

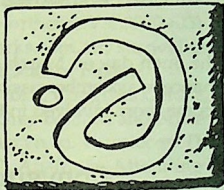
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Aurealis Awards

The Aurealis Awards were presented at Slow Glass Books on February 26th. The winners were
Science Fiction

Novel: *The Centurion's Empire* Sean McMullen (Tor)

Short Story: "The Truth About Weena" David Lake
(*Dreaming Down-Under*)

Fantasy

Novel: (tie)

Fire Angels Jane Routley (Avon)

A Dark Winter Dave Luckett (Omnibus)

Short Story: "A Walk On Part In The War" Stephen Dedman (*Dreaming Down-Under*)

Horror

Novel: No Award

Short Story: "A Positive" Kaaron Warren

Young Adult:

Novel: *Singing the Dogstar Blues* Alison Goodman (Harper Collins)

Short Story: No Award

Conveyors' Award:

Shaun Tan for his artwork in *The Rabbits*

In addition, the winners in the Aurealis Millennium Shot Story Competition were announced. they were "Redemption" Katherine Howell, "Enigmatic Mausoleum" Rob Bleckler and "Arise You Soft Machines" Brent Lillie. All are published in the Aurealis Mega OZ SF Anthology, which, apart from that, consists of several back issues bound together.

In Print

Stephen Dedman's "Unequal Laws" appears in *Science Fiction Age March 1999* Edwina Harvey's children's story, "Helga" was published in the anthology "Leaves of the Forest Muse". Erika Maria Lacey reports regarding *Harbinger* "A new associate editor has joined the forces here, Jason Kennedy. The word limit has been extended to 7500 words for fiction and 5000 words for non fiction, and the payment is now 1c per word with a minimum of \$5 and a maximum of \$50." Erika also listed the contents of #1 which include fiction by Kurt von Trojan., Brendan Carson and Edwina Harvey.

Science Fiction Writers of Earth

Rob Riel reports on the results of 1998's Science Fiction Writers of Earth SF/F Short Story Contest. "Australia took out 2nd and 10th places; not a bad showing, considering the competition, though this year I reckon we can do better. Congratulations to Kain Massin and Robert Stephenson for holding up our end.

This is a contest for unpublished writers, defined as those who have yet to receive money for a published piece of fiction at the time of entry. Details and entry forms are available from the SFwoE website at <http://www.flash.net/~sfwoe>, or by sending an SSAE to SFwoE, c/- Rob Riel, PO Box 2108, Dangar, NSW, 2309. As last year, we've arranged an option for Australasian residents to pay the entry fee (US\$5) in Australian dollars, and to post entries to an Australian address; no currency conversion costs, no expensive IRC's, no overseas postage.

Entry deadline for the 1999 contest is 30 October. Note, however, that contest submissions can be circulated

and even sold, provided only that they are unpublished at the time of entry, and that the author is otherwise eligible. So interested parties can submit now; stories are not tied up until the awards are announced in January 2000."

On The Tube

Adrian Sherlock the producer of Damon Dark, a new weekly half-hour Science Fiction series, which should screen on Channel 31, later this year reports "Currently, we are about one day's shooting away from completing the first four-part serial, titled "Maddox". Then it will be on to the editing before shooting commences on the second serial." The series is being produced for ERA TV with the following cast: Adrian Sherlock, Niobe Dean, Steve McPhaill, Andrew Dunn, George Ivanoff, Keith Cook and Ben Dixon. Members of the George Ivanoff Fan Club should note this one.

Bullsheet Media Watch

Lucy Sussex reviews Dave Luckett's *A Dark Journey* in the Saturday Age 27/2/99. The death of Stanley Kubrick was widely noted in the media. A pity he didn't get to see 2001, but probably a good thing that he didn't get to see the world of A Clockwork Orange. Damien Broderick notes "I've been doing a huge amount of media PR for *The Last Mortal Generation*, buzzing around Sydney[sic], doing the national Today morning TV show with Tracy Grimshaw, and lots of radio interviews in the pipeline or live to air. A long piece about the ideas in the book in the SMH Spectrum section a week or so back aroused a bunch of interest; a very long piece due in the March Quadrant, I gather; upcoming interviews etc on Ramona Koval's admirable Books & Writing ABC Radio program; an Ockham's Razor quarter-hour just recorded. Even copped five crisp minutes with Derryn Hinch. Hoping for a targeted international discussion on ABC TV's Lateline, but that might well fall through. Beats skiffy the hell and gone. (Although a stint at the Perth Writers' Festival at the end of Feb is more related to sf than to my non-fiction - or, as some would have it, my 'non-fiction'.)"

