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## Ellen Datlow in Melbourne

Ellen, the fiction editor of *Omni* and anthologist will be at Slow Glass Books 1st Floor, 305 Swanston St, on <u>April 21</u> at 5.30pm

# **Publishing Updates**

Sally Beasley reports that, contrary to information published in The BS #25, Dave Luckett has only two confirmed books, *The Adventures of Addam*, that was released in February, and *Night Hunters* that is due for release in June. He has other books doing the rounds. Sally also reports that there is a Perth group that gathers at A Touch of Strange in Subiaco of a Sunday. Confirmation would be appreciated.

### In Print

Derek Screen & David Barker appeared, in Trek uniform, in the place of the Page Three Girl in the Herald/Sun 31/3/95. The article was plugging the raffle to support the Royal Children's Hospital. Sydcon got a write-up in The Weekend Australian Review 8-9/4/95, along with a mention of Thylacon. Sydcon was obviously uninterested in members from interstate. I consider myself fairly well read on sf happenings in Australia but I hadn't heard of it before reading the article. Shane Morrissey & Bobby Carolane featured on page five of one edition of The Age 12/4/95. It appears that that issue was the one mainly distributed in rural Victoria. Magnetic Rim is a free electronic magazine featuring short fiction from Stephen James, Paul Collins and others. Available in Windows help file format and as text and hardcopy. Lucy Sussex notes that Roy gets very stroppy if you criticise the lack of apostrophes in his publicity:- "I should point out that the English language is dynamic, NOT static. Correct use of English is however people choose to use it. Anything else is fascist and really petty" Roy.Chambers@mq.edu.au.

## **GUFF & FFANZ Stuff**

Ian Gunn and Karen Pender-Gunn have won GUFF and will travel to Intersection, the 1995 Worldcon in Glasgow Scotland in August. Roman will, no doubt, produce voting details soon. Donna Heenan has released her FFANZ itinerary that will see her at

Conquest in Auckland over Easter, followed by two days each in Dunedin, Christchurch and Wellington and one day in Palmerston North.

## Convention Updates

Thylacon has released *Pawprints*, its Progress Report listing 38 members and giving some programming details. Marjorie Lenehan will be running the masquerade. From Sydney come details on an assortment of mini-cons plus **Medtrek V**.

# **Upcoming Conventions**

Swancon '95 W.A. regional <u>April 13-17</u> 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

Sydcon April 14-17 Newtown School of Performing Arts Contact (02) 550-3548

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

The Reunion #2 April 28-30th Ark Royale 6 Bellevue Road Faulconbridge NSW 2776 Relaxacon? \$20 attending or \$15 for those feeding others. \$12 Day rate. Thylacon 1995 Lit NatCon. June 9-12. Hadley's Hotel, Hobart. GsoH Kim Stanley Robinson, Peter Nicholls and Grant Stone. \$75-00. 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) <u>September 22-24</u> Lennon's Hotel GPO Box 1376 Brisbane 4001 (07) 273 6512 Condiment '95 1995 Media Natcon October 14 Melbourne Town Hall

Mudcon November 18-19 Winery tour/Convention. Susan Clarke 6 Bellevue Road Faulconbridge NSW 2776 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 The Festival of the Imagination '96 ( Confusion 96/Swancon 21) Lit/Media NatCon Easter 1996. Kings Hotel Perth. GoH Bruce Sterling. Membership \$50 till the middle of May, supporting \$20. GPO Box G429, Perth, 6001 Ph:(09) 434 4167.

Constellation NZ Natcon: <u>Oueens Birthday Weekend</u> 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 Medtrek V Australia Day Weekend 1997 UWS Hawkesbury Richmond NSW Susan Clarke 6 Bellevue Road Faulconbridge NSW 2776 GoH = Guest of Honour O.C.P. = Other Commitments Permitting

# **Other Events**

N.S.W.

