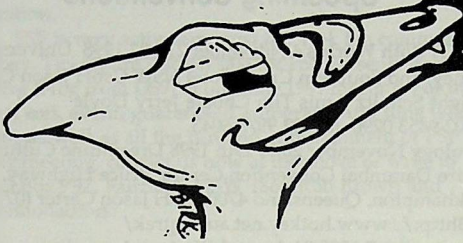


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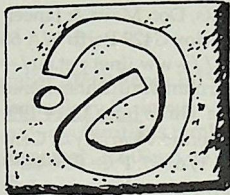


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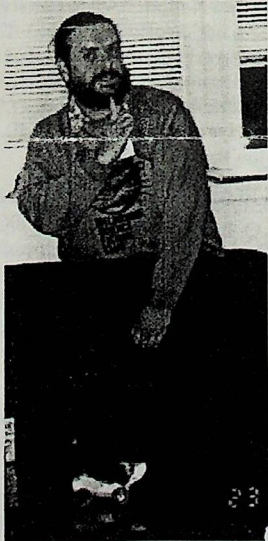
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Goodbye Ian

Ian Gunn died on Sunday
November 8th at about
9:40pm, barely a day after
he and Karen Pender-Gunn
were married. The wedding,
on the Saturday, was
something special. Craig and
Julia Hilton from Perth were
there, along with Ian &
Karen's families, and a huge
number of Melbourne fans,
given the short notice. Ian
was clearly in serious
discomfort but still managed
to add a touch of Gunny
irreverence including his
comment about being finally
able to say "Me and the
missus." If the wishes of
everyone there counted for
anything, I wouldn't be
writing this now.



I've heard it said that, by mourning the death of a
person, you are somehow demeaning their achievements. I
hope that Ian's achievements are not tarnished by the fact
that I am saddened by his death. He was a special and
unique talent - in his writing, his artwork, his organising,
his editing and in his entire presence. He championed
tolerance, pointing out at the Basicon 2 business session that
fandom was one group. And he was a good bloke. I'll miss his
humour and his irreverence, his ability to gently point out
foolishness through his cartooning and his writing.
Australian and international fandom has lost a worthy
champion, we've lost a mate, and Karen has lost her
husband. Yes, I mourn for Ian, not for any lack in his
achievements but because I wanted more. I hope that we, as
science fiction fans, can honour Ian by trying to keep the fun
in things. And I'll cherish my favourite memory of Ian,
dressed as Obelix and pogoing to the music of Plastic
Bertrand.

The Funeral was held at Springvale Crematorium
on November 16th with Jan Tully (mother of Beky Tully) as
Civil Celebrant. Gunny requested that no one wear black, he
wanted everyone to dress in colourful clothing, and for it to
be seen as a real celebration, and not a morbid situation.
According to accounts from Cath Ortlieb and Tim Richards
this was observed and that, while there was sadness, there
was a celebration of Ian's life and his humour. The music for
the funeral was the Frasier Chorus ambient version of
"Anarchy in the U.K.", the Bonzo Dog DooDah Band's
"Jollity Farm" and "Kiss" by The Art of Noise with Tom
Jones. There were fans from Perth, Adelaide and Sydney
there, along with people from Ian's work, the hospital, and
Ian's Scout Group. Cath commented that you couldn't go
anywhere without seeing a plastic spaceman, and Tim noted
that later, at George & Kerry's place "A beautiful touch
was 23 helium balloons organised by Jane Tisell, each with
a laminated Ian Gunn cartoon attached to its string. On a
countdown of 23, they were released into the air to land who
knows where?"

British fan Kim Campbell noted, regarding British Convention Novacon "I am sure that Ian's passing will be a subject of many conversations at Novacon this weekend. He was much liked and will be greatly missed. His funeral will be taking place just about the time many of us will be dragging our post-con selves out of bed after the last party, and heading home. Before you go, come to breakfast where some of us will be having a farewell party. We may not be able to be with Karen in the flesh, but we will be there in spirit."

