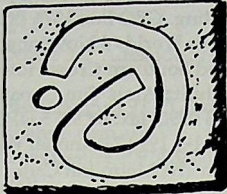


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In Print

Greg Egan has a story, "Oceanic" in the August 98 Asimov's. Chuck McKenzie writes to note that Hybrid Publishers has accepted his novel *Worlds Apart* and that it is due for release in July 1999 [just in time for Aussiecon Three]. Chuck describes the novel, the first in a trilogy, as one "which runs in much the same vein as the Red Dwarf and Hitch-Hiker's Guide to the Galaxy books." and he cites Robert Sheckley as an influence. He is available for interviews etc. contact him on (03) 9587-7769.

Bullsheet Media Watch

Jane Sullivan discusses horror in *The Sunday Age* 19/7/98 and includes a section on Australian horror, plus a photo of "Hot Goth" Kim Wilkins. *Slow Glass Books* was the background for a photograph of Terry Pratchett in the *Herald Sun* 15/7/98. Race Matthews had a letter in the *Age* 17/7/98. Various media outlets, including ABC Television and Radio 3LO have been covering Gerry Anderson's visit to Australia in conjunction with a display of Thunderbirds related material. *The Sunday Age* 26/7/98. included a photo of puppet Scott Tracy. Yvonne Rousseau had a letter mentioning Barbara Ker Wilson's novel *Jane Austen in Australia* in the July 98 *Australian Book Review*.

Gunny Watch

Karen Pender Gunn reports "Ian is out of hospital at last, he came home yesterday afternoon. He may have blood filtering at the Alfred next week. He has to have a blood test at Box Hill hospital at 7 tomorrow morning to find out. The infection that put him into hospital for 4 days was unknown. He did get a private room for two nights so he got some sleep, the lucky sod!"

Travellers

Assorted Australian fans have reported phone calls from the peripatetic Terry Frost. Could it be that the lad is getting homesick?

Aussiecon Three

The second issue of *Voice of the Platypus* is now available. It includes assorted useful information about the convention. PR #2 is at the printers and should be out in mid-August. There are various changes in the pipeline - for regular updates, check their excellent Web Site <http://www.aussiecon3.worldcon.org>. Current attending rate is only \$200, which, for a five day convention, is superb value, especially considering the number of people who you can expect to visit for the convention.

Fan Funds

Cheryl Morgan notes the progress of DUFF winner Terry Frost "Having thoroughly enjoyed Westercon, Mr. Frost presented himself at the Business Meeting and moved to amend the Bylaws so that the convention could be held in Australia so that he might enjoy it more frequently. After much spirited debate and considerable hilarity the motion was passed subject to a proviso of Mr. Yalow's that it not take effect until such time as Australia has been annexed by the US or the US has been annexed by Australia. Convention attendees later commented that they had not enjoyed a business meeting so much in ages.

The following Monday Terry came to BASFA. In view of the Westercon decision, I moved that BASFA instruct our ambassadors to the US Congress (Mr. Roger Wells) and Australia (Mr. Stephen Boucher) to contact the relevant authorities at their convenience and see what they



could do to hasten an annexation one way or the other. Mr. Wells has responded that he will be in Washington later this month and will see what he can do. We have yet to hear from Mr. Boucher.

Later in the same meeting it came time to make Terry an ambassador (something we do to all unsuspecting foreign visitors). Given that we already have an ambassador to Australia (the aforementioned Mr. Boucher), Trey Haddad suggested that we make Terry our ambassador to "Australia at Avignon" and that he be known as the "anti-ambassador". For some reason this latter point appealed greatly to him.

Subsequent days were spent sight seeing in San Francisco. Terry claims that he spent time in Alcatraz.

Terry was last seen being put on the train for Seattle where he will be entertained by Jerry Kaufman, Janice Murray, Andy Hooper and other notables. No news reports of untoward incidents have been received and Jeanne Mealy says she is expecting him in Minneapolis shortly.

Meanwhile, back with Westercon, Australian fans may be interested to know that the 2000 convention will be held on Waikiki Beach in Hawaii (well, in the Sheraton which is right on the beach). GoH is Dan Simmons and we expect a fair few other authors to turn up. Projected membership is around 1000. Membership rates will be published in A\$ and NZ\$ shortly. More information can be obtained via the SFSFC web site (www.sfsfc.org), and whilst you are there don't forget to check out progress on our fabulous Worldcon bid (shameless plug)."

Ian Gunn says "I've been reliably informed by a source very close to Claire Brialey (i.e. Claire herself) that while she intends coming to Aussiecon Three she doesn't wish to run for GUFF. I feel that this, however, should not prevent people cajoling her further. Or indeed cajoling anyone else."

Convention News

Conquest 98 note that, due to the poor status of the Australian dollar, they have had to cancel one of their Guests of Honour, Peter Jurasik. Consequently, they have dropped their full attending rate to \$200.

