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EVENT HORIZON 9/8/8/8/6 9/8/8/8/8/8/6/

23 September - Saturday - ANDROMEDA BOOKSHOP of 57 Summer Row, Birmingham are pleased to announce the opening of a new extension at 55 Summer Row. The new shop will be opened at 11 am by HARRY HARRISON who will then be signing copies of his two new books, THE STAINLESS STEEL RAT WANTS YOU and MECHANISMO.

14 September - Thursday - A report on the British Interpanetary Society Star probe study PROJECT DAEDELUS from two of the study group Alan Bond and Tony Martin. The venue is the Botany/Zoology common room of Imperial College at 7-30pm.

## BIS LECTURES ((((((())))))

11 October - Wednesday - Film Show. "Reading the moon's secret's", "Mercury exploration of a planet", "HEAO, the New Universe", and "Images of life".

17 October - Wednesday- An AMERICAN VIEW OF SETI by Dr John Billingham Chief of the NASA CETI program.

Both the above meetings are in the Botany lecture theatre of University College, Gower St, London WC1 from 6.30 to 8.30 pm.

30 September - Saturday - SFANCON - one day convention in (..um.. ...er...) somewhere in Belgium. Still it does have RobHoldstock as guest of honour.

## EUROCON 4 %%\8\8\8\8\8\8\8\8\8\%

1st to 5th November at the free University of Brussels, Dept of Sociology. Guests of honour A.E. VAN VOGT and KELLY FREAS. Attending membership is 1000 Belgian Francs to EUROCON 4, c/o Bernard Gordon, P.O.B. 33, UCCLE 4, 1180 Brussels, Belgium.

Accomodation available from 200 BF per night. Despite pleading from British fans the dates of this con still clash with NOVACON.

## SILICON III REPORT

About 50 of the more degenerate members of British Fandom assembled in Newcastle to enjoy themselves doing nothing in particular. Nothing in particular turned out to be surprisingly energetic involving a disco, charades and a tv football competition in which Simone Walsh donned her agressive "seamonster" personality to defeat Graham 'bites yer leg' Poole in the final. The only bad point for me remains a nightmare recollection of performing a Frank Spencer imitation while playing goalkeeper in the five a side football competition (roll on a nice restfull Eastercon).

INTERCON REPORT

The 1978 STAR TREK convention was held last weekend in the Fulcrum centre at Slough. Due to a somewhat erroneous report in the Daily mirror and the prescence of guest speakers Anthony Daniels (C3FO) and Dave Prouse (Darth Vader) there was a considerable attendance from outside Trekdom, which gave the con a somewhat unusual atmosphere. Even the dealer's room was unusual due to the abscence of Rog Peyton, busy with his new extension (no to his shop!).

A great many familiar faces in Trekdom itself were absent. The fashion show and fancy dress were sparse, and the program contained nothing exceptional and no major surprises. Even the Fulcrum's bar suffered except in he sale of soft drinks. The convention was

despite all this an enjoyable event.

Judy Mortimor

SOCIAL COLUMN

Well known SF, games and D&D fan John Mansfield has finally failed to make his saving throw and has married. Luckily the mysterious Linda who began to crop up in John's games newsletter several issues back is also a D&D and SF fan so we can still hope to see him on flying visits from Canada at future conventions.

GAMES %%%%%%

The long awaited ADVANCED DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS player's guide has arrived in this country and is available from games Workshop, 1 Dalling Rd, London W 6. No major modifications have been made to the game though fighter's and cleric's abilities have been improved somewhat. The book is much clearer than the previous rulex and better laid out. My main reservation is that the combat rules have not been tidied up enough and some of the required new combat tables are not included but are in the referees guide which will be published around christmas. Lots of new magic spells though. Cost £6-95

Non games fans may be interested in two recent issues of the gameszine THE DRAGON, vol III no's 1 and 2 contains a Harold Shea "Incomplete Enchanter" story by Fletcher Pratt and Sprague  $D_e$  Camp entitled THE GREEN MAGICIAN.

BOOKS %%/%/%/

POLLY AND KELLY FREAS are publishing a line of illustrated paperback collector's editions at 4-95 dollars each. The address is The Donning Company, 253 West Bute St, Norfolk Virginia.