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Contest

Bob Riel provides the following information about the 17th Annual Science Fiction Writers of Earth SF/F Short Story Contest. "It's a unique international competition open only to *unpublished* authors, i.e., those who have never received \$\$\$ for a published piece of fiction. And it's truly cosmopolitan, with entries from the US, UK, Canada, Germany, Australia, New Zealand, even Sri Lanka. Last year Australia took out 2nd place, the Yanks claimed 1st, 3rd, and 4th, with a Pom and a Canadian in the top ten. There's a bit of a rivalry developed betwixt Oz and the Brits - they beat us in '95, but in '96 we out polled them for entries and relegated them to fifth. This year, though, they're planning to blitz us (I'm in e-mail contact with Dilip Agarwal, the Londoner who's coordinating their effort). Plus I understand that Grand Master Arthur Clarke Hissell is pushing the Sri Lankans. I've made an arrangement with Contest Administrator Gil Reis in Texas, USA, to accept entry fees in AUD (A\$6.50 for the first entry, \$3.00 for each additional), which saves currency conversion costs and covers postage to the US, (though not IRC's for results). Prizes are US\$200/100/50, and results appeared last year in Locus, Science Fiction Chronicle, and other neat places. Deadline is 30 October. Anyone interesting in joining the Australian side can get entry forms by sending an SSAE to SFWoE, C/- Rob Riel, 11 Kepler Street, Wulguru, QLD, 4811, or check out their website at <http://www.flash.net/~sfwoe>.

Bullsheet Media Watch

Lucy Sussex has a review of in *The Saturday Age* 17/5/97 Jack Dann notes "Some good news. *The Memory Cathedral* is #2 on the best seller list here in Australia." *The English Patient* is #1 and *The God of Small Things* is #3. *The Age* 17/5/97" P.S. on May 24th, *The Memory Cathedral* made #1.

Aussiecon Three

Perry Middlemiss reports "At the May committee meeting of the Melbourne-based Aussiecon Three committee the following appointments were made: Club Liaison - Beverley Hope; Airline Liaison - Michael Jordan; Australian Database - Jamie Reuel"

Convention News

Swancon 23 have announced their major GoH Lois McMaster Bujold to subscribe to their e-mail list, send a message to listserv@gu.uwa.edu.au with the following

single line in the body of the message: subscribe swancon <Your Real Name>substituting your real name for <Your Real Name>

Up coming 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 July 18-20 1997 Mercure Hotel, Brisbane GoH Michael O'Hare (Commander Sinclair, Babylon 5) full membership \$105 until May 31 supporting \$30 776 Cavendish Rd Holland Park 4121 Qld
<http://www.dcc.net.au/eh2>
 Email E.Parry@hum.gu.edu.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 Mercure 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): Sophie Aldred (Ace) Edmund Barton Convention Centre, South Road, Moorabbin. \$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: Lois McMaster Bujold 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 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.

Event Information

Susan Smith Clarke sent the following piece.

"Star Trek: The Exhibit-be a part of it!

You can be part of Star Trek: The Exhibit, the
blockbuster new ST exhibition coming to the Powerhouse
Museum! The Powerhouse is looking for enthusiastic fans
to act as volunteer guides/ explainers within the
exhibition on both weekdays and weekends between
September and February.

If you are over 18, live within easy reach of
Sydney, are prepared to make a regular commitment of
your time and love to tell people about Star Trek
(especially if you have prior experience in public contact),
then we'd love to hear from you. The museum will provide
full training, a volunteer benefits program and, if you don't
have your own ST costume, a Star Fleet uniform for you to
wear on duty in the exhibition.

At the moment, we are preparing a register of
interested volunteers: interviews and final selection will
take place within a few months. If you would like to be
considered as a Star Trek volunteer, then please contact the
Powerhouse Museum's Volunteer Co-ordinator, Lorraine
Barlow, on (02)92170386.

Could You Be a Federation Ambassador?

Do you have a blockbuster Star Trek costume?
Would you like to be invited to the opening night of the
Powerhouse Museum's blockbuster Star Trek exhibition?

Then you could be just the fan we're looking for!

The Powerhouse is seeking fans with highly
detailed and authentic Star Trek costumes to act as
'Federation Ambassadors' for the exhibition's opening
night. You need to have a great costume, not be media shy,
and be prepared to act as a guide/host during the
evening's festivities. If you think this could be you, please
send a photo of yourself in costume, with a brief outline of
any previous public contact/media experience you may have
had to:

Kerrie Dougherty, Curator of Space Technology,
Powerhouse Museum, P.O. Box K346, Haymarket NSW
2000

The museum will select a small group of fans from
all applications received by July 31, to act as Federation
Ambassadors on opening night, September 25."

Jane Routley will be signing at Slow Glass Books
on Friday 13th June.

Club News

Sian O'Neale provides an update on Dr Who Clubs around
the country. "Keith Walker is trying to get a new Dr Who
Club off the ground as the Wagga DWFC failed...The Time
Lords club has also closed down because editor/president
Lee Zachariah is studying for his VCE this year. The
Canberra DW Club has also closed down."

