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In Print

Steve Paulsen reports "I've just heard that Gazelle Books in the UK will be distributing my young adult dark fantasy book *The Stray Cat* in Britain. On top of this, I've just received my author's copy of the Bahasia Indonesian edition, and we're currently in negotiations with two European publishers. All editions will include Shaun Tan's wonderful illustrations. Shaun is currently going from strength to strength, having just completed a picture book with Gary Crew called *The Viewer*, he is currently working on a picture book with John Marsden."

The new U.S. based *Bloodsongs 8* has reached local distributors. It includes short fiction by Kirstyn McDermott, Renny Williams, Ian Mond, Carolyn Logan and Stephen Dedman.

Gunny is Crook

Ian Gunn has been undergoing tests for a tumour. He notes "I don't have a Lymphatic Tumour. What I've got is a Metastatic Undifferentiated Carcinoma, which basically means that they've got no idea where the hell it came from. Just sheer luck that my DNA went awry. Stupid bloody design flaw and I don't approve of it at all.

There's also a couple of lumps in the belly (hence the tummy ache) and - oh joy! - one on the liver.

So anyway, I go into hospital on Wednesday for some rather severe Chemo which has fun side-effects like drowsiness, vomiting, hairloss and a reduction in fertility. (Wednesday morning I see a little man with a jar and some interesting magazines to ensure that we can still have kids one day.)

Three weeks later I go back for some more of the same, then they CAT scan to see if there's any improvement and we take it from there.

The doc says there's a 60-70% chance that people respond to treatment. If they do respond there's a 50% chance they're cured, and a 50% chance they get better but require further treatment.

Now, to all those who said they'd do anything to help here is an official call for volunteers to run Basicon 2. I don't think I'll be able to cope, and Karen's stressed enough looking after me. The groundwork has been laid, we've booked the venue, got a lot of the programme items and aren't that far off breaking even membershipwise.

All that needs doing is to work out the programming, crosstape the video programme, recruit more members and generally just run the thing. We can help coordinate stuff, we've got the spreadsheets and lists,

but doing the whole thing ourselves (a breeze under normal circumstances) may prove to be beyond us.

Volunteers, please take one step forward. "

Bullsheets Media Watch

Lucy Sussex takes a second look at Mary Braddon's *Lady Audley's Secret* in *The Sunday Age* 29/6/97. In his review of the video release of *Star Trek: First Contact*, (*Herald/Sun* 3/7/97) Stephen Bourbon says "...If the best thing about my Saturday night is the promise of some action between a synthetic human and an alien, I'm not getting out enough.

And maybe that's true of Trekkies everywhere." We might make a decent fan writer of the man yet...

Cue in *The Sunday Age* 6/7/97 has an article on Melbourne Fan Clubs, and includes mention of Force 2, Gallifrey and the X-Files, along with the Barbra Streisand & Bing Crosby fan clubs. Shane Morrissey gets quoted.

Expatriate Aussie Judith Hanna has been hitting the *New Scientist* lettercol again, providing a critique of an article examining the links between toxic chemicals and crime

Powerhouse Display

The Powerhouse Museum's blockbuster new display *Star Trek: the Exhibit* will open on September 26 and run until Feb 3 next year. Developed by Star Traveller Inc. of Canada, the exhibition will feature the most comprehensive collection of original *Star Trek* objects ever displayed in the 30 year history of the series. It will include material from every series and all eight movies, including a special feature of Borg material from *First Contact!* The display will include a full-scale recreation of the original series bridge, the Transporter Room and Picard's Ready Room from *TNG*, as well as Quark's Bar from *DS9!*

The Powerhouse is looking for enthusiastic fans to act as volunteer guides/ explainers within the exhibition on both weekdays and weekends between September 1997 and February 1998.

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. The closing date for expressions of interest for the first round of selection is July 31. Interviews and selection will take place in August. 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.

The Powerhouse is also 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:

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Kerrie Dougherty, Curator of Space Technology,
Powerhouse Museum, P.O. Box K346, Haymarket NSW
1238

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

The exhibition will be going to Victoria next
Easter, and then going to Queensland.