A Strangely Unmoving Story

Elaine Walker reports regarding the moving of A Touch of Strange "Bureaucracy and paperwork has slowed us down and we're mowing through some red tape that is being wrapped around us. Consequently it looks as if we won't be moving on Monday after all. We will still be moving, just postponed the move a bit till we get everything sorted out. Details will follow about the new moving date as soon as we have them. (Pass on to whoever you think will be interested..though not any of the mailing lists I'm sending this to) <http://www.iinet.net.au/~atos/>

Fan Funds

The DUFF voting deadline has been extended until April 11th. Meanwhile DUFF Candidate Janice Gelb has

produced the Janthology, a collection of her writing supporting her cause. It is available from her at 1070 Mercedes Ave #2, Los Altos CA 94022 USA. It comes with Janice for DUFF, a piece supporting Janice's candidature from Eve Ackerman, Mike Glycer and Arthur Hlavaty.

John Bangsund Hospitalised

Sally Yeoland, Bruce Gillespie and Elaine Cochrane note "John Bangsund was hospitalised on Thursday 4 March with a serious heart malfunction. His condition has improved rapidly and he expects to be home very soon. Sally will give an update as soon as time permits. Messages can be sent to either John or Sally's e-mail addresses: John is bangsund@pipeline.com.au and Sally is yeoland@mira.net John's postal address is PO Box 5005, North Geelong, Victoria 3215, Australia; his phone is (03) 5221 7313; Sally's home number is (03) 9484 4352 and her work number is (03) 9616 7149."

Aussiecon Three

Note the open day on March 20th. All are welcome. It'll be your chance to ask embarrassing questions or discuss how you can become more involved in the convention.

Convention News

Rob Brown notes that the June 13 FSF meeting has DS9 actor Aron Eisenberg (Nog) guest of honour. Cost for the day is \$35 FSF members and \$45 for non members. Aron will be available to give a presentation as well as sign autographs for all attending. Cheapest Trek event with an actor attending you can go to. Also appearing, John Cook (Sev Trek) and Chuck McKenzie (author of Worlds Apart). Activities include panels, guest presentations, writers workshop and video program.

Tickets available from FSF, P.O Box 797 Fairfield, NSW 1860, (02) 9523 8385 or from Galaxy Bookshop Sydney and Phantasia at Penrith.

Upcoming Conventions

Best Of Both Worlds 5 March 20 & 21, 1999 Southern Cross Hotel Corner Goulburn & Elizabeth Streets, City and Sydney Entertainment Centre Harbour Street, Haymarket GsoH William Shatner, Robin Curtis, Richard Hatch, Dr. Lawrence M. Schoen 1 Day Ticket (Saturday OR Sunday) \$120 2 Day Ticket \$240 ph (02) 9453 0290. <http://www.bobw.com.au>

Multiverse Battlestar Galactica 20th Anniversary March 27-28 1999 Edmund Barton Centre 488 South Rd Moorabbin GoH Richard Hatch Special Guests: Sara Douglass, Kate Jacoby, Paul Collins, Sean McMullen Full weekend \$60 Saturday \$40, Sunday \$35 PO Box 355 World Trade Centre, Melbourne, Vic 3005 <http://www.vicnet.net.au/~multivrs/> multivrs@vicnet.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 Lockett GPO Box G429 Perth WA 6841

<http://www.iinet.net.au/~swancon/ackerman@multiline.com.au>

Conquest'99 Games Convention 2 April 2 - April 5 University High School, Story St, Parkville, Melbourne. Includes 30 plus hours of anime (Japanese animation with English subtitles) from M.A.S. Further details at

<http://www.anime.com.au/mas/VideoConquest99.htm>

Grail Quest June 10-14 1999 Conference/festival centred on the legend of King Arthur. Sydney University \$200 Contact: Sophie Masson sophiemasson@bigpond.com or Cathy Simpson at grailq@healey.com.au

Friends of Science Fiction June 13 1999 GsoH Aron Eisenberg, John Cook & Chuck McKenzie \$35 FSF members, \$45 for non members. Tickets available from FSF, P.O. Box 797 Fairfield, NSW 1860, (02) 9523 8385 or from Galaxy Bookshop Sydney and Phantasia at Penrith.