Star Walking has announced the nominations for
its Obie Awards (The Second National Star Trek
Achievement Awards) Nominees are

Amateur Writing: Katharine Maxwell, Peter Roberts.
Jeremy Sadler, Malcolm Trebilco, Jan Wilson.

Amateur Costume: Gus Araya, Alison Barton, Marjorie
Cammer, Michael Wilson.

Amateur Art: Darren Reid, Catherine Scholz, Michael
Wilson.

Amateur Hard/Soft Craft: Rae Avery, John Gatt, Emily
Martin, Wendy Wadsworth, Michael Wilson

Amateur Audio/Visual: Justin Dix, H. Gibbens, H. Gibbens
& Danny Heap, Darren Maxwell.

Professional Writing: Carolyn Golledge.

Professional Costume: Dave Hankin, Drew Senior, Leigh
Senior.

Professional Art: Tony Bela, Hugh Fleming, Matthew
Hatton.

Professional Hard/Soft Craft: Gary Armstrong

Voting is open to members of Force Two and to
members of Star Walking Inc. Votes close on May 30

Other Events

ACT.

Canberra SFS ph (06) 288 6391 (ah) PO Box 47, Civic
Square ACT 2608

N.S.W.

Southern Science Fiction Group June 21 12.30 Mortdale
Hotel Bistro Contact 15 Shade Place Lugarno (02) 534-3595.
Sydney Skyforce August 30 1-5pm Sydney University
Contact Hector - 0411 363 5021 PO Box 804 Kensington

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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
Futurian Society of Sydney 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
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.

Qld

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
Highlander July 20 10 am to 4.00 pm Metro Arts 109
Edward St Brisbane Newsletter *The Buzz*
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

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
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*, annual fanzine *Jethryk*

Victoria

MSFC 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 31st. 2nd screening of
the first 7 episodes of SERIES 4 of Babylon 5 Computer
Science Lecture Theatre, basement, Computer Science
Building, 221 Bourverie St. (On the other side of Grattan
Street from the 'main' Uni of Melbourne Campus) GPO Box
4782UU Melbourne 3001 email:
borad@yoyo.cc.monash.edu.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 Daemoniacs 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 McGann
P.O. Box 706 Frankston Vic 3199 015 510 159
Jane Routley Book Signing June 13 6.30 pm Slow Glass
Books, 305 Swanston St Melbourne
Australian Babylon 5 Fan Club June 14 Ballarat Meeting at

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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*.

Enterprise June 28 Starfleet Olympics Horticultural Society Hall 31 Victoria St Melbourne Vic P.O. Box 466 World Trade Centre Melbourne 3005 (03) 9583 7404 enterprise@minerals.csiro.au

The Second Annual Costumers' Ball July 26th Streeton Room, The Centre Ivanhoe, 275 Upper Heidelberg Rd Ivanhoe. P.O. Box 322 Bentleigh Vic 3204 email stilskin@netspace.net.au

Skyforce (Star Wars) August 9 Copeland Theatre Economics & Commerce Building Uni of Melbourne 1.00 to 5.00 pm P.O. Box 427 Northcote 3070 Email Address: daren.maxwell@tmca.com.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 Launder 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 Melb. 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

Phyrene Fisher Club P.O. Box 41 West Brunswick 3055

Red Dwarf Fan Club P.O. Box 1044 Bundoora 3083

W.A.

Swancon Freeform May 31 1pm 1 Archdeacon St, Nedlands Set in 1930's Egypt Costs: \$4 con members \$5 non-con members If you're interested in playing, please contact Grant Watson (nzone@iinet.net.au, or by phone on 9390 8472) by Thursday.

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: nzone@iinet.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

Fanzines Received

The Captain's Log 237 Rose Mitchell for Austrek GPO Box 5206AA Melbourne 3001 *Strange Matter* #19 Sian O'Neale 185 Kooyong Rd Toorak 3142 *Emerald City* #21 Cheryl Morgan cherylmorgan@compuserve.com or <http://www.emcit.com>

Web Pages

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

Moved

Australian Writer's Web

<http://www.ozramp.net.au/~aplank/Writers.htm>

Susan Smith-Clarke

<http://www.fandom.net/~Susan/index.html>

Dr Who Club of Victoria

<http://www.ipax.com.au/~dave/dwcv/>

Event Horizon

<http://www.dcc.net.au/eh2>

Terry Frost

<http://netspace.com.au/~hlector>

Deadlines

Obies	May 30th 1997
ANZAPA 176	June 6 1997
Austrek Art Show	July 1 1997
Ditmars	September 19 1997
ASFMAS (postal)	September 26 1997
ASFMAS (on site)	4pm September 27 1997
SFWoE SF/F Story Contest	30 October
Altair Competition	November 1 1997

Sources

Alan Stewart, Warpspeed, Susan Smith Clarke, John Crnjanin, Sian O'Neale, Jack Dani, Bob Riel

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Tuesday June 10th.
Distribution Friday June 13th.