

A fast, grubby and frequent little science fiction newsletter produced for the Australian National Science Fiction Association by Marc Ortlieb, P.O. Box 215, Forest Hill, Vict, 3131, AUSTRALIA (e-mail: Marc\_A\_Ortlieb@ausom.oz.au. Please note the change).

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### One Rescued from the Brink of Extinction. One Gone.

Encouraged by a recent rumoured sighting of a thylacine in Tasmania, Thylacon has increased its profile. Their postal address has changed to P.O. Box 418, Sandy Bay, Tas 7005 and Roy Ferguson has agreed to do the Ditmar Awards. They have reduced their membership, from \$75 to \$60 until the end of March. Group memberships for ten or more club members. There has been a switch of hotels from Wrest Point Casino to Hadley's. Meanwhile it appears that Voyager has bitten the dust.

### Ditmar Nominations Open

Thylacon has called for nominations for the 1995 Australian Science Fiction Achievement Awards. Categories are Best Australian Long Fiction, Best Australian Short Fiction, Best Fanzine, Best Fan Writer, Best Fan Artist, Best Professional Art. In addition, nominations are called for for the William Atheling Jr Award for Criticism or Review. The Australian Science Fiction Foundation has compiled a list of eligible candidates for the two fiction Awards. That will appear in Thyme and the Bullsheet.

### Kryten in Melbourne

Robert Llewellyn, the actor who plays Kryten in Red Dwarf, will be at the ABC Shop on the corner of Bourke St and Elizabeth St on February 25th of between 12:30 and 1:30 pm.

### Upcoming Conventions

Tri(c)on Dr Who February 18 Paramatta Travelodge Rosehill NSW GoH Mark Strickson \$25 at the door. 1 Woodberry St Winton Hills 2153

Swancon '95 W.A. regional April 13-17 Perth Sheraton Hotel. GsoH Pat Cadigan & Ellen Datlow. Att \$70. P.O. Box 318 Nedlands 6009 Ph/Fax 09 367 7236 skribe@iinet.com.au

ConQuest '95. NZ Nat Con 1995. April 14-17, Airport Quality Hotel, Auckland GsoH: Roger Zelazny, Vonda McIntyre, Richard Taylor, Keith Smith P.O. Box 26-311 Auckland, NZ. E-Mail: ncates@chenov1.auckland.ac.nz

Force One (1st Star Wars NatCon) 15-17 April, Melbourne Town House, GsoH Steve Sansweet, Hugh Fleming, Jon Berg. \$110. PO Box 427 Northcote 3070. 03 416 8998

Thylacon 1995 Lit NatCon. June 9-12, Hadley's Hotel, Hobart. GsoH Kim Stanley Robinson, Peter Nicholls and Grant Stone. \$60-00 until March 31. Sup \$20-00. Voting \$5-00. P.O. Box 418, Sandy Bay, Tas 7005 (002) 312-560 e-mail cnelson@mariner.amc.edu.au.

Arcon Aussiecon Reunion Convention- celebrating twenty years of Australian Science Fiction. September 22-24 GsoH Robin Johnson & David Grigg Savoy Plaza Hotel Melbourne. P.O. Box 215 Forest Hill, Vic 3131 Att \$50-00.

Continuum (Conquest 95) September 22-24 Lennon's Hotel GPO Box 1376 Brisbane 4001 (07) 273 6512

Condiment '95 1995 Media Natcon October 14 Melbourne Town Hall

Mutagen '96 January 26-29 1996, Dr Who GsoH Peter Davison (O.C.P.) Chris Barrie (O.C.P.) Paul Cornell. Att \$90-00. GPO Box 910G Melbourne 3001. (03) 534-2752

Festival of the Imagination/ Confusion 96/Swancon 21 Lit/Media NatCon Easter 1996. Uni of W.A. Supp \$15.