Upcoming Conventions

BucCONeer 56th World Science Fiction Convention. August 5-9 1998, Baltimore Convention Center and Inner Harbor hotels, Baltimore, Maryland, USA. GOHs: C.J. Cherryh, Milt Rothman, Stanley Schmidt, and Michael Whelan, Special Guest: J. Michael Straczynski, Toastmaster: Charles Sheffield. Attending US\$165, Supporting US\$30, Children 4-12 US\$85 BucCONeer, P.O. Box 314, Annapolis Junction, Maryland 20701 USA. E-mail: bucconeer@bucconeer.worldcon.org
URL: <http://www.bucconeer.worldcon.org>
Ozcon 7 Comic book convention September 26-27
Venue: Centrepont Convention Centre Sydney
Conquest 98 October 9-11 1998 Mercure Hotel Brisbane

GsoH., Walter Koenig (Bester), Judy Levitt, Richard Arnold \$200 attending. GPO Box 1376 Brisbane Qld 4001
Best Of Both Worlds 4 November 21 - 22 1998 University of Sydney, and Southern Cross Hotel NSW GsoH Jason Carter Dwight Schultz Amis Tim Choate Jerry Doyle
ph: 02 9453 0290 fax: 02 9975 6043 EMAIL: nlc.net.au
ICon April 1-5 1999 24 Annual Western Australian Convention The Metro Inn Canning Highway South Perth
GsoH Jack Dann, Sean Williams, Janny Wurts Special Guests, Don Maitz & Janeen Webb, Fan Guest Dave Luckett \$70 until October 11 GPO Box G429 Perth WA 6841
<http://www.iinet.net.au/~swancon/>
ackerman@multiline.com.au
Force Three June 12-14 1999 3rd National Star Wars Convention Karralyka Centre Ringwood Vict GsoH tba \$150 until 1/6/99. P.O. Box 427 Northcote Vic 3070 (03) 9416-8998
<http://www.imageworks.com.au/starwalking>
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 Attending \$200 Supporting \$45 Child in tow \$45
email info@aussiecon3.worldcon.org
<http://www.aussiecon3.worldcon.org>
Chicon 2000 The 58th World Science Fiction Convention August 31 to September 4 2000 - Hyatt Regency Chicago IL GsoH Ben Bova, Bob Eggleton, Jim Baen, Bob and Anne Passovoy, Toastmaster: Harry Turtledove
P. O. Box 642057, Chicago IL 60664, fax: 312-946-3779
<http://www.chicon.org/>
GoH = Guest of Honour
O.C.P. = Other Commitments Permitting
tba= to be announced.

Club News

David Barker notes that Enterprise, has changed it's web page and contact phone number. New URL: <http://www.vicnet.net.au/~enterprise/>. The contact phone number is (03) 9515 3226 (7pm to 10pm only)

Events

N.S.W.

Infinitas Bookshop SF Discussion Group August 6 7:30, 5/1 Horwood Place Parramatta
Southern Science Fiction Group August 15 2-00pm 15 Shade Place Lugarno (02) 534-3595.
Sydney Skyforce August 16 10am-5pm Lidcombe Catholic Workmen's Club, 24 John Street, Lidcombe PO Box 804 Kensington NSW 2033 (03) 9416 89981
Futurian Society of Sydney August 21 7:00 Room 1615 Broadway Tower, University of Technology Sydney
<http://ftoomsh.progsoc.uts.edu.au/~ian/writings.html>.

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Vortex August 2 Red Cross Centre 397 Adelaide St G.P.O.
Box 2004 Brisbane 4001
Queensland Star Trekkers (Quest) August 9 GPO Box 2084
Brisbane 4001 Email water@thehub.com.au
Conquest September 6 Red Cross Centre 409 Adelaide St
GPO Box 1376 Brisbane Qld 4001
Highlander September 20 Red Cross Centre 409 Adelaide St
Postal address 11 Perrett St Bundamba Qld 4304
sonjav@powerup.com.au Newsletter *The Buzz*

Victoria

MSFC July 31 tba. August 7 Animation Film and Video +
Food August 14 Book Club 8.00pm St David's Church Hall
74 Melville Rd West Brunswick P.O. Box 212 World Trade
Centre Melbourne 3005
Friday Night Mob July 31. August 7 ANZAPA collection
night August 14 ANZAPA distribution 6-7.30pm. Informal
eating and nattering. Myers Cafeteria Melbourne
Austrek August 1 2pm Art Show St. Marks Church hall, Cnr
Canterbury & Burke Roads, Camberwell. email:
austrek@vicnet.net.au GPO Box 5206AA Melbourne 3001
Nova Mob August 5 First dinner at about 6:00pm at The
Arian Restaurant on Sydney Road, followed by the meeting
at about 8:00pm at 13 Frederick St Brunswick.
Dark City Opening Night August 6 7:00pm. Village Centre,
206 Bourke St Melbourne Adults \$9.50, Children \$7.50
Multiverse <http://www.vicnet.net.au/~multivrs/>
multiverse@vicnet.net.au
Time Trekkers August 7 St Lukes 46 Sternberg St Bendigo
P.O. Box 334 Bendigo Vic 3552
Skyforce (Star Wars) August 8 1-5 pm Melbourne Uni,
Copeland Theatre, Economics and Commerce Building P.O.
Box 427 Northcote 3070 Email Address:
darren.maxwell@tmca.com.au
<http://www.imageworks.com.au/starwalking>
Dandenong Science Fiction Society August 12 Dandenong
Library P.O. Box 706 Frankston Vic 3199 015 510 159
fax (03) 9787 0899 luddite@yoyo.cc.monash.edu.au
Third Annual Costumers' Ball August 15 6:30pm Streecon
Room, The Centre Ivanhoe. \$48. The Australian Costumers'
Guild P.O. Box 12345 A'Beckett St Melbourne 8006 Contact
Jane Tisell 98771190 for tickets
Armageddon August 19 6:45pm. Greater Union Russell
Cinemas, Melbourne Adults \$9.50, Children \$7.50
Multiverse web <http://www.vicnet.net.au/~multivrs/>
multiverse@vicnet.net.au
Mort August 20-22 and August 27-29 The Gordon Masonic
Halls, Moonee Ponds. \$12 (\$8 concession) 9342 3648 or
<http://warts.whitley.unimelb.edu.au/mort/> or
warts@whitley.unimelb.edu.au
Enterprise August 22 The Great Star Trek debate P.O. Box
466 World Trade Centre Melbourne 3005 (03) 9583 7404
enterprise@minerals.csiro.au