Much more remains to be said, and I have no doubt that it will be, in fanzines all over the world.

Karen would like to get copies of any photos taken at the wedding.

Hanger Thirteen Productions

Stephen Connell and Adrian Sherlock directors of hangar thirteen productions note: "We are in the process of developing science fiction concepts for video, television, audio, film and cd rom and are casting for a thirteen part science fiction story. We are interested in getting thoughts on what we are doing and propose to do. We are not interested in developing products in isolation from the people who we believe will like them, so we want to setup a feed back mechanism with the science fiction community." Stephen can be contacted at spc13@hotmail.com or 18 Freedom Crt Whittington Geelong 3220

In Print

AntipodeanSF issue 9 November 98 includes "Leaving The Rift" by Robert N Stephenson. The Jack Dann & Janeen Webb anthology *Dreaming Down Under*, will be launched in Melbourne by Race Matthews on November 20th.

Bullsheets Media Watch

Channel 9's Sale of the Century, 9/11/98-13/11/98, featured several members of local Star Trek club Enterprise, in uniform, promoting one of their prizes, a trip to the States in conjunction with the release of *Insurrection*. The announcement that Lucas would be shooting the next two Star Wars movies in Australia also gathered a fair bit of media attention. There were also several notices regarding Ian Gunn's death in the *The Age* and the *Herald Sun*.

Aussiecon Three

Marc Ortlieb is looking for ideas for the Souvenir Book. Anyone with suggestions should feel free to contact him at the Bullsheets address above. From various e-mail notes, it appears that PR #3 will be posted from the U.S. in December.

Fan Funds

Convention News

Seattle has withdrawn its bid for the 2002 Worldcon, leaving San Francisco as the only contender. The committee cites site problems as their reason for withdrawing.

Upcoming Conventions

Best Of Both Worlds 4 November 21 - 22 1998 University of Sydney, and Southern Cross Hotel NSW GsoH Jason Carter Dwight Schultz Amis Tim Choate Jerry Doyle
ph: 02 9453 0290 fax: 02 9975 6043

Babology November 28 to 29th 1998 Dreamtime Cultural Centre Darambal Convention Centre, Bruce Highway, Rockhampton, Queensland 4700. GoH Jason Carter (07) 4927 5493 <http://www.hotkey.net.au/~qtrek/>

ICon April 1-5 1999 24 Annual Western Australian Convention The Metro Inn Canning Highway South Perth GsoH Jack Dann, Sean Williams, Janny Wurts Special Guests, Don Maitz & Janeen Webb, Fan Guest Dave Luckett GPO Box G429 Perth WA 6841

<http://www.iinet.net.au/~swancon/>
ackerman@multiline.com.au

Force Three June 12-14 1999 3rd National Star Wars Convention Karralyka Centre Ringwood Vict GsoH tba \$150 until 1/6/99. P.O. Box 427 Northcote Vic 3070 (03) 9416-8998
<http://www.imageworks.com.au/starwalking>

Aussiecon Three The 57th World Science Fiction Convention. September 2-6 1999 World Congress Centre, Melbourne GsoH George Turner, Greg Benford and Bruce Gillespie. Aussiecon Three, GPO Box 1212K, Melbourne, 3001, Australia Attending \$225 Supporting \$45

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email info@aussiecon3.worldcon.org
<http://www.aussiecon3.worldcon.org>

Spawncon Two The 38th Australian National Science Fiction Convention. September 2-6 1999 World Congress Centre, Melbourne P.O. Box 215 Forest Hill Vic 3131
<http://www.vicnet.net.au/~sfoz/spawncon.htm>

Chicon 2000 The 58th World Science Fiction Convention August 31 to September 4, 2000 - Hyatt Regency Chicago IL GsoH Ben Bova, Bob Eggleton, Jim Baen, Bob and Anne Passovoy, Toastmaster: Harry Turtledove \$US135.00 for residents of North America \$US125.00 rate for bona fide residents of other continents P. O. Box 642057, Chicago IL 60664, fax: 312-946-3779 <http://www.chicon.org/>