The Science of Star Trek

As part of the lead up to the opening of Star Trek:
the Exhibit, the Powerhouse Museum will present a public
lecture on 'The Science of Star Trek' by leading SETI
researcher Dr. Seth Shostak. Dr. Shostak, the Public
Programs Scientist at the SETI Institute in California, is a
radio astronomer who has specialised in science
communication for many years. He is a member of the
Project Phoenix team, observing both at Parkes and at
Phoenix's latest home, the 140 foot radio telescope at the
National Radio Astronomy Observatory in Green Bank,
West Virginia.

His talk on the science of Star Trek will present a
light hearted look at the science fact and the scientific
fiction found throughout the Star Trek universe.

The talk will be held on July 26 at 1pm in the
Powerhouse Museum's Coles Theatre. Bookings required,
please phone the PHM booking line on (02)92170100. Dr.
Shostak's talk will be free with entry to the museum.

Aussiecon Three

Nothing new to report. No sign of a progress
report yet.

Convention News

James Allen reports on the Lost In Space Winter
Convention which will occur in Melbourne on Sunday
August 24th 1997 at St Hilda's College Auditorium,
College Crescent Parkville. More information call LISA
Hotline (02) 9759 3507.

Fan Doings

British fans Eve & John Harvey have been holidaying in
the Antipodes. They managed to spend most of their
housekeeping on Australian wines in the Coonawarra as
part of Justin Ackroyd's mobile 40th birthday party and
were sociable with an assortment of older fans at Pery &
Robyn Middlemiss's place.

Up coming Conventions

Event Horizon I I July 18-20 1997 Mercure Hotel, Brisbane
GoH Michael O'Hare (Commander Sinclair, Babylon 5)
David Malin (an Australian astronomer) Sandra Brucker
(Publisher of the e-fanzine Zocalo) full membership \$115,
\$65 day memberships, supporting \$30 776 Cavendish Rd
Holland Park 4121 Qld <http://www.dcc.net.au/eh2>
Email E.Parry@hum.gu.edu.au

Lost In Space Winter Convention August 24 St Hilda's
College Auditorium, College Crescent Parkville. Contact
LISA Hotline (02) 9759 3507.

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 Honour (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@onastralia.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.

Club News

James Allen reports " The MSFC Mid-Winter BBQ
has been postponed, from Sat 28th June to a future date to
be announced. It is also seeking a suitable venue, possibly
somewhere where a large fire can be built. Suggestions
welcome.

I helped moved some of Cheryl Morgan's stuff this
morning. She will be missed. She will also be replaced as
MSFC treasurer soon."

Other Events

A.C.T.

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

N.S.W.

Southern Science Fiction Group July 19 2.00pm Soup and video Contact 15 Shade Place Lugarno (02) 534-3595.

The Science of Star Trek July 26 1pm The Powerhouse Museum's Coles Theatre. Bookings required, please phone the PHM booking line on (02)92170100.

Sydney Skyforce August 30 1-5pm Sydney University Contact Hector - 0411 363 5021 PO Box 804 Kensington NSW 2033 Email hbocaz@mail.usyd.edu.au

Star Trek: the Exhibit September 26 1997 to February 3 1998 The Powerhouse Museum

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.

The Other Thursday Night Group The Elysee Coffee Lounge (corner Pitt and Bathurst Streets) followed by dinner.

Q.L.D.

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

Conquest August 3 Metro Arts 109 Edward St Brisbane GPO Box 13676 Brisbane Qld 4001

Hyperion August 9 5.30 pm - 10 pm Metro Arts 109 Edward St Brisbane (07) 3341 0307

Babylon 5 Series 4 Screening August 10 11.00am to 5.00pm.QRI (Queensland Railway Institute) Conference Room, next to Central Railway Station in the city.

http://www.cth.com.au/usr/timelord/images/maps.jpg

RSVP to timelord@mail.cth.com.au

Queensland Star Trekkers (Quest) August 10 12.00 to 4.00 pm Metro Arts 109 Edward St Brisbane GPO Box 2084 Brisbane 4001