Force Three June 12-14 1999 3rd National Star Wars Convention Karralyka Centre Ringwood Vic 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 The 57th World Science Fiction Convention. September 2-6 1999 World Congress Centre, Melbourne GsoH George Turner, Greg Benford and Bruce Gillespie. Special Guest J.M Straczynski. Aussiecon Three, GPO Box 1212K, Melbourne, 3001, Australia Attending \$225 Supporting \$45 Child in tow \$45 email info@aussiecon3.worldcon.org <http://www.aussiecon3.worldcon.org>.

Spawncon Two The 38th Australian National Science Fiction Convention. September 2-6 1999 World Congress Centre, Melbourne P.O. Box 215 Forest Hill Vic 3131 <http://www.vicnet.net.au/~sfoz/spawncon.htm>

Conquest 99 Reflections October 1-3 1999 Special Guest Richard Arnold \$135 until March 31st, \$175 thereafter. GPO Box 1376 Brisbane Qld 4001. pbuddaaa@zip.com.au ph 0412-649-727

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 \$US135.00 for residents of North America \$US125.00 rate for bona fide residents of other continents P. O. Box 642057, Chicago IL 60664, fax: 312-946-3779 <http://www.chicon.org/>

The Millennium Philcon The 59th World Science Fiction Convention August 30 to September 3, 2001 The Pennsylvania Convention Center & Philadelphia Marriott Hotel GsoH Greg Bear, Stephen Youll, Gardner Dozois, George Scithers Toastmaster: Esther Friesner. \$US 125 Attending until April 5 1999. Supporting \$US 40 Suite 2001, 402 Huntingdon Pike Rockledge, PA 19046 USA phil2001@unix3.netaxs.com <http://www.netaxs.com/~phil2001>

GoH = Guest of Honour

O.C.P. = Other Commitments Permitting

tba= to be announced.

Events

Note that there is an annual calendar available on the Vicnet SF web site at <http://www.vicnet.net.au/~sfoz/1999cal.htm>

Michael Dawson notes "UniSFA turns Twenty One this year and this significant event is being celebrated with an anniversary dinner. What makes a club truly unique is the people in it and it would be great to see as many club members & associates at the dinner (both past and present) as possible. If UniSFA has touched your life... if it means something special to you... or if you just feel like sharing a dinner with your friends then come along and celebrate the club's coming of age with us! (Details below)

Paul Harrison notes that The Fellowship of Middle Earth holds weekly meetings Thursday lunchtime at Monash University, at which many and varied topics related to science fiction and fantasy are discussed. Membership is \$3 per year."

N. S. W.

Southern Science Fiction Group March 13 2:00pm Politics and Government in Science Fiction - why is Feudalism so popular? Postal Address 15 Shade Place Lugarno (02) 9534-3595. elvey@mcme.com.au

Friends of Science Fiction March 14 Lidcombe Catholic Club, 24 John St Lidcombe fsf@nlc.net.au P.O. Box 797 Fairfield NSW 1860 Phone/ Fax (02)9523 8385

Caiseal Mor Appearance March 20 Phantasia SF & Mystery Bookshop 443 High St Penrith NSW 2750
A Star Wars Event April 26 Phantasia SF & Mystery Bookshop 443 High St Penrith NSW 2750

Queensland

Highlander Down Under March 21 Red Cross Centre 409 Adelaide St Brisbane PO Box 198 Brisbane Albert St Qld 4002 sonjav@powerup.com.au

Conquest April 4 10:00am Valentine Verses Virus & SGM Red Cross Centre 409 Adelaide St Brisbane GPO Box 1376 Brisbane Qld 4001

New Alliance April 4 PO Box 12083 Elizabeth St/BC Brisbane Qld 4002

Vortex May 2 Red Cross Centre 409 Adelaide St Brisbane GPO Box 2004 Brisbane Qld 4001

South Australia

Critical Mass April 7 David Hansen Walter Jon Williams' Metropolitan, City On Fire Writers Centre Adelaide PO Box 3355, Rundle Mall, Adelaide, SA 5000 dmw@pobox.com

Victoria

MSFC *March 12* Author Night Jack Daru & Sean McMullen
March 19 Swap, Buy & Sell, *March 26* Coffee, Cake &
Conversation 8:00pm St David's Church Hall 74 Melville
Rd West Brunswick P.O. Box 212 World Trade Centre
Melbourne 3005