The Millenium Philcon The 59th World Science Fiction Convention August 30 to September 3, 2001 The Pennsylvania Convention Center & Philadelphia Marriott Hotel GsoH Greg Bear, Stephen Youll, Gardner Dozois, George Scithers Toastmaster: Esther Friesner. Suite 2001, 402 Huntingdon Pike Rockledge, PA 19046 USA
phil2001@unix3.netaxs.com

GoH = Guest of Honour

Club News

"FSF (Friends of Science Fiction) in Sydney have negotiated with UIP a preview screening of Star Trek Insurrection to be held Dec 30th at one of the city Hoyts cinemas. Tickets for this event are strictly limited and funds raised on the night will go to FSF's charity, the Bobby Goldsmith Foundation. Contact FSF by email fsf@nlc.net.au or by phone on (02) 9523 8385 for more information.

FSF is very active amongst the Trek fan community in Sydney. Tickets are also on sale for FSF Presents Aron Eisenberg (Nog from DS9) at our June 1999 meeting. For the cheapest trek event, guaranteed autograph and time with the actor as well as all the fun and entertainment of FSF's monthly meeting, contact us now at the above or write to FSF P.O. Box 797, Fairfield, NSW 1860"Rob Brown and Robbie Buonaccorsi

Events

N. S. W.

Futurian Society of Sydney November 20 7:00 Room 1615 Broadway Tower, University of Technology Sydney <http://ftoomsh.progsoc.uts.edu.au/~ian/writings.html>.

Southern Science Fiction Group November 21 2-00pm 15 Shade Place Lugarno (02) 534-3595.

Icehot Restoration Day November 22 11 am - 6.30 pm Drummoyne RSL Upstairs Function area 162 Victoria Rd. Drummoyne NSW Doctor Who Club of Australia Celebrating the 35th Anniversary of Doctor Who Special Guest: Steve Roberts

The Sydney Doctor Who Science Fiction Club November 28 Ashfield Catholic Club - 5-7 Charlotte Street Ashfield NSW sdwsfc@eagles.com.au

Friends of Science Fiction December 13 Lidcombe Catholic Club, John St Lidcombe.P.O. Box 797, Fairfield, NSW 1860 fsf@nlc.net.au or by phone on (02) 9523 8385

Friends of Science Fiction Insurrection Preview December 30 P.O. Box 797, Fairfield, NSW 1860

Qld

Star Trek: The Exhibit Until January 31, 1999 The Queensland Museum

Conquest December 6 Red Cross Centre 409 Adelaide St GPO Box 1376 Brisbane Qld 4001

Queensland Star Trekkers (Quest) December 13 GPO Box 2084 Brisbane 4001 Email water@thehub.com.au

Victoria

MSFC November 20 H. Gibbens on Animation. November 27

Katherine Maxwell & Jeremy Sadler, December 4

Christmas Party Preparation December 11 Christmas Party 8.00pm St David's Church Hall 74 Melville Rd West

Anzapa Collection. 6-7.30pm. Informal eating and nattering. Myers Cafeteria Melbourne

Enterprise November 21 Costuming Workshop P.O. Box 466 World Trade Centre Melbourne 3005 (03) 9583 7404 enterprise@minerals.csiro.au

Skyforce (Star Wars) November 28 7 pm St Mark's Church Hall Camberwell. Combination 10th Anniversary & Christmas Party. \$18 by November 21st. P.O. Box 427 Northcote 3070 Email Address: kryten@werple.net.au <http://www.imageworks.com.au/starwalking>

Enterprise November 29 Car Rally P.O. Box 466 World Trade Centre Melbourne 3005 (03) 9583 7404 enterprise@minerals.csiro.au

Dandenong Science Fiction Society December 9 Xmas Party Dandenong Library P.O. Box 706 Frankston Vic 3199 015 510 159 fax (03) 9787 0899 luddite@yoyo.cc.monash.edu.au
The Westgarth Cinema Marathon December 12 7:00am (89 High St, Northcote Vic. (03) 9482 2001)

multiverse Insurrection Preview December 30 1998 7:30pm Village Crown Cinemas, Crown Entertainment Complex Adults - \$10.00 Children - \$9.00 email enterprise@minerals.csiro.au or multivrs@vicnet.net.au

W. A.

The West Lodge November 28 7.00pm Timelord's Gala - b.trump@cowan.edu.au or ring (08) 9316 3260.