Constellation NZ Natcon: Queens Birthday Weekend 1996 The Christchurch City Travelodge, NZ GsoH Michael Moorcock, James Dignan \$50.00 during 1994/5 P.O. Box 29-119, Fendalton, Christchurch NZ. Email: c.brandenburg@lincoln.ac.nz

GoH = Guest of Honour

O.C.P. = Other Commitments Permitting  
Other Events

N.S.W.

Gargoyle Club First Friday of month 7.00pm, Royal Exhibition Hotel Surrey Hills

Futurian Society of Sydney 3rd Friday of month 7pm Room 1615 University of Technology Sydney

Sydney Dr Who Fan Club 4th Sunday of month Sefton District Girl Guides' Hall. P.O. Box 381, Chester Hill, 2162 (02) 727-4272

Newcastle Doctor Who Science Fiction Club 3rd Sunday of the month, Alice Ferguson Community Centre, 30 Caldwell St Merewether P.O. Box 140, Kotara Fair 2289, ph (049) 57 5109 (049) 43 2666

Victoria

Enterprise February 25 1.00—5.00 pm Trek Trivia Quiz & Starfleet Exams Horticultural Society Hall 31 Victoria St P.O. Box 466 World Trade Centre Melbourne 3005

MSFC February 17 Kurt Russell Film Festival; February 24 Swap Card Night; 7-30pm St David's Church Hall 74 Melville Rd West Brunswick P.O. Box 212 World Trade Centre Melbourne 3005

February 18 11-00 am BBQ near the Yellow Peril.

Filming Australia in '99 Video.

February 23 Stargate Premier (phone 5837404 to book)

THE AUSTRALIAN SCIENCE FICTION  
BULLSHEET

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17th February 1995

Time-Trekkers March 3 46 Sternberg Street Bendigo  
Star Trek: Voyager Bendigo premier. P.O. Box 934  
Bendigo 3550

Austrek March 4 2-5pm Hobson's Bay Secondary  
College 88 Graham Street Albert Park

Star Trek Marathons The Glasshouse Theatre,  
RMIT Union 360 Swanston St 6:30pm first Sat of the  
month.

Australian Babylon 5 Fan Club P.O. Box 41 West  
Brunswick 3055

Qld

Camp Warrawee February 17-19 P.O. Box 10308  
Adelaide St Brisbane 4000?

Warp Speed February 25 GPO Box 2004 Brisbane 4001  
(07) 356 5472

Cosmic Cotillion April 1 Irish Club GPO Box 2004  
Brisbane 4001 (07) 356 5472

Conquest 95 March 5 GPO Box 1376 Brisbane 4001 (07)  
273 6512

Quest Star Trek March 12 12noon - 4.00pm Yungaba  
Community Centre, 100 Mains Rd Kangaroo Point (07)  
356 5472

A.C.T., S.A., Tas, W.A.

No current information

Fanzines

Thyme #100 Alan Stewart P.O. Box 222 World Trade  
Centre Melbourne 3005. Thyme gets its ton and to  
celebrate, Alan releases a collection of material from  
previous issues. A nice potted history of the last  
fourteen years of Australian fandom.

The Captain's Log # 211 Star Trek Katharine Shade for  
Austrek GPO Box 5206AA Melbourne 3001

Ultrawarp #11 Michael Cloonan & Greg Smith P.O. Box  
934 Bendigo 3550

BBS

Echo Base Hoth (03) 563-1323. Psibaud, (03) 804 3205,  
free single line stand-alone science fiction and  
education BBS Unisfa <http://www.gu.uwa.edu.au/unisfa/>. Ausom's First Class Bulletin Board has  
added a science fiction conference called Sci Fi (03) 543  
3411 Damien Warman <http://smug.student.adelaide.edu.au/damien/home.html>

Deadlines

Duff March 5th 1995.  
Ditmar Nominations March 24th 1995  
Guff March 31st 1995.

CoAs

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Sources

Warp Speed, Carey Handfield, Black Light, The Captain's  
Log, David Tonge, David Richardson, Roy Ferguson, Chris  
Nelson, Keith Curtis, Ultrawarp

Jove Nods, Bullsheet Happens

Oops. Sorry to those who turned up at 10.00am, for the  
Dr Who Club Foot Rally. It wasn't due to start until  
12.00 noon.