Friday Night Mob *March 12, March 19, March 26* 6-7.30pm.
Informal eating and nattering. Myers Cafeteria Melbourne
Aussiecon Three Open Day *March 20* 2:00-5:00pm St
David's Church Hall 74 Melville Rd West Brunswick
Australian Babylon 5 Fan Club *March 20* 11:00am
Melbourne Zoo Contact xfive@ballarat.starway.net.au
<http://www.vicnet.net.au/~babylon5/> P.O. Box 610
Ballarat 3353 Phone: (03) 5334 6343 (Before 9pm)

Glen Eira - Ogaki Japanese Festival *March 21* 5:30pm
Nausicaa of the Valley of the Wind *March 27* 8pm Ghost in
the Shell Glen Eira Arts Complex Theatre, cnr
Hawthorn & Glen Eira Rds, Caulfield
<http://www.anime.com.au/mas/GlenEira.htm>

Australian Costumers Guild *March 28* Ross House in
Flinders Lane Melbourne PO Box 322 Benteleigh Vic 3204
stilskin@netspace.net.au

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

Austrek *April 3* 2:00pm A.G.M. Collectibles Show & Tell St
Mark's Church Hall Cnr Canterbury & Burke Rds,
Camberwell GPO Box 5206AA Melbourne 3001 03 9489 8743

<http://www.vicnet.net.au/~austrek/>
austrek@vicnet.net.au

Nova Mob *April 7* 13 Frederick St Brunswick.

Skyforce *April 10* Melbourne Uni, Copeland Theatre,
Economics and Commerce Building 1:00pm to 5:00pm P.O.

Box 427 Northcote 3070 kryten@werple.net.au

<http://www.imageworks.com.au/starwalking.htm>

Western Australia

UniSFA Dinner *March 19* 7pm Hollywood Bowling Club,
Smyth Road, Nedlands Cost is \$20 (free for children under
6, \$12 for children aged 6-12). Tickets are available from
Michael Dawson or Anna Hepworth, 9386-9724 or
["mouse@tartarus.uwa.edu.au"](mailto:mouse@tartarus.uwa.edu.au).

Jump Point *March 20* Quiz Night Willetton Sports Centre.
Entry \$6 each or \$30 for a table of six. Questions will be
science fiction based. Costumes are welcome. Stephen
Wroth wrothy@iinet.net.au.

Fanzines

Thyme 125 Alan Stewart P.O. Box 222 World Trade Centre
Melbourne Vic 8005 Comes with

Australian SF News 85 Alan Stewart(above) & Merv Binns
P.O. Box 315 Carnegie Vic 3163

Vanamonde 293-297 John Hertz 236 S. Coronado St No 409
Los Angeles CA 90057 USA

PhiloSFy #11 Alexander R. Slate 8603 Shallow Ridge
Drive San Antonio TX 78239-4022 USA slateal@swbell.net
File 770 128 Mike Glycer 705 Valley View Ave Monrovia CA
91016 USA MGlycer@compuserve.com

Pha News 17 Phantasia Bookshop P.O. Box 1255 Penrith

NSW 2751 info@phantasia.com.au

The Mentor 94 Ron Clarke P.O. Box K940 Haymarket NSW
1240

Electronic Zines

Ansible 140 Dave Langford, 94 London Road, Reading,
Berkshire, RG1 5AU, UK. Fax 0118 966 9914. ISSN 0265-
9816. E-mail ansible@cix.co.uk.

Emerald City 42 Cheryl Morgan cmorgan@ceres.wallis.com
or <http://www.emcit.com>

Fans Across the World Newsletter 84 B. Wilkinson, Ground
Floor Flat, 8 West Avenue Road, Walthamstow, E17 9SE,
Great Britain bjw@cix.co.uk fax: 0181-925-7126

Jove Nods, Bullsheet Happens

Elizabeth Trump notes "Just read through your last
Bullsheet. There has been a misprint in the telephone
number for contacting The West Lodge. It reads 9315 3260 and
should be 9316 3260."

My apologies to Andrew Porter, the editor of SF
Chronicle, who, through editorial clumsiness was
diminutized to "Andy" in the previous issue.

Deadlines

Bullsheet #117	March 22 1999
Ditmar Nominations	March 31 1999
Guff Voting	April 5 1999
Duff Voting	April 11, 1999.
ANZAPA 187	April 16 1998
Chandler Award Nominations	May 1st

*This Fanzine Supports The Minneapolis in '73 WorldCon
Bid and Aussiecon Three.*

*Other Allegiances are
still for sale.*

Healing Art by Cheryl

Birkhead Other Art by

Bill Roetler