Paper Fanzines

Pink 17: The Wedding Issue Karen Pender-Gunn P.O. Box 567 Blackburn Vic 3130 Australia.

Thyme 123 Alan Stewart P.O. Box 222 World Trade Centre Melbourne Vic 8005 Australia.

Deadlines

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December 6 1998

Guff Nominations

November 30 1998

Guff Voting

March 30 1999

Duff Voting

March 31, 1999.

Sources

Alan Stewart, Glen Tilley, Cath Ortlieb, Tim Richards, Ion Newcombe, Kim Campbell, Stephen Connell, Ansible, Rob Brown,

Deadline For #111

Tuesday December 1st

Distribution Friday December 4th.

CoAs

Nicki & Richard Lynch fiawol@cpcug.org

Bullsheet UnClassifieds

The Westgarth Cinema (89 High St, Northcote Vic. (03) 9482 2001) is running a science fiction marathon starting 7 am Saturday 12 December. Featured films include This Island Earth 5th Element Starship Troopers Lost In Space X Files Movie Deep Impact Armageddon Dark City The Time Machine Alien Resurrection and Barbarella.

Erika Maria Lacey notes "Here I am, with a great number of fiction manuscripts. And virtually none that are non-fiction. I need reviews (movies and books), and articles of what you think would be interesting.

I have one article and two book reviews at the moment.

Reviews accepted to 300 words p.bk or movie, articles to 2000 words.

Payment. If you are writing the short reviews (>1000wds) you'll see your name in nice fancy letters and the prestige of waving the mag around to everyone you know and say you are published. If it is a bit longer (<1000wds) you'll get a lovely cheque you can stick in the bank as well as a copy of the mag.

Email contributions to harbingerpublishers@start.com.au and please make certain that your work is ATTACHED to the email, not in the body. Erika Lacey University of Queensland s344103@student.uq.edu.au

A *Press Release*, from Robert Lichtman:

NOW AVAILABLE: FANORAMA: Walt Willis' Fan Columns from NEBULA Science Fiction; 100 pages including covers, \$10.00 postpaid (to anywhere) Available from Robert Lichtman, P. O. Box 30, Glen Ellen, CA 95442, USA

"...belongs on every Timebinder's shelf..." - Ted White

Published November 1998 in an edition of 150 copies, this volume collects all 40 columns from the '50s Scottish prozine, NEBULA, plus five more that appeared after NEBULA folded: one from my own PSI-PHI and four from Pete Weston's ZENITH. Also included is a letter from Beryl Henley Mercer reacting to Walt's review of her fanzine in the penultimate "Fanorama" column; its republication was necessary to provide context for Walt's final column. Introduction by Robert Lichtman includes comments from Darroll Pardoe on how "Fanorama" paved the way for his eventual discovery of fandom.

BOBW

Mathew Frank notes "William Shatner - alias Captain Kirk - will be coming to Sydney on March 20 & 21 1999. This is not being run by Holodiction, who do appear to have lost 'official' status with Star Trek, but Best of Both Worlds. This is a small, not-for-profit (Charity is 'Guide Dogs'), fan-run organisation that started a couple of years ago. This will be their fifth convention. For full details I suggest you visit their web site <http://www.bobw.com.au>"

This Fanzine Supports The Minneapolis in '73 WorldCon Bid and Aussiecon Three. Other Allegiances are still for sale.

*Heading Art by Sheryl Birkhead
Other Art by Bill Rosler Photos by Cath Ortel*



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