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Star Trek™: The New Age?

The most recent *Captain's Log* features an flier for a lecture by one Jim Golding Phd(sic) who is talking about such matters as the Star People, star seeding of humanity, time as such, ceasing to be in 2012 and "coming home". The flier assures us that his information and *Star Trek* TM are derived from the same source! Sounds almost as bad as the plot for the Robinson's recent *Starmind* novel. (Then again, this could be some subtle Trek humour which is going right over my head.)

On The Box

Ex-MSFC member Alison ap Rys appeared on Sale of the Century 18/7/95. She was beaten convincingly by the carry-over champion, but got the last word in. The final question in the Fast Money was "What sort of fiction did Isaac Asimov write?" "Science Fiction!" exclaimed Alison. Regular Nova Mob attendee Bruce Barnes is back on the Box. He appears as a parking inspector, someone who obviously wouldn't listen to Fox FM in their latest advert.

In Print

Katerine Phelps, author of Surf's Up: Internet Australian Style, and sometime fan, has been increasing her media profile. Juice magazine (July 1995) includes a photo that would grace any SCA event and mentions that the media have dubbed her "Princess Internet". She also features prominantly in the July 1995 issue of Internet Australasia, in a piece called "Net Girl"

Convention Updates

Arcon has released its July newsletter. TerraCon has also released its update.

Upcoming Conventions

Starfest August 26 World Congress Centre. Guests Marina Sirtis & Dave McDonnell. Pre-bookings \$35 (\$20 for children) c/o Austrek GPO Box 5206AA Melbourne Vic 3001 \$42 at the door.

The Reunion #3 August 25-27 Susan Clarke 6 Bellevue Road Faulconbridge NSW 2776.

Mini-Convention September 9-10 Trek Australis Ashfield Catholic Club, 7 Charlotte St Ashfield Arcon Aussiecon Reunion Convention- celebrating twenty years of Australian Science Fiction. September 22-24 GsoH Robin Johnson & David Grigg Savoy Plaza Hotel Melbourne. P.O. Box 215 Forest Hill, Vic 3131 Att \$50-00. Att Ages 12-18yrs \$30. Supp \$20.

Continuum (Conquest 95) October 13-15 GsoH Jerry Hardin O.C.P. & Richard Arnold. Gateway Hotel, Brisbane GPO Box 1376 Brisbane 4001 (07) 273 6512 Att \$85 until August

BasiCon 1995 Media Natcon October 14 venue tba \$20 Att (\$100 at the door.) Hucksters \$30. Banquet \$7 P.O. Box 567 Blackburn 3130

Terror 95 Horror Convention. October 27-29 Caulfield Arts Complex Victoria. GsoH Richard Harland, Michael Helms & Big Bad Ralph. \$40 to 1/6/95; \$45 to 25/10/95; \$50 at the door. Hucksters \$75. P.O. Box 7545 St Kilda Rd Melbourne 3004 (03) 9509 0766 Mudcon November 18-19 Winery tour/Convention. Susan Clarke 6 Bellevue Road Faulconbridge NSW 2776 Mutagen '96 January 26-29 1996, Dr Who GsoH Peter Davison (O.C.P.) Chris Barrie (O.C.P.) Paul Cornell. Att \$90-00. GPO Box 910G Melbourne 3001. (03) 534-2752 The Festival of the Imagination '96 (Confusion 96/Swancon 21) Lit/Media NatCon April 4-8 1996. Kings Hotel Perth. GsoH Bruce Sterling, Neil Gaiman & Robin Pen. Membership \$50 until May 31; \$60 from then until September 30; Supp \$20; Voting \$10. GPO Box G429, Perth, 6001 Ph:(09) 434 4167. E-mail

Constellation NZ Natcon: <u>Oueens Birthday Weekend</u> 1996 The Christchurch City Travelodge, NZ GsoH Michael Moorcock, James Dignan \$50.00 during 1994/5 P.O. Box 29-119, Fendalton, Christchurch NZ. Email: c. brandenburg@lincoln.ac.nz Medtrek V <u>Australia Day Weekend 1997</u> UWS Hawkesbury Richmond NSW Susan Clarke 6 Bellevue Road Faulconbridge NSW 2776

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tba= to be announced.