Richard Harland Signing August 27 Slow Glass Books 305
Swanston St Melbourne
Richard Harland Signing August 28 Minotaur Books
Melbourne
Australian Babylon 5 Fan Club September 20 12noon General
Meeting Room 21 Moonee Ponds Town Hall P.O. Box 610
Ballarat Vic 3353 Babbling On
xfive@ballarat.starway.net.au



Paper Fanzines

Year of the Vanishing Tiger Judith Hanna 15 Janson's Rd
London N15 4JU U.K. jehanna@gn.apc.org
Ultrawarp 31 Simon Mead for Time Trekkers P.O. Box 334
Bendigo Vic 3552
Voice of the Platypus 2 Paul Ewins for Aussiecon Three GPO
Box 1212K Melbourne Vic 3001
Conscript GPO Box 1376 Brisbane Qld 4001

Web Pages

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

New

WASFF Page
<http://www.iinet.net.au/~robin/wasff/index.html>
Geoff Maloney
<http://users.interact.net.au/~pmaal/bio.htm>
David Bofinger
<http://www.geocities.com/Athens/Troy/5799/futur.htm>

Moved

Enterprise
<http://www.vicnet.net.au/~enterprise/>

CoAs

Sally Yeoland notes "Just to let you know my new address: 4 Stephen Street, Preston 3072 from 2 July. My home phone no. is 9484 4352. yeoland@mira.net

John Bangsund is still at 34 Beauford Avenue, Bell Post Hill on 52 722 749, and bangsund @pipeline.com.au."

Jove Nods BullsHEET Happens

Yvonne Rousseau noted the quick piece of gender reassignment that I afforded Jean-Paul Breault in the previous Bullsheet. It should, of course, have read Jean-Paul Breault (né Day).

Deadlines

ANZARA 183	August 7 1998
Guff Nominations	September 30 1998
Guff Voting	March 30 1999

Sources

Alan Stewart, David Bofinger, Cath Ortlieb, Cheryl Morgan, Yvonne Rousseau., Chuck McKenzie, Karen Pender Gunn, Ian Gunn

Deadline For #104

Tuesday

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Art by Bill Rotsler

BullsHEET Unclassifieds

Death. Romance. Wizards. Curry.

Yes, it could only be a production of Terry Pratchett's MORT, following hot on the heels of PerfoRMIT's MEN AT ARMS earlier this year. The Whitley and Ridley Theatre Society (WARTS) invites you to enjoy Stephen Briggs' adaptation of one of Terry's most loved books at the Cordon Masonic Halls in Moonee Ponds, Melbourne.

Low-budget adventure and Mr. Pratchett's punny prose combine to produce the sort of fun you're unlikely to have

watching the latest effects-laden sci-fi "blockbuster", as Mort, Death's inept apprentice, manages to let romantic longings get in the way of a job well done.- with disastrous results for causality and the future of history...

So go on, book a ticket or two. You know you want to! :)

More information and bookings are available at the MORT web site at:

<http://warts.whitley.unimelb.edu.au/mort/>

Email enquiries should be directed to the WARTS secretary at warts@whitley.unimelb.edu.au

I hope to see you there!

- Benjamin John Evans
WARTS Director 1998

MULTIVERSE SCIENCE FICTION GROUP

<<http://www.vicnet.net.au/~multivrs/>>

1) An Opening Night group screening of Dark City, Thursday August 6th 7:00pm. Village Centre, 206 Bourke St Melbourne Adults \$9.50, Children \$7.50

2) A Special Preview of Armageddon Wednesday August 19th. 6:45pm. Greater Union Russell Cinemas, Melbourne Adults \$9.50, Children \$7.50

For ticket request forms, please check out the Multiverse web site at

<http://www.vicnet.net.au/~multivrs/>

Please make enquiries to multiverse@vicnet.net.au

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