Deadline For #27

Tuesday February 28th. Distribution Friday March 3rd.  
**Australian Fanzines of 1994**

The following is a list of fanzines that I've seen or had  
mentioned to me as appearing in 1994. Please feel free to  
send me evidence of any I've missed. I'm not counting  
*Aurealis*, *Eidolon* or *Bloodsongs* as fanzines. I don't know  
whether or not Roy Ferguson will. The definition of  
fanzine specifies "non-professional". These fanzines will,  
by definition, contain work by people eligible in the  
Fan Writer and Fan Artist categories.

*Artichoke* Ian Gunn

*Australian SF News* Merv Binns

*Australian SF Writer's News* The Dirk Strasser & Steven  
Paulsen

*Black Light* Sean-Paul Smith & Damian Christie

*Busswarble* Michael Hailstone

*Captain's Log* The Katharine Shade

*Communicator* The Derek Screen

*Dag Speaketh* The Anonymous

*Dan Wanketh* The Danny Heap

*Ethel the Aardvaark* Paul Ewins

*Fnac* John Foyster

*Frog on a Cashbox* Anonymous

*Iceworld* Damian Christie

*Instrumentality* The Donna Heenan

*Mentor* The Ron Clark

*Metaphysical Review* The Bruce Gillespie

*Mumblings from Munchkinland* Chris Nelson

*Nemesis* Ausfa

*Or So You Say* Shayne McCormack

*Ron's the One* John Foyster

*Scaramouche* Terry Frost

*Scribe* Paul Branch & Celine Zhu

*Sonic Screwdriver* David Richardson

*Steve Albini's Lovegun* Lucy Sussex and Julian Warner

*Sydney Futurian* Ron Clarke

*Thyme* Alan Stewart

*Total Animal Soup of Time* The Terry Frost

*Ultrawarp* Michael Cloonan

*Weber Woman's Wrevenge* Jean Weber

*Zine* The Stephen Smith

This does not include the myriad of Anzapazine titles  
that has appeared in ANZAPA over the year. Nor does  
it include Ian Gunn & Kerri Valkova's *Australian Fan  
Diary* or Ali Kayn's *Science Fiction Fan Resource Book*.

## 1995 AUSTRALIAN SCIENCE FICTION ("DITMAR") AWARDS

The 1995 Ditmars for work in Science Fiction and Fantasy during 1994 will be awarded at **Thylocon**, the 34th Australian National SF Convention, to be held in Hobart from June 9-12, 1995.

The Constitution of the Australian National SF Convention states, re awards:

"The Convention Committee ... will, by a vote of the Convention's members, after a nominating process involving Australian Fandom generally, award up to five Australian Science Fiction Awards (of which, at least one must be for fannish endeavours) and the William Atheling Jr. Award, for Criticism and Review."

For this purpose the **Thylocon** committee has appointed a sub-committee. On the reverse side of this form there is a nominating form, which may be filled out by any member of Australian Fandom. The Sub-Committee will accept up to five nominations in each category from each nominator.

Following a tradition established in two previous National SF conventions Thylocon is taking nominations in six categories plus the William Atheling Jr. Award.

Voting forms compiled from these nominations will then be sent to all members of **Thylocon**.

Completed forms must be sent to:

Ditmar Sub-Committee  
PO Box 12096  
A'Beckett St  
Melbourne 3000

NOMINATIONS CLOSE:

24th March 1995

### Definitions of Categories

1. **BEST AUSTRALIAN LONG FICTION:** A science fiction or fantasy story of 17,500 words or more, written by an Australian citizen or permanent resident of Australia and which was published for the first time, and distributed in Australia by an Australian book

publisher or distributor during the 1994 calendar year.