Conspiracy 1997 18th New Zealand National Science Fiction Convention (bidding for the 15th Australasian SF Media Con) March 28 to 31 1997. Airport Hotel Wellington N.Z. GsoH tba. PO Box 10104, Wellington, New Zealand. Email: concom@sans.vuw.ac.nz Australia in '99 Bid for the 1999 World Science Fiction Convention. \$10 pre-supporting rate. P.O. Box 99

Bayswater 3153.

GoH = Guest of Honour

O.C.P. = Other Commitments Permitting

Other Events

N.S.W.

Futurian Society of Sydney July 21 7pm. Room 1615 Uni of Technology Sydney. Other Dimensions
The Winter Ball July 29 Elim House, Shaftesbury St Burwood (NSW), \$50. Bookings by July 20th 6 Bellevue Road
Faulconbridge NSW 27/6. Proceeds to the Linda Cox Chan
Fund for Diabetes Research.
Trek Australis August 13 11am-2pm Ashfield Catholic Club, 7
Charlotte St Ashfield

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Southern SF Group August 19 12.30 pm Lunch at the Mortdale Hotel Bistro; talk "Series, are they a pain in the ..." (02) 534-3595 15 Shade Place Lugarno (02) 534-3595 Sydney Dr Who Fan Club 4th Sunday of month Setton District Girl Guides' Hall. P.O. Box 381, Chester Hill, 2162 (02) 727-4272 (Kate Orman reports "The Sydney Doctor Who / Science Fiction Fan Club's current address is GPO Box 2870 Sydney NSW 2001, phone (02) 5577036, email neelix@eagle.asstdc.com.au. They no longer meet at Sefton." Ron Clarke's The Sydney Futurian still reports them as meeting at the Sefton Guide's Hall. Could someone throw some light on this?)
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

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e-mail shadow@scorch.hna.com.au

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 Penrith SF Group (047) 322-179 or (047) 301-073 Australian SF Association GPO Box 4440 Sydney 2000 Australian SF Association GPO Box 4440 Sydney 2000 Dr Who Fan Club of Australia PO Box 4 Epping NSW 2121 email: Kate.Orman@mq.edu.au \$9 per year Gargoyle Club First Friday of month 7.00pm, Royal Exhibition Hotel Surrey Hills
The Thursday Night Group Informal eating and nattering. 5-7pm Thursday Nights. Ali Baba Café on George St. (Contact Graham Batho (02) 807-2573 for details)
Tavern Monthly booze-up for Doctor Who fans in Sydney. First Friday of month 6 nm Museum Hotel (just helping the

First Friday of month, 6 pm. Museum Hotel (just behind the Australian Museum)

Victoria

MSFC 7-30pm St David's Church Hall 74 Melville Rd West Brunswick July 21 Urban Myths July 28 Milo, Munchings & Musings P.O. Box 212 World Trade Centre Melbourne 3005 Science Explains the Alien Presence <u>July 25</u> 6.30pm South Melbourne Conference Centre. \$30 at the door. (03) 9506-4255. Melbourne Conference Centre. \$30 at the door. (U3) 9000-4200. Dr Jim Goiding Phd. (sic)
The Second Annual Fantasy & Science Fiction Masquerade
Ball July 29 7.30pm Glenferrie Masonic Hall 3 Lauder St
Glenferrie. \$17 at the door. Bookings \$628784. 5400323. e-mail
eleni@yoyo.cc.monash.edu. au. The Fellowship of Middle
earth, Monash University Union Clayton 3168
Nova Mob August 2 Beverley MacDonald Alan Stewart's
Place. Phone Alan Stewart for details (03) 9429 8354
Time-Trekkers August 4 Bendigo Community Support Time-Trekkers August 4 Bendigo Community Support
Centre 46 Sternberg St Bendigo P.O. Box 934 Bendigo 3550
Star Trek™ Marainons August 5 6:30 pm State Film Centre 1
Macarthur St East Melbourne (03) 9758 1807
Austrek August 6 2 pm Coppin Hall 313 Punt Road Prahran.
Star Trek™ Games CPO Box 5206A A Melbourne Vic 3001 Star Trek^{TR} Games GPO Box 5206AA Melbourne Vic 3001
Dandenong Valley Science Fiction & Futurist Society
August 11. 8pm Dandenong Library. Ann McGann 63
Woodside Ave, Frankston, 3199, 5971-3645.
Enterprise luly 22 1-5pm Annual Interclub Ten Pin Bowling
Footscray Bowl P.O. Box 466 World Trade Centre 3005
A Night at the Opera September 23 6.30 pm 5th Annual S.F.
Ball. Royal Parade Hotel Parkville. S34/ticket. P.O. Box 466
World Trade Centre 3005
Friday Night Mob Friday Nights 6-7.30pm. Informal eating
and nattering, K&Ms, Myer Arcade Melbourne
Gamma Quadrant Outpost A local chapter of the U.S. based
Bajoran Alliance, (Deep Space Nime) P.O. Box 567 Blackburn
3130 k. pender-gunn@latrobe.edu.au
Australian Babylon 5 Fan Club P.O. Box 41 West Brunswick
3055 Fanzine Babbling On

