

A scurrilous little rag produced for the Australian National Science Fiction Association by Marc Ortlieb, P.O. Box 215, Forest Hill, Vict, 3131, AUSTRALIA (e-mail: mortlieb@vicnet.net.au).

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### Bullsheet Media Watch

While watching the ABC's version of 40 years of Australian Television, Perry Middlemiss noted the presence of Paul Voermans with comedian Wendy Harmer. Race Matthews had a letter concerning the review of the Victorian Auditor's position in *The Australian* 25/11/96.

### Fan Funds

DUFF administrator Perry Middlemiss sent the following "Here is some news for your scurrilous little rag. There are three (3) candidates for the 1997 DUFF race:

### People

Garth Nix has been busy "I've just spent two weeks in the US promoting *Sabriel*, which was released there on October 31 by HarperCollins. This mainly consisted of lunches and dinners in New York, Boston, Chicago and San Francisco with booksellers, Harper reps, reviewers and other book people but I also did some stock signings at various bookshops and spent a morning up at *Locus* being interviewed by Charles Brown. An interesting experience for a long-time *Locus* reader, and an interview that forced me to think more deeply than I am accustomed to about both my own writing and Australian SF/F as well.

*Sabriel* has been well received in the US, with starred reviews from *Publishers Weekly* and *Booklist* and other very positive reviews from *Library Journal* and *The Horn Book*. It has also just been listed as one of the top 10 Young Adult books of 1996 by *The Chicago Tribune*. "Sue Bursztynski reports, from a Cyber Cafe, "I just got commissioned to do a book on astronauts and space program and stuff and have been reading all about Shannon Lucid"

### Fan Movements

Mark Loney reports that things do still happen in Canberra "I was wandering the aisles of the Woolworths Supermarket in the Woden Town Centre last weekend when who should I see debating the merits of purchasing Rinse Aid for their dishwasher but Tim and Tracey Reddan (accompanied by offspring Madeleine and Patrick). After the obligatory "Aren't you supposed to be living in Sydney," it turned out that they moved to Canberra in August. "Meanwhile LynC and Clive Newall have moved house. Their postbox address remains the same. Carey & Jo Handfield are in the process of selling their house. They showed the brochure around at Natalie Ortlieb's birthday party. Assorted fans looked at the pristine pictures of the house and said "But where are all the books Carey?"

### One That Slipped Past Us

Terry Morris, ANZAPA member and sometime Nova Mob regular, reveals, in *Hold That Tiger!* (ANZAPA 173), the reason that she and Hung have been conspicuously absent from Nova Mob and other fannish gatherings —their son Raphael Chee Yeow Soh was born on Monday October 14th.

Andy Hooper  
Janice Murray  
Joel Zakem

Voting forms will be available shortly, and voting closes on April 1st 1997. I am expecting a copy of the form from Pat and Roger Sims on Wednesday or thereabouts.

### Convention Information

Conquest has announced its 1997 convention ConScience (See Below for details.) Swancon 22 has their hotel confirmed and has added a Web Page.

### Aussiecon Three

Nothing has happened since the AGM. The Board has not yet met to discuss committee positions. Quel surprise.

### Up coming Conventions

Comicon Down Under 1 December 7-8 Centrepoint Convention Centre Sydney GsoH Billy Tucci, James O'Barr, Peter Gutierrez, Tim Bradstreet, Louis Small Junior \$18. P.O. Box 469 Moonee Ponds Vic 3039 Email [comicaret@ozemail.com.au](mailto:comicaret@ozemail.com.au)  
Swancon 22 January 24-27 1997 The Metro Inn South Perth GsoH Howard Waldrop, Stephen Dedman & David Cake. P.O. Box 318 Nedlands WA 6009 <http://www.gu.uwa.edu.au/swancon>  
Medtrek V January 25-27 1997 UWS Hawkesbury Richmond NSW GsoH Marilyn Pride & Lewis Morley \$50 until June 30. Susan Clarke 6 Bellevue Road Faulconbridge NSW 2776 <http://www.ar.com.au/~medtrek>  
Conspiracy 1997 18th New Zealand National Science Fiction Convention March 28 to 31 1997. Airport Hotel Wellington N.Z. GsoH: Pat Cadigan (confirmed) Danny John-Jules & Robert Llewellyn (O.C.P.). Dan McCarthy. Australian address PO Box 1044, Bundoora, Victoria 3083. Full NZ\$60 / AU\$54. Supp NZ\$15 / AU\$14. PO Box 10104, Wellington, New Zealand. Email: [concom@sans.vuw.ac.nz](mailto:concom@sans.vuw.ac.nz)  
Force 2 (Star Wars) June 7-9 1997 GsoH Anthony Daniels (O.C.P.), Kenny Baker (O.C.P.) & Steve Sansweet. Edmund Barton Conference Centre 488 South Rd Moorabbin Vic \$125 (\$150 at the door) P.O. Box 427 Northcote 3070

