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Awards

The final ballots for the Australian Science Fiction Achievement Awards (Ditmars) and the Australian Science Fiction Media Awards (ASFMAS) have been released. The Deadline for the Ditmars is Friday 19th September 1997. The Deadline for the ASFMAS is Friday, 26 September, 1997 for postal votes or 4pm on Saturday, 27 September, 1997 at the convention.

Australian Science Fiction Achievement Awards (Ditmars)

Best Australian Long Fiction *Dreamweavers* Paul Collins (ed); *The Memory Cathedral* Jack Dann; *Scarlet Rider* Lucy Sussex; *Metal Fatigue* Sean Williams

Best Australian Short Fiction "The Sword of God" Russell Blackford (*Dreamweavers*); "The Ichneumon and the Dormouse" Terry Dowling (*Interzone 106*); "Borderline" Leanne Frahm (*Borderline*); *The Stray Cat* Steven Paulsen (Lothian)

Best Fanzine *The Communicator* Derek Screen; *Emerald City* Cheryl Morgan; *Oscillation Overthruster* Sue Ann Barber; *Pinkette* Karen Pender-Gunn; *Science Fiction* Van Ikin; *Thyme* Alan Stewart

Best Fan Writer Terry Frost; Bruce Gillespie; Ian Gunn; Cheryl Morgan; Karen Pender-Gunn

Best Fan Artist Ian Gunn; Steve Scholz; Kerri Valkova; Phil Wlodarczyk

Best Professional Artwork Trudi Canavan for art in *Aurealis 17* and *Eidolon 22/23*; Norm & Margaret Hetherington for *Mr Squiggle* ABC TV; Elizabeth Kyle Cover of *Dreamweavers*; Shaun Tan for artwork in *Eidolon* and the cover of *The Stray Cat*; Jason Towers for "Valdo Over Evora" cover *Australian Realms 28*

William Atheling Jr. Award For Criticism Or Review Russell Blackford for "The Tiger in the Prison House" *Science Fiction #37*, Reviews of *Distress* in *Science Fiction* and *NYRSF* and "Jewels in Junk City" in *Review of Contemporary Fiction*; Alan Stewart for reviews in *Thyme*; Janeen Webb for "Post human SF: Lost In Cyberspace" (*The Festival of Imagination Programme Book*)

Australian Science Fiction Media Awards (ASFMAS)

Best Australian Fan Fiction Zine *Alliance* Cavell Gleeson & Jeremy Sadler; *Babyloney 5* Peter Reilly

Best Australian Fan Newsletter *The Communicator* Derek Screen; *Frontier* Katharine Maxwell; *Oscillation Overthruster* Sue Ann Barber; *Thyme* Alan Stewart

Best Australian Media Fan Writer Sue Ann Barber; Paul Ewins; Ian Gunn; George Ivanoff; Karen Perder-Gunn; Margaret Walsh

Best Australian Media Fan Artist Ian Gunn; Tracy Hamilton Steve Scholz; Kerri Valkova; Phil Wlodarczyk

Best Amateur Audio Visual Production Enterprise Web Site David Barker <http://www.aba.net.au/people/susien/enterprise/>; Star Trek 30th Anniversary Tribute Video Danny Heap; Zero G 3RRR Radio Program Robert Jan

In Print

Sally Beasley provides the following "Dave [Luckett] has had a sequel to "The Best Batsman in the World" accepted by Omnibus. It will be called "The Last Eleven" and may be out later this year. He's also had accepted (again by Omnibus) a longer, young adult novel, which will probably *not* be called its current working title of "A Dark Winter" and will probably come out next year. It's still in the process of fine-tuning rewrite. However, he's now working full-time (having had to move over from CES to DSS when the government abolished the former) and is finding it's difficult to get enough time to write."

Damien Broderick is also busy "THEORY AND ITS DISCONTENTS has been published by Deakin University Press (a critique of some poststructuralist strategies and tactics, with a kind of discursive 'theory of everything' that tries to link shifts in fashion in science and the humanities with long historical cycles; it is dedicated jointly to the memory of Isaac Asimov and James Blish)

ZONES (co-author Rory Barnes) published by HarperCollins Australia (young adults sf novel, using the telephone for time travel)

'Schrodinger's Dog' made it into both the Stahan and Byrne YEAR'S BEST AUSTRALIAN SF AND FANTASY 1, and Gardner Dozois's YEAR'S BEST.