New Alliance August 17 P.O. Box 7446 East Brisbane Qld 4169

Brisbane Dr Who Fan Club August 17 Queensland Rail Institute Center, Brisbane Central Station PO Box 10308, Adelaide Street, Brisbane QLD 4000. email

timelord@closer.brisnet.org.au

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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Sastrek July 26 Star Trek Get Together 7.30pm Baptist Hall, Church St., Norwood. Star Trek P.O. Box 369 North

Adelaide S.A. 5006 (08 337 8759). Sastrek@bigfoot.com (Please note Change of E-Mail address)

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

South Australian Doctor Who Fan Club PO Box 3227, Adelaide, SA, 5000 (08) 294 8337 (Jeremia Boddey,

president) Monthly meetings. Fanzine *Chamelcon Factor* ; newsletter *Wall of Lies*, annual fanzine *Jethryk*

Victoria

MSFC July 18 Male Characters in SF on screen. July 25 Who's for a Hugo? July 26 Dinner at the Maori Chief,

August 1 Soup of the Evening 8.00pm St David's Church Hall 74 Melville Rd West Brunswick P.O. Box 212 World

Trade Centre Melbourne 3005

Enterprise July 26 Ice Skating Myer Music Bowl

Horticultural Society Hall 31 Victoria St Melbourne Vic P.O. Box 466 World Trade Centre Melbourne 3005 (03) 9583

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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

Time Trekkers August 1 General Meeting 46 Sternberg St Bendigo P.O. Box 334 Bendigo 3550.

Nova Mob August 6 13 Frederick St Brunswick.

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: darren.maxwell@tmca.com.au

www.xavier.vic.edu.au/starwalking

Austrek August 9 Art Show 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

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

Dandenong Science Fiction Society August 13 Video Night Ann McGann P.O. Box 706 Frankston Vic 3199 015 510 159 luddite@yoyo.cc.monash.edu.au

Australian Babylon 5 Fan Club P.O. Box 41 West Brunswick 3055 Fanzine *Babbling On* Email James Allen@vut.edu.au or bfive@VNET.ibm.com

Australian Costumers Guild Telephone (03)9557 7088 P.O. Box 322 Bentleigh Vic 3204 email stilskin@netspace.net.au http://www.vicnet.net.au/~costume/

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

The Daemoniacs Club P.O. Box 1528 Collingwood Vic 3066

Doctor Who Club of Victoria_GPO Box 4782UU Melbourne 3001 email: borad@yoyo.cc.monash.edu.au 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

The X-Files Fan Club of Australia Locked Bag 1013, Flemington, 3031. Fanzine *The Field Journal*.

W.A.

The Neutral Zone PO Box 1169, Bibra Lake, WA, 6965.. Phone (09) 434 4167, email: nzzone@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

Fanzines Received

The Captain's Log 237 Rose Mitchell for Austrek GPO Box 5206AA Melbourne 3001. *The Communicator* #23 Derek Screen for Enterprise P.O. Box 466 World Trade Centre Melbourne 3005 *The Instrumentality June 1997* Mark Loney for the Australian Science Fiction foundation P.O. Box 215 Forest Hill Vic 3131 *Mimezine Flashback* #10 Terry Frost 1/11 Halpin St West Brunswick Vic 3055 hlector@netspace.net.au

Web Pages

For a full listing,

http://www.vicnet.net.au/~sfoz/zines.htm

New Listings

Alliance (the Star Walking fanzine)

http://www.ozemail.com.au/~jsadler/alliance/main.html

Australian Science Fiction Calendar

http://www.vicnet.net.au/~sfoz/1997cal.htm

Bullsheet Back Issues

http://www.geocities.com/CapeCanaveral/7106/zinelist.htm#b

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Frontier

http://www.ozemail.com.au/~jsadler/frontier/

Kim Huett

http://www.mindspring.com/~huntzinger/rub.html

Deadlines

ANZAPA 177	August 8 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

CoAs

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Sources

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