Futurian Society of Sydney April 21 7pm Science fiction in science fiction(fans in sf, etc). Room 1614, Tower Building, University of Technology, 17 Broadway, Sydney. Contact Ron Clarke (02) 489-5826 The Winter Ball July 29 Elim House, Shaftesbury St Burwood (NSW). \$50. All bookings by July 20th to Susan Clark, 6 Bellevue Road Faulconbridge NSW 2776. Proceeds to the Linda Cox Chan Fund for Diabetes Research.

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 Babylon 5 OZ Fan Club PO Box 161 Adamstown NSW

Australian Dr Who Club PO Box 4 Epping NSW 2121 email: Kate.Orman@mq.edu.au \$9 per year Fanzine Data Extract

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

### Victoria

MSFC April 21 Fantasy Board Games; April 28 Post-Force-One Convention Quiz; 7-30pm St David's Church Hall 74 Melville Rd West Brunswick P.O. Box 212 World Trade Centre Melbourne 3005 Enterprise Star Trek A.G.M. April 22 1pm Horticultural Society Hall, Victoria St Melbourne P.O. Box 466 World Trade Centre Melbourne 3005

Nova Mob May 3 Alan Stewart's Place Marc Ortlieb on Colin Kapp. Phone Alan Stewart for details (03) 429

Austrek May 7 10am Village Cinema Airport West. Screening of The Puppet Masters. Bookings to Austrek GPO Box 5206AA Melbourne 3001 (03) 887 1701 Star Trek Marathons April 22nd 6:30pm State Film Centre 1 Macarthur st East Melbourne (03) 758 1807

### Qld

Brisbane Dr Who Club April 16 P.O. Box 10308 Adelaide St Brisbane 4000 Warp Speed April 29(Gold Coast) GPO Box 2004 Brisbane 4001 (07) 356 5472 Conquest 95 May 7 GPO Box 1376 Brisbane 4001 (07) 273 6512 Quest Star Trek May 14 12noon - 4.00pm Yungaba

Community Centre, 100 Mains Rd Kangaroo Point (07) 356 5472

### S.A.

Critical Mass May 3 8pm SA Writers' Centre, Second Floor, 187 Rundle Street, Adelaide. 6:30 Five Spices Restaurant

AUSFA, c/- Clubs Association, University of Adelaide, North Terrace, Adelaide SA 5001.

UniSFA - University of Western Australia Science Fiction Association. See Web page or e-mail (nulsmurf@tartarus.uwa.edu.au) Simon Oxwel for more

The West Lodge Doctor Who Fan Club. First Saturday of the month at the Collins Street Centre, South Perth. Entry Fee \$1.50members, \$3.00 non-members. Snail-Mail: P.O. Box 190 Mt Lawley 6050 E-Mail: nulsmurf@tartarus.uwa.edu.au

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No current information

# **Fanzines**

The Mentor #87 Ron Clarke P.O. Box K940, Haymarket, N.S.W. 2000 \$20/4 or the usual. (This one is worth it for the photo of Kevin Dillon from the early sixties) The Captain's Log #213 Katharine Shade for Austrek GPO Box 5206AA Melbourne 3001

Echo Base Hoth (03) 563-1323. Psibaud, (03) 804 3205, free single line stand-alone sf and education BBS The Captain's Quarters Star Trek (03) 723 8344. Ausom's First Class BBS SF conference called Sci Fi (03) 543 3411

## Web Pages

## Unisfa

http://www.gu.uwa.edu.au/unisfa/

Damien Warman http://smug.student.adelaide.edu.au/~damien/

Sundance Bilson-Thompson http://smug.student.adelaide.edu.au/~kickaha/

Just a little one. Please note that the letters "fc" have been added to my e-mail address which now reads: Marc\_A.\_Ortlieb@fc.ausom.oz.au There will be at least one more change this year.

### Sources

Warp Speed, Justin Ackroyd, Joyce Scrioner, Sally Beasley, Susan Clarke, Captain's Log

## **Apologies**

The printed version of this may be up to a fortnight late. I'd forgotten the school holidays and that I wouldn't have access to the school's photocopier.

## Deadline For #31

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