I have had a long story, 'The Womb', bought by Jack Dann and Janeen Webb, for their anthology DOWN-UNDER DREAMING"

Isobel Carmody has a story in this year's The Year's Best Fantasy and Horror edited by Ellen Datlow & Terri Windling

Bullsheet Media Watch

Holodiction featured in the Herald sun Monday May 12. It featured a trekker called Jody De'ath, sandwiched between two cardboard cutouts - labelled "Spocks" by the Herald Sun. The front one was actually a placard Picard. Not Australian, I know, but I rather liked the review of the Nichelle Nichols album in Record Collector #211 March 1997 that said "That's Lieutenant Uhura to you and me, the dusky beauty who distracted millions of (male) viewers of the mighty 'Star Trek' from William Shatner's not inconsiderable paunch.

Aussiecon Three

Mike Glycer notes "L.A.con III, the 1996 World Science Fiction Convention, has sent pass-on funds checks the next three Worldcons, LoneStarCon2, Bucconeer and Aussiecon 3. Each organization received \$22,000; the total distributed was \$66,000.

These payments fulfill L.A.con III's commitment to share its surplus under the "Pass-Along Funds" agreement, a voluntary agreement between Worldcon committees to divide 50% of any surplus among their three successors. (But only those successors who make the same promise.) In return, participating Worldcons are eligible to receive a share of their predecessors' surpluses under the same formula."

Eric Lindsay adds "Aussiecon is making great leaps. The State of Illinois finally completed their red tape, so we can legally get a US check account. I heard that on May 1st. Victoria did much better. The red tape there was done by mid February (of course, that was merely a change of name, not a whole new corporation). Sigh!"

Two Weddings and ...

James (Jocko) Allen has been attending weddings "Went to Bridh Hancock and Ann's wedding in Riddell's Creek on 5th of April, Nice sunny afternoon, lots of people, in the backyard of their house. Then there was MSFC/Phryne Fisher club members Gary Nichol and Angela Chiccoli's wedding where I was best man and Jeanette was Matron of honour it was wet, but fun. That makes three best man speeches I have delivered--The worrying about them is why I am not a politician, I am sure."

Altair Competition

Altair Magazine is conducting a first edition competition for stories between 2000 and 6000 words. The first prize is \$1000 and publication in Altair #1, with other prizes of \$250, \$100 and \$50. There is an entry fee of \$10. For further details, contact Altair Publishing P.O. Box 475, Blackwood, S.A. 5051 or robsteph@ozemail.com.au. Altair has a web site at <http://www.ozemail.com.au/~robsteph/altair.htm>

Convention News

Geoff Shang reports regarding Best of Both Worlds'97 "The convention is on at the Sydney Centrepoint Convention Centre. (it's at the base of the tower). Andrew Robinson WILL attend as originally planned! (Garak, DS9). He had cancelled, and Chase Masterson (Leeta) was replacing him. But she double booked for SeaTrek! Many calls later & Andrew Robinson is back! Jeffrey Willerth (Kosh - Babylon 5) has cancelled. He has a large part in the new Babylon 5 telemovie which is being filmed in June. Julie Caitlin Brown (Na'Toth, G'kars asst. in Babylon 5) replaces Kosh. Julie was also Vekor ("Gambit" - TNG) & Ty Kajada ("the Passenger" - DS9) David Tupper reports details of this year's Conquest Conquest 97 The Tonight Show now moved to October 10 - 12 1997

Upcoming Conventions

Force 2 (Star Wars) June 7-9 1997 GsoH Jeremy Bulloch (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
 Holodiction Brisbane June 8 Mercure Hotel. Rene Ouberjonois (Odo - DS-9) Phone 02 9311-3841
 Holodiction Perth June 15. Enquire about venue. Rene Ouberjonois. (Odo - DS-9) Phone 02 9311-3841
 Best of Both Worlds'97 June 20-22 1997 Sydney Centrepoint Convention Centre. Confirmed GsoH Andrew J Robinson (Garak: DS9); Richard Arnold (Star Trek consultant); Julie Caitlin Brown (Na'Toth, Babylon 5); 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/>
 Holodiction Adelaide June 22. Enquire about venue. Robert Picardo (Doctor) and Rene Ouberjonois. (Odo) Phone 02 9311-3841
 Holodiction "Mini Convention" June 29 Rene Ouberjonois and Robert Picardo in Sydney. Phone (02 9311-3841
 Event Horizon I I July 18-20 1997 Mercure Hotel, Brisbane GoH Michael O'Hare (Commander Sinclair, Babylon 5) full membership \$105 supporting \$30 776 Cavendish Rd Holland Park 4121 Qld
<http://www.eastwind.com.au/eh2/index.html>
 Email E.Parry@hum.gu.edu.au or johnc@eastwind.com.au
 LoneStarCon2 55th World Science Fiction Convention August 28-September 1 1997 Henry B. Gonzales Convention Center San Antonio, Texas GsoH Algis Budrys, Michael Moorcock, Don Maitz and Roy Tackett Attending \$135 Supporting \$25, Children, 3-12 \$40 (Rates apply until July 31, 1997) LoneStarCon2, PO Box 27277, Austin, TX 78755-2277 E-mail: lsc2@io.com URL: <http://www.io.com/~lsc2>