**Best of Both Worlds'97** June 20-22 1997 Sydney Masonic Centre. Confirmed GsoH Andrew J Robinson (Garak: DS9); Jeffrey Willerth (Kosh: Babylon 5); Richard Arnold (Star Trek consultant); Jim Lockett (Director, Official B5 Warner Brothers Fan Club, US) 2-Day Ticket \$140, Banquet (limit 150) \$50, Cocktail Party (limit 150) \$35. Friends of Science Fiction. P.O. Box 797 Fairfield, NSW, 2165 (02) 9523 8385 fsf@nlc.net.au  
http://www.nlc.net.au/~fsf/bobw/

**BasiCon 2** September 27-28 1997 Media & Mainstream NatCon YWCA Cato Conference Centre Melbourne \$20 attending membership (\$100 at the door). P.O. Box 567 Blackburn 3130

**ConScience** October 4 - 5 1997 Mecure Hotel, North Quay, Qld GPO Box 1376 Brisbane Qld 4001 (07) 3355 5938

**Aussiecon Three** 1999 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

http://www.maths.uts.edu.au/staff/eric/ain99

email julian@aussiecon3.worldcon.org

GoH = Guest of Honour

O.C.P. = Other Commitments Permitting

tba= to be announced.

### Club News

A new Brisbane Group called Hyperion 98 has formed and plans a convention in 1998. See below for details.

### Other Events

#### N.S.W.

**Southern Science Fiction Group** December 7 (Christmas Party) Contact 15 Shade Place Lugarno (02) 534-3595.

**Skyforce Sydney** December 7 The Faculty of Nursing, 88 Mallet Street Camperdown.

**Australian SF Association** GPO Box 4440 Sydney 2000

**Babylon 5 OZ Fan Club** PO Box 161 Adamstown NSW 2289. Fanzines The Babble-on Babylon 5 and Gold Channel e-mail shadow@scorch.hna.com.au

**Dr Who Fan Club of Australia** PO Box 4 Epping NSW

2121 email: neelix@eagle.asstdc.com.au \$9 per year

**Friends of Science Fiction** Star Trek, The X-Files, Babylon

5, Doctor Who P O Box 797 Fairfield NSW 2165 Email

fsf@nlc.net.au Fanzine *Friends of Science Fiction Newsletter*

**Futurian Society of Sydney**

http://tanelorn.socs.uts.edu.au/~iwoolf/writings.html

**Lost in Space Australia** P.O. Box N9 Petersham North

NSW 2049

**NSW Uni SF Club** newzine Sub Space Relay (02) 481-9419

**Newcastle Science-Fiction Club** First Sunday of every

month, Alice Ferguson Community Hall 30 Caldwell St,

Merewether. Call Craig 049 871413 for more details.

**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) 543 603 (049) 43 2666 e-mail

shadow@scorch.hna.com.au

**Parramatta SF Discussion Group** 1st Thursday of the month 7pm Infinitas Bookshop, 5/1 Horwood Place, Parramatta. (02 633 5682) ianm@mpx.com.au

**Penrith SF Group** (047) 322-179 or (047) 301-073

**Sydney DW SF Fan Club** Anglican Church Hall 2

Rochford St Erskineville GPO Box 2870 Sydney 2001

neelix@eagle.asstdc.com.au

**Tavern Monthly** booze-up for Doctor Who fans in Sydney.

First Friday of month, 6 pm. Museum Hotel.

**The Thursday Night Group** Informal eating and nattering.

5-7pm Thursday Nights. Ali Baba Cafe on George St.

