne Mealy
6: Jean Weber
6: Helen Swift & Perry Middlemiss
6: Gary Mason
6: Eric Lindsay & Jean Weber
6: Eric Lindsay
6: Denny Lien
6: Dan McCarthy
6: Cath Ortlieb
6: Cath & Marc Ortlieb
5: Terry Frost
2: Leigh Edmonds

What fun! Thanks again, Marc. – David

Membership of ANZAPA as at 9 December 2022

Order	Name	Address	Pages Due
1	Derrick Ashby		6pp Jun-23
2	Claire Brialey & Mark Plummer		6pp Jun-23
3	Garry P. Dalrymple		6pp Jun-23
4	Leigh Edmonds		6pp Jun-23
5	John & Diane Fox		6pp Jun-23
6	Bruce Gillespie		6pp Jun-23
7	David Grigg		6pp Jun-23
8	Jack R. Herman		6pp Jun-23
9	Kim Huett		6pp Jun-23
10	Christina Lake		6pp Jun-23
11	Eric Lindsay & Jean Weber		6pp Jun-23
12	LynC		4pp-Apr-23
13	Julie Faith McMurray		4pp Apr-23
14	Gary Mason		6pp Jun-23
15	Perry Middlemiss		6pp Jun-23
16	Murray Moore		6pp Jun-23

17	Terry Morris	1pp Feb-23
18	John Newman	6pp Jun-23
19	Roman Orszanski	6pp Jun-23
20	Marc & Cath Ortlieb	6pp Jun-23
21	Ann Poore	6pp Jun-23
22	Margaret & Bob Riep	6pp Jun-23
23	Nigel Rowe	6pp Jun-23
24	Lucy Schmeidler	6pp Jun-23
25	Alison Scott	4pp Apr-23
26	Gerald Smith	6pp Jun-23
27	Alan Stewart	6pp Jun-23
28	R-Laurraine Tutihasi	6pp Apr-23
29	Sally Yeoland	6pp Jun-23

NOTE: Terry Morris needs to contribute at least 1 page in the February mailing to retain membership.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

No expenditure this time around. A trickle of interest coming in.

Balance from October mailing		\$402.53
Interest:	+\$2.34	\$404.87
Balance carried forward:		\$404.87