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.

<http://www.vicnet.net.au/~sfoz/basicon.htm>

Conquest 97 The Tonight Show October 10 - 12 1997

Mecure Hotel, North Quay, Qld GoH Richard Arnold GPO Box 1376 Brisbane Qld 4001 (07) 3266-3103

Timestorm November 21-23 1997 Australia's 14th National Doctor Who Convention Guest of Honor (subject to work commitments): Solphie Aldred (Ace) Edmund Barton Convention Centre, South Road, Moorabbin. \$75 until 16 May, \$85 until 18 July, \$95 until 19 September, \$110 until 18

November, \$130 at door GPO Box 4782UU Melbourne Vic 3001 <http://www.ipax.com.au/~dave/timestorm.html>
dave@ipax.com.au kergulen@onaustralia.com.au

Multiverse 3 February 13-15 1998 Edmund Barton Centre 488 South Road Moorabbin Victoria GoH Rob Grant P.O. Box 355 World Trade Centre Melbourne, Victoria 3005 Australia <http://www.vicnet.net.au/~multiver>

Construction (New Zealand NatCon) Queen's Birthday Long Weekend 1998 West Plaza Hotel Wellington GoH Neil Gaiman P.O. Box 11559 Manners St Wellington New Zealand

CSO (Dr Who NatCon) April 17-19 1998 Brisbane Travelodge Roma Street Station GsoH Caroline John & Geoffrey Beevers ph Trevor Gensch (07) 5499 0265

Swancon Twenty Three 24th-27th April. 1998 (Anzac Day long weekend) Orchard Hotel, 707 Wellington St, Perth. GoH: t.b.a. Guests: Tess Williams, Grant Stone.

Dead GoH: Jules Verne Fan Guest: Gina Goddard. Membership \$60.00 until 31st August GPO Box 429 Perth WA 6841

<http://www.gu.uwa.edu.au/swancon>
E-mail: swancon23@ucc.gu.uwa.edu.au

Aussiecon Three 1999 World Science Fiction Convention. September 2-6 1999 World Congress Centre, Melbourne GsoH George Turner, Greg Benford and Bruce Gillespie. Aussiecon Threc, 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.

Other Events

A.C.T.

Canberra S FS 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*

N.S.W.

Futurian Society of Sydney May 16 7.00 pm. Scientists in SF Room 1615 University of Technology Broadway <http://tanelorn.socs.uts.edu.au/~iwoolf/writings.html>
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 <http://www.nlc.net.au/~fsf/> Fanzine *Friends of Science Fiction Newsletter*

Southern Science Fiction Group May 17 2pm The Conspiracy Theory Keith's Paranoia Contact 15 Shade Place Lugarno (02) 534-3595.

Sydney Skyforce May 24 1-5pm Sydney University Contact Hector - 0411 363 5021 PO Box 804 Kensington NSW 2033 Email hbocaz@mail.usyd.edu.au

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
Lost in Space Australia P.O. Box N9 Petersham North NSW 2049

NSW Uni SF Club zine 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

Skyforce Sydney The Faculty of Nursing, 88 Mallet Street Camperdown

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. Murphy's Bar.