**Wagga Doctor Who Fan Club** c/o Keith Walker, 52

Perseverance St, West Wyalong, NSW, 2671

#### Victoria

**MSFC** December 6 Gourmet Dips & Christmas Party

Workshop December 13 Horror Video December 20

Animation Videos & Role Play Games 8.00pm St David's

Church Hall 74 Melville Rd West Brunswick P.O. Box 212

World Trade Centre Melbourne 3005

**Phryne Fisher Club** December 8 12.30 Xmas lunch Cafe

Hotel, 480 Victoria St North Melbourne. P.O. Box 41 West Brunswick 3055

**Nova Mob** December 8 1.30 Christmas Yum Cha Pepper

Chilli Restaurant RSVP to Bruce & Elaine Gillespie by

December 2 (9419-4797) if you intend to be there.

**Dandenong Valley Science Fiction Society** December 11

Christmas party 8.00pm Dandenong Library. Ann

McGann 63 Woodside Ave, Frankston, 3199. 05971-3645.

**Skyforce (Star Wars)** December 14 Christmas in the Stars

Party St Mark's Church Hall, cnr Burke Rd & Canterbury

Rd Camberwell. 6.00 pm P.O. Box 427 Northcote 3070

**MSFC/Enterprise/DWCV** December 14 6 pm Christmas

Party "A Night with Irwin Allen" St David's Church Hall

74 Melville Rd West Brunswick

**Australian Babylon 5 Fan Club** December 15 Christmas

Meeting from 11.00am BBQ Maribyrnong River. P.O. Box

41 West Brunswick 3055 Fanzine *Babbling On* Email James

Allen@vut.edu.au or bfive@VNET.ibm.com

**London Lowlife's Feast (1997 Valentine's Day Ball)**

February 15 St Brigid's Church Hall, North Fitzroy.

Presented by the Australian Costumers Guild P.O. Box 322

Bentleigh Vic 3204 email stilskin@netspace.net.au

**Australian Costumers Guild** P.O. Box 322 Bentleigh Vic

3204 email stilskin@netspace.net.au

**Australian Horror Society** P.O. Box 7545 St Kilda Rd Melb.

3004.

**Austrek** GPO Box 5206AA, Melbourne, 3001 Phone: 03

9887 1701 (Answering machine only)

**Big SF (Star Trek/ general SF)** Ballarat P.O. Box 178

Wendouree 3355

**Doctor Who Club of Victoria**

GPO Box 4782UU Melbourne 3001 email:

borad@yoyo.cc.monash.edu.au

**Enterprise** P.O. Box 466 World Trade Centre Melbourne

3005 (03) 9583 7404

**Fellowship of Middle Earth Monash University F & SF**

Society FOME c/o The Union, Monash University, Clayton

Victorja 3168 fome@yoyo.cc.monash.edu.au or eleni@yoyo.cc.monash.edu.au  
<http://yoyo.cc.monash.edu.au/~fome/>  
**Friday Night Mob** Friday Nights 6-7.30pm. Informal eating and nattering. K&Ms, Myer Arcade Melbourne  
**Gallifrey** GPO Box 910G Melbourne 3001 Daniel Klein 0419 379 842, AH:(03) 9850 7275  
**Goulburn Valley Sci-Fi Club** bi monthly 4th Sunday of the month. Willowmere Receptions Kyabram. P.O. Box 186 Kyabram 3620  
**Red Dwarf Fan Club** P.O. Box 1044 Bundoora 3083  
**Time Lords** c/o Lee Zachariah 3 Selwood Crt, Mornington, VIC, 3931. Newsletter *Eternity* (was *TARDIS*)  
**Time Trekkers** P.O. Box 934 Bendigo 3550.  
**The X-Files Fan Club of Australia** Locked Bag 1013, Flemington, 3031. Fanzine *The Field Journal*.

## Qld

**Hyperion** January 11 5.30 to 10.00 Metro Arts Complex Edward St Brisbane  
**Conquest** January 25 Metro Arts Centre 4th Floor GPO Box 1376 Brisbane 4001  
**Quest** Second Sunday of each month G.P.O. Box 2084 Brisbane 4001  
**11:21 (Qld X-Files Club)** 4th Sunday of month - bimonthly Contact Flat 2, 10 Rosegien St Greenslopes 4120  
**Brisbane Dr Who Fan Club** bimonthly, 3rd Sunday of the month CWL Coffee Lounge, off Charlotte Street, Brisbane. PO Box 10308, Adelaide Street, Brisbane QLD 4000. email [timelord@closer.brisnet.org.au](mailto:timelord@closer.brisnet.org.au)  
**Terminal Pyramids** The Wide Bay DW and B7 Fan Club 51 Rocky St Maryborough QLD 4650 (071) 215 180 (Daniel Pattell)  
**Trilogy (Dr Who)** PO Box 2459, Southport, QLD, 4215  
**David Mark Sasche** [sdavid@gc.design.net.au](mailto:sdavid@gc.design.net.au). Fanzine *Entropy* Will meet monthly on the Gold Coast.  
**UQTrek** The University of Queensland's first and only club for the Appreciation of Star Trek contact Perryn Fowler [cs324423@student.uq.edu.au](mailto:cs324423@student.uq.edu.au)  
**War Council (Babylon 5)**