Old

Warp Speed (Brisbane) <u>July 30</u> GPO Box 2004 Brisbane 4001 (07) 356 5472 Conquest 95 August 5 GPO Box 1376 Brisbane 4001 (07) 273

Quest Star Trek™ August 13 12 noon - 4.00 pm Yungaba Community Centre, 100 Mains Rd Kangaroo Point (07) 356

Brisbane Dr Who Club August 20 P.O. Box 10308 Adelaide St Brisbane 4000 New Horizons September 3 British Sf 776 Cavendish Rd Holland Park 4121 (07) 349 2229 11:21 (Qld X-Files Club) Contact Flat 2, 10 Roseglen St Greenslopes 4120

Critical Mass August 2 8pm SA Writers' Centre, Second Floor, 187 Rundle Street, Adelaide. 6:30 Five Spices Restaurant The 'Nock August 8 6:30pm The Brechnock Hote!, King William St., Adelaide.

AUSFA, c/- Clubs Association, University of Acelaide, North Terrace, Adelaide SA 5001.

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UniSFA - University of Western Australia Science Fiction Association. See Web page or e-mail (nulsmurf@tartarus.uwa.edu.au) The West Lodge Doctor Who Fan Club. First Saturday of the month at the Collins Street Centre, South Perth. Snail-Mail: P.O. Box 190 Mt Lawley 6050 E-Mail: nulsmurf@tartarus.uwa.edu.au

A.C.T.

Canberra S FS August 3, 7:30pm, general meeting, venue TBA ph (06) 288 6391 (ah) PO Box 47, Civic Square ACT 2608

Fanzines

Review Zine #36 News & Reviews Susan Smith-Clarke 6
Bellevue Rd Faulconbridge NSW 2776. S1/issue Strange Matter
#13 Dr Who apa Sian O'Neale 185 Kooyong Rd Toorak 3142
Ethel the Aardwark #61 Paul ewins for the MSFC P.O. Box 212
World Trade Centre Melbourne 3005 The Sydney Futurian
#869 Ron Clarke for the Futurian Society of Sydney PO Box
K940 Haymarket 2000The Captain's Log 216 Katharine Shade
for Austrek GPO Box 5206A A Melbourne Vic 3001

BBS

Echo Base Hoth (03) 9563-1323. The Captain's Quarters Star TrekTM (03) 9723 8344. Ausom's First Class BBS SF conference called Sci Fi (03) 9545-5215. Psibaud is currently dead.

Web Pages

Babylon 5 OZ Fan Club

htttp://www.ozemail.com.au/~bab5oz/bab5oz.html David Grigg

http://www.ozemail.com.au/~drgrigg

Dr Who Fan Club of Australia

http://della.anu.edu.au/dwfca/dwfca.members.html Perry Middlemiss

http://www.peg.apc.org/~larrikin/welcome.htm VicNet

http://www.vicnet.net.au/vicnet/sf/sfpage.html

Deadlines

1996 FFANZ Nominations August 11 1995 1996 FFANZ Voting December 8 1995 1996 Ditmar Nominations January 31 1996 1996 ASFMA Nominations January 31 1996

Sources

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