Wagga Doctor Who Fan Club c/o Keith Walker, 52 Perseverance St, West Wyalong, NSW, 2671

Qld

Highlander May 18 10 am to 4.00 pm Metro Arts 109 Edward St Brisbane Newsletter *The Buzz*

Conquest June 1 10am General Elections Metro Arts 109 Edward St Brisbane GPO Box 13676 Brisbane Qld 4001

Queensland Star Trekkers (Quest) June 8 12.00 to 4.00 pm Metro Arts 109 Edward St Brisbane GPO Box 2084 Brisbane 4001

Hyperion June 14 5.30 pm - 10 pm Metro Arts 109 Edward St Brisbane (07) 3341 0307
New Alliance June 15 P.O. Box 7446 East Brisbane Qld 4169
Brisbane Dr Who Fan Club June 15 Queensland Rail Institute Center, Brisbane Central Station PO Box 10308, Adelaide Street, Brisbane QLD 4000. email timelord@closer.brisnet.org.au
Vortex July 23 QUT (ITE Building Room 303) G.P.O. Box 2084 Brisbane 4001
Brisbane Skyforce September 13 10am - 6pm University of Queensland Contact Nick - (07) 3369 9744, PO Box 5732 West Hill QLD 4101 Email water@thehub.com.au
FSFSA C/O Leela Cosgrove 3 Sollis St. Geebung Brisbane Q 4034
The Space Ranger Fan Club Dinners at least once a month 104 Muir Street, Labrador 4215 (07)55322812
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. 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

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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
Sastrek Star Trek™ P.O. Box 369 North Adelaide S.A. 5006 (08 337 8759). carl@adam.com.au
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*

Victoria

MSFC May 16 Julian May Night May 23rd Instant Fanzine May 30th Indoor mini-Golf 8.00pm St David's Church Hall 74 Melville Rd West Brunswick P.O. Box 212 World Trade Centre Melbourne 3005
Doctor Who Club of Victoria May 17 12:30-18:30 First 6-7 episodes of Series 4 of Babylon 5. Melbourne University, 2nd Floor Union House. \$6 (DWCV member) \$7 (non-member) GPO Box 4782UU Melbourne 3001 email: borad@yoyo.cc.monash.edu.au
Enterprise May 24 1.00pm Dark Zone Games Day 232 Flinders Lane May 25 2.00 pm Golf Day Malvern Valley Public Golf Course P.O. Box 466 World Trade Centre Melbourne 3005 (03) 9583 7404 enterprise@minerals.csiro.au

Skyforce (Star Wars) May 25 20th Anniversary of Star Wars Copeland Theatre Economics & Commerce Building Uni of Melbourne 1.00 to 5.00 pm P.O. Box 427 Northcote 3070 Email Address: darren.maxwell@tmca.com.au
Austrek May 31 Trekivia Galore. Trivia quests and the Annual Starfleet Exam. St Mark's Church Hall, cnr Burke and Canterbury Rds, Camberwell. 2-5pm. Traders, displays, games and activities, refreshments available. Further information: Rose Mitchell mitchell@vicnet.net.au or Steve Hartshorne 9749 1851 (AH) Traders welcome. To book tables contact Rod Tyrrell 9899 4536 GPO Box 5206AA Melbourne 3001
The Daemonaics Club June 4 7-00 pm. The Kew Community House Number 4, 4-10 Derby St Kew 3101. P.O. Box 1528 Collingwood Vic 3066
Nova Mob June 4 13 Frederick St Brunswick.
Time Trekkers June 6 46 Sternberg St Bendigo P.O. Box 334 Bendigo 3550.
Dandenong Science Fiction Society June 12 Ann McCann P.O. Box 706 Frankston Vic 3199 015 510 159
Australian Babylon 5 Fan Club June 14 Ballarat Meeting at Glen & Carol Tilley's house 16 Lindsay's Rd Ballarat P.O. Box 41 West Brunswick 3055 Fanzine *Babbling On* Email James Allen@vut.edu.au or bfive@VNET.ibm.com
The X-Files Fan Club of Australia June 21 6.00pm to Midnight Awards Night Albert by the Lake Function Centre. Locked Bag 1013, Flemington, 3031. Fanzine *The Field Journal*.
The Second Annual Costumers' Ball July 26th Streeton Room, The Centre Ivanhoe, 275 Uper Heidelberg Rd Ivanhoe. P.O. Box 322 Bentleigh Vic 3204 email stilskin@netspace.net.au
Austrek Art Show August 9 St Mark's Church Hall Camberwell
Fourth Annual Fantasy and Science Fiction Masquerade Ball August 9 7:00pm - 12:00pm Glenferrie Masonic Hall 3 Lauder Street Hawthorn Contact Fellowship of Middle Earth c/o the Union Monash University Clayton Victoria 3168 Phone: (03) 95455203
Australian Costumers Guild P.O. Box 322 Bentleigh Vic 3204 email stilskin@netspace.net.au
Australian Horror Writers P.O. Box 7545 St Kilda Rd Melbourne 3004
Big SF (Star Trek / general SF) Ballarat P.O. Box 178 Wendouree 3355
Fellowship of Middle Earth Monash University FOME c/o The Union, Monash University, Clayton Victoria 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
Phryne Fisher Club P.O. Box 41 West Brunswick 3055
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*)

Sources

W.A.