## S.A.

**AUSFA**, c/- Clubs Association, University of Adelaide, North Terrace, Adelaide SA 5001.  
**Critical Mass** PO Box 3355, Rundle Mall, Adelaide, SA 5000 [dwarman@maths.adelaide.edu.au](mailto:dwarman@maths.adelaide.edu.au)  
**Sastrek** Star Trek™ P.O. Box 369 North Adelaide S.A. 5006 (08 337 8759).  
**South Australian Doctor Who Fan Club** PO Box 3227, Adelaide, SA, 5000 (08) 294 8337 (Jeremia Boddey, president) Monthly meetings. Fanzine *Chameleon Factor* ; newsletter *Wall of Lies*

## W.A.

**Jump Point** The Babylon 5 club of W.A. Email [info@jumppoint.net.au](mailto:info@jumppoint.net.au) <http://www.jumppoint.net.au/>  
**The Neutral Zone** PO Box 1169, Bibra Lake, WA, 6163. Phone (09) 434 4167, email: [nzone@iinet.net.au](mailto:nzone@iinet.net.au) Fanzine *The Final Frontier* Newsletter *The Defector*  
**UniSFA** - University of Western Australia Science Fiction Association. e-mail [doi@tartarus.uwa.edu.au](mailto:doi@tartarus.uwa.edu.au)

**The West Lodge** Doctor Who Fan Club. P.O. Box 190 Mt Lawley 6050 E-Mail : [null@ucc.gu.uwa.edu.au](mailto:null@ucc.gu.uwa.edu.au)  
<http://www.ucc.gu.uwa.edu.au/~null/WestLodge/WestLodge.html>  
**Westrek** Star Trek Club of Western Australia Inc. Last Friday of month 6:45pm. (except December second Friday)  
**Labour Centre Building**, 82 Beaufort Street Perth. Hall . P.O. Box 307 Bentley WA 6102 Phone: (09) 356 1757  
 Email: [evans@pf.adied.oz.au](mailto:evans@pf.adied.oz.au)

## A.C.T.

**Canberra SFS** ph (06) 288 6391 (ah) PO Box 47, Civic Square ACT 2608  
**Canberra Doctor Who Fan Club** c/o Huw Buchtmann, 12 Joske Place, Latham, ACT, 2615 Meetings first Saturday of each month (not December!) Produces newsletter *Dishrags to Drashigs*

## Fanzines

**Thyme** 112 Newszine Alan Stewart P.O. Box 222 World Trade Centre Melbourne 3004. (Includes *Australian SF News* 72 Merv Binns & Alan Stewart, *Artichoke* 18 Ian Gunn and *Ansibles* 111 & 112 Dave Langford.) *Conscript* for Conquest GPO Box 1376 Brisbane Qld 4001. *The Captain's Log* 231 Rose Mitchell for Austrek GPO Box 5206AA Melbourne Vic 3001. *Emerald City* 15 Cheryl Morgan [100610.3413@compuserve.com](mailto:100610.3413@compuserve.com)

## Web Pages

For a full listing,  
<http://www.vicnet.net.au/~sfoz/zines.htm>  
 New  
**Festivale** (Reviews run by Ali Kayn)  
<http://www.mgg.com.au/default.htm>  
**Best of Both Worlds (Convention)**  
<http://www.nlc.net.au/~fsf/bobw/>  
**Klingon Assault Group**  
<http://www.ozemail.com.au/~kagaus/>  
**Swancon 22**  
<http://www.gu.uwa.edu.au/swancon>  
**Apparently Extinct**  
**David Morgan**  
<http://www.break.com.au/~fenric>  
 (only gets 404 Not Found The requested URL /~fenric was not found on this server.)

## Deadlines

ANZAPA #173	6 December 1996
Paul John Statham Memorial	31 January 1997
DUFF voting	April 1st 1997

## Sources

Alan Stewart, *Conscript*, Garth Nix, Sue Bursztynski, Clive Newall, Carey Handfield, Perry Middlemiss, Mark Loney, Terry Morris

## CoAs

Clive Newall & Lync's new phone is (03) 9350 5527. P.O. Box as before.