2. **BEST AUSTRALIAN SHORT FICTION:** A science fiction or fantasy story of less than 17,500 words, written by an Australian citizen or permanent resident of Australia and which was first published in Australia during the 1994 calendar year.
3. **BEST FANZINE:** A non-professional publication devoted to science fiction, fantasy or related subjects, produced by an Australian citizen or permanent resident of Australia which was produced and generally available in 1994.
4. **BEST FAN WRITER:** An Australian citizen or permanent resident of Australia who wrote material which appeared in a fanzine produced and generally available in 1994.
5. **BEST FAN ARTIST:** An Australian citizen or permanent resident of Australia whose artwork (of whatever description) appeared in a generally available fanzine or through other public display in 1994. An artist does not qualify for this award for any artwork which they were paid to produce. Artwork for public display must have as its theme, science fiction, fantasy or related subjects.
6. **BEST PROFESSIONAL ARTWORK:** An Australian citizen or permanent resident of Australia whose original artwork was produced by commission or for sale in 1994. The artwork must have as its theme, science fiction, fantasy or related subjects and have been publically visible in 1994 eg by display or as a magazine or book cover.

**THE WILLIAM ATHELING JR. AWARD FOR CRITICISM OR REVIEW:** For a particular piece of criticism or review of science fiction or fantasy, or a body of shorter items, where the work or works first appeared in Australia in 1994.

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For further information on **Thylocon**, please write to

Thylocon, PO Box 418, Sandy Bay, Tasmania 7006

Internet email address: [cnelson@mariner.amc.edu.au](mailto:cnelson@mariner.amc.edu.au)

# 1995 AUSTRALIAN SCIENCE FICTION ("DITMAR") AWARDS

## NOMINATION FORM

1. BEST AUSTRALIAN LONG FICTION (title, author, publisher)
  
2. BEST AUSTRALIAN SHORT FICTION (title, author, publication)
  
3. BEST FANZINE (title, editor/publisher, address)
  
4. BEST FAN WRITER (name, published examples)
  
5. BEST FAN ARTIST (name, published examples)
  
6. BEST PROFESSIONAL ARTWORK (name of artist, artwork and when/how displayed)

### WILLIAM ATHELING JR. AWARD FOR CRITICISM OR REVIEW

(Please supply the source of nominees in this category)

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NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

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SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

Thyлаcon Membership No: \_\_\_\_\_ (if known)

If you are not a Thyлаcon member and may be unknown to the Sub-Committee please supply the name of a fan or fan organization to whom/which you are known:

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NOTE: The Sub-Committee is the final arbiter on the eligibility of a nominee.

NOMINATIONS CLOSE: 24TH MARCH 1995

SEND NOMINATIONS TO: PO BOX 12096, A'BECKETT ST, MELBOURNE 3000

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# Thylacon

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9 - 12 June 1995

An old style National convention with an emphasis on all fields of SF, reading, writing, viewing and fandom. It has a major strand devoted to the emergence of 'young adult' themes in recent SF and another on terraforming - both this planet and others. It will also have a games program, including a Magic™ tournament, a masquerade, a hucksters area, auctions, literary and media panels and a fanroom.

Our Guests of Honour are:

## INTERNATIONAL

**Kim Stanley Robinson**

Hugo and Nebula Award Winner

*Red Mars* (novel), *Green Mars* (novel)

*Escape From Kathmandu* (short)

and other works

## AUSTRALIAN

**Peter Nicholls**

Hugo Award Winner

*Encyclopedia of Science Fiction*

**Grant Stone**

*The Culture Vulture* (7ZR)

*Weird News* (5AN, 6WF)

*Faster Than Light Radio Show* (RTR-FM, Perth)

## Membership Rates

\$60 until the end of March, then \$75, or a day rate of \$25 (subject to revision), or for a club group of 10 or more, (non-transferable etc) \$40 until the end of March and then \$55. Supporting membership \$20.

Accommodation available in a variety of price ranges.

Queries & cheques to Thylacon, PO Box 418, Sandy Bay, TAS, 7005.

ph 002 - 312560