Alan Stewart, *Warpspeed*, *The Communicator*, Sue Ann Barber, James Allen, Sally Beasley, Damien Broderick, Janice Murray, Eric Lindsay, Mike Glycer, David Tupper, Ian Gunn, George Ivanoff, Robert Stephenson, David Morgan

Swancon 23 Quiz Day June 29 12.30pm Hyde Park Hotel Perth
 The Neutral Zone No longer meeting PO Box 1169, Bibra Lake, WA, 6965.. Phone (09) 434 4167, email: nzonc@inet.net.au Fanzine The Final Frontier
 Jump Point Murdoch University Economics, Commerce & Law Building - Lecture Theatre 1 The Babylon 5 club of W.A. Email info@jumppoint.net.au
<http://www.jumppoint.net.au/>
 UniSFA - University of W. A. Science Fiction Association. Rebecca Kirkman gidget@tartarus.uwa.edu.au. Box 59 c/o Guild of Undergraduates, University of Western Australia Nedlands 6907.
 The West Lodge Doctor Who Fan Club. P.O. Box 190 Mt Lawley 6050 E-Mail : 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

Jove Nods; Bullsheet Happens

Thanks to all of those who noted that it was indeed Andy Hooper, not Andy Porter who was standing for DUFF this year. The old neurons aren't what they used to be. Aren't they? What did they used to be? They used to be nephrons. Yes, I know, a pissweak excuse...

Deadline For #77

Tuesday May 27th.
Distribution Friday May 30th.

Fanzines Received

The Communicator #22 Derek Screen for Enterprise P.O. Box 466 World Trade Centre Melbourne Vic 3005 Swancon
Twenty Three Progress Report Two GPO Box 429 Perth WA 6841
Sydney Futurian #26 Ron Clarke P.O. Box K940 Haymarket NSW 2000

Web Pages

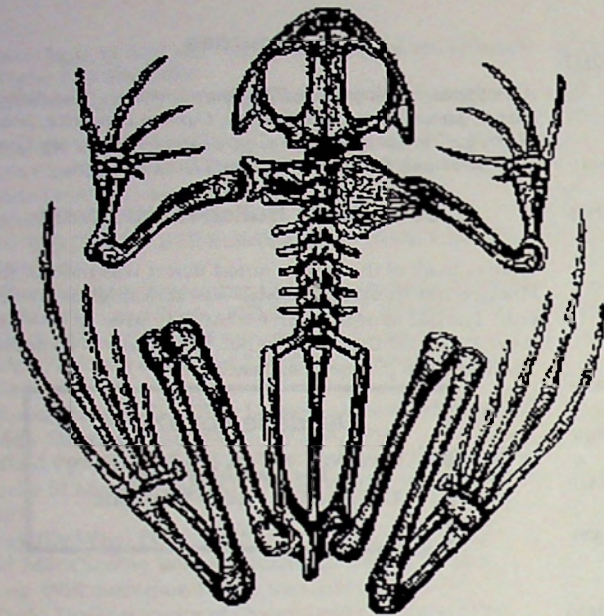
For a full listing,
<http://www.vicnet.net.au/~sfoz/zines.htm>

New Listings

Peter Booth
<http://www.ar.com.au/~szygy/choronzon.html>

Deadlines

ANZAPA 176	June 6 1997
Austrek Art Show	July 1 1997
Ditmars	September 19 1997
ASFMS (postal)	September 26 1997
ASFMS (on site)	4pm September 27 1997
Altair Competition	November 1 1997



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THE 1997 AUSTRALIAN SCIENCE
FICTION ACHIEVEMENT
AWARDS

The 1997 Australian Science Fiction Achievement Awards (Commonly known as Ditmars) will be presented at Basicon 2, the 36th Australian National Science Fiction Convention which will be held

from September 27-28 1997 at the YWCA Cato Conference Centre Melbourne .