**Deadline For #68**  
 Tuesday December 17th.  
 Distribution Friday December 20th.

Note. #68 will be the last Bullsheet for the Year. The Bullsheet will return in February 1997

**The Mark Time Award**

Presented by The American Society For Science Fiction Audio (ASFSFA)

The Mark Time Award is given each year to honor the Best Science Fiction Audio Production.

To be Presented to the Winner at the Opening Ceremonies of MINICON 32 Friday, March 28, 1997, Bloomington, Minnesota.

**How To Enter:**

1. Print and fill out the Entry Form.  
(see <http://www.mtn.org/~jstearns/MarkTime.html>)
2. Send Three (3) copies of the Audio Production you are entering (CDs or Cassettes), the Entry Form and a check for the \$25.00 Entry Fee to: Mark Time Award, P.O. Box 566, Freeland, WA 98249
3. DEADLINE for Entry: February 28, 1997.

**What You Get:**

1. The producer(s) of each audio production submitted will automatically become members of the ASFSFA with membership benefits to follow.
2. All productions will be considered for distribution in the LodesTone Catalogue.
3. Radio stations which broadcast SF will be copied with a list of Mark Time Awards productions and how to get them.
4. All productions will be maintained in the Mark Time SF Collection, which will also be held by the Museum of Television and Radio.
5. Winning productions will be offered for sale by the MTR in New York City and Beverly Hills, and by the Pavak Museum of Broadcasting (St. Louis Park, MN.)
6. Winning productions will join the already elected programs in the Mark Time Hall of Fame. (ASFSFA Members may nominate other productions from radio broadcasts or commercially released audio for the Hall of Fame.)
7. Winner will be offered assistance to attend Minicon 32.

**Criteria for Judging:**

1. The degree to which the Production fits the subjective description "science fiction," as against "horror" or "fantasy."
2. Use of Medium - sound design, location recording, "audio art."
3. Writing - storyline, characterizations, dialogue.
4. Performances.
5. Direction.
6. Technical production.

Judges for the Inaugural (1996) Mark Time Awards are the Founders of the ASFSFA - Richard Fish,

David Ossman, and Jerry Stearns -and the Minicon 32 Audio Guest of Honor - Tom Lopez (ZBS).

The Mark Time Awards are co-sponsored by MINICON and Minn-SF. (The Minnesota Regional Science Fiction Convention, sponsored by the Minnesota Science Fiction Society.)

If you are not submitting a program this year, but would like to join ASFSFA, send \$10.00 to: Membership, P.O. Box 566, Freeland, WA 98249.

Questions & Comments to [jstearns@mtn.org](mailto:jstearns@mtn.org)

For a registration form, see the Web at

<http://www.mtn.org/~jstearns/MarkTime.html>

**Science Fiction Writing Contest On Next 50 Years Of Computing**

Contest Being Held in Conjunction with ACM 97, First Worldwide Interactive Conference and Technology Expo on the Future of Computing

What will computers be like in 2047? Hewlett-Packard Company is inviting writers and science fiction enthusiasts to submit their most imaginative ideas in short-story form and the best three will win today's state-of-the-art computers. The contest is being held in conjunction with ACM 97, the first worldwide interactive conference and technology expo on the future of computing, which will be held in San Jose, CA, on March 1-5, 1997. The conference is presented by the Association of Computing (ACM) and will feature talks from some of the world's most prominent futurists, including science fiction writer Bruce Sterling. James Burke, host of the highly acclaimed TV series, Connections and The Day the University Changed, will emcee the event.

The first place winner will receive an HP Omnibook notebook computer. Second and third place winners will each receive HP Palmtop PCs. The contest is open to everyone except Hewlett-Packard employees and professional science fiction writers. Entries must be postmarked by Thursday, January 2, 1997. Rules and entry forms can be obtained as follows:

HP Web site:

<http://www.hpl.hp.com/acm97/scifi>

email: [hpacmw@dtc.hp.com](mailto:hpacmw@dtc.hp.com)

send a self-addressed stamped envelope to:

HP/ACM97 Science Fiction Contest

1501 Page Mill Road - MS60-A

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This issue is dedicated to the memory of Michael Bentine. The world is left a little bit squarer by his death.