During the nomination process, 42 members of the science fiction community made 222 nominations in the seven categories, (including the William Atheling Jr Award).

The nominators represented the following states

New South Wales	4
Queensland	4
Victoria	29
Western Australia	3
New Zealand	1

The New Zealand nomination was accepted as the nominator was a member in good standing of Basicon 2.

Attached is a copy of the voting form. It may be freely distributed, provided that it is copied verbatim and without alterations.

Please note that, in order to vote in the awards, the voter must be a member of Basicon 2. To join the convention, send \$20 with details of your name and address to
BasiCon 2 P.O. Box 567 Blackburn 3130.

Voting memberships only are available for \$10. They do not entitle you to convention publications, nor do they entitle you to attend the convention.

More information about the convention is available from that Post Office Box or at
<http://www.vicnet.net.au/~sfoz/basicon.htm>

1997 AUSTRALIAN SCIENCE FICTION ACHIEVEMENT (DITMAR) AWARDS

VOTING FORM

BEST AUSTRALIAN LONG FICTION (18 nominees 50 nominations)

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|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <i>Dreamweavers</i> | Paul Collins (ed) | (Penguin Books) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <i>The Memory Cathedral</i> | Jack Dann | (Bantam) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <i>Scarlet Rider</i> | Lucy Sussex | (Tor/Forge) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <i>Metal Fatigue</i> | Sean Williams | (Harper Collins) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | No Award | | |

BEST AUSTRALIAN SHORT FICTION (19 nominees 48 nominations)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | "The Sword of God" | Russell Blackford (<i>Dreamweavers</i>
Paul Collins (ed) Penguin Books) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | "The Ichneumon and the Dormeuse" | Terry Dowling (<i>Interzone 106</i>) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | "Borderline" | Leanne Frahm (<i>Borderline</i>
Mirrordanse Books) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <i>The Stray Cat</i> | Steven Paulsen (Lothian) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | No Award | |

BEST FANZINE (15 nominees 36 nominations)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | <i>The Communicator</i> | Derek Screen |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <i>Emerald City</i> | Cheryl Morgan |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <i>Oscillation Overthruster</i> | Sue Ann Barber |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <i>Pinkette</i> | Karen Pender-Gunn |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <i>Science Fiction</i> | Van Ikin |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <i>Thyme</i> | Alan Stewart |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | No Award | |

BEST FAN WRITER
(10 nominees 26 nominations)

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|--------------------------|-------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Terry Frost |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Bruce Gillespie |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Ian Gunn |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Cheryl Morgan |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Karen Pender-Gunn |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | No Award |

BEST FAN ARTIST
(9 nominees 27 nominations)

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|--------------------------|-----------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Ian Gunn |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Steve Scholz |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Kerri Valkova |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Phil Wlodarczyk |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | No Award |

BEST PROFESSIONAL ARTWORK (5 nominees 15 nominations)

- Trudi Canavan for art in *Aurealis 17* and *Eidolon 22/23*
- Norm & Margaret Hetherington for *Mr Squiggle* ABC TV
- Elizabeth Kyle Cover of *Dreamweavers*
- Shaun Tan for artwork in *Eidolon* and the cover of *The Stray Cat*
- Jason Towers for "Valdo Over Evora" cover *Australian Realms 28*
- No Award

WILLIAM ATHELING JR. AWARD FOR CRITICISM OR REVIEW (11 nominees 20 nominations)

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- Janeen Webb for "Post human SF: Lost In Cyberspace" (*The Festival of Imagination Programme Book*)
- No Award

The 1997 Australian Science Fiction Achievement Awards (popularly known as the Ditmars) are for works done in 1996 by Australians.

To vote for the Ditmar Awards you must be a member of Basicon 2, the 1997 Australian National Science Fiction Convention.

The optional preferential voting system is used so please number, from 1, your choices in each category that you wish to vote in. It is not necessary to vote in all categories or number all nominees in a category.

You must complete the following for your vote to be considered valid:

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

I am a member of Basicon 2

Enclosed is \$10 for voting membership in Basicon 2 Cheques to be made out to "Basicon"

If you wish to join Basicon 2 as a normal attending member please use the general membership form and contact them directly at Basicon 2, P.O.Box 567, Blackburn, Victoria, 3130, Australia.

All ballots must reach the Awards Subcommittee by Friday 19th September 1997.

Send Votes to: DITMAR VOTES:— Marc Ortlieb
 PO BOX 215
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