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### In Print

*Bloodsongs* #7 has been released. Stories included are "The Hanging People" Kaaron Warren, "Eye" by Brian Draper and "The Bloom of Decay" by Patricia MacCormack, who, I assume, is Australian, plus reviews and some overseas fiction. As part of Australian Library Week - May 5-11 - The Port Phillip Library Service has a science fiction book display at its Albert Park and Port Melbourne branches.

### On the Air

John Weeks has a science fiction program Spectrum on 3MDR 97.1 FM. It is broadcast to listeners in the Dandenong Ranges on Saturdays from 10-11am. Upcoming programs are May 11 Festival of the Imagination; May 18 Sean McMullen Interview; May 25 Star Wars special.

### Statham Winners Announced

James Huntley reports on the results of the Paul John Statham Memorial F&SF Competition:- "We'll be printing all of the top three stories in the MAY 1996 issue of *Out of the Ashes*, plus Final Judge's comments, top 28 who will receive certificates.

The NZ Press Club is organising a luncheon in early June for presentation of the \$A 2,000 to Peter Friend."

First Prize (\$A2,000)

"Seventeen Views of Mount Taranaki" Peter Friend Wellington New Zealand

Equal runners up (\$A200)

"Ghosts of the Martian Dead" Paul Avery, Essendon Victoria

"Who Do you Want to Be?" Justin D'Ath, Spring Gully Victoria

### Vale

I was saddened to hear of the recent death of Margaret Nichols. Margaret was an active member of Sydney fandom of the late Seventies and early Eighties. I met first met her at Monaclave where she DMed the first dungeon I played in. A delightful person, with an infectious laugh. My condolences to Warren.

### Welcome

Mark Denbow has joined the ranks of the sleepless. Son Kyle was born on Saturday 27th April at about 3.00pm. The birth was videoed. Mark's comment on first holding Kyle was "my brain turned to mush."

### 1996 Teaspoon Awards

In order to make sure that there would be at least one award he didn't receive at the Festival of the Imagination, Ian Gunn presented his second set of Teaspoon Awards. These went to:

"Roman Orszanski for the Most Creative Alteration to a Voting Form. Roman changed the closing date on the 1995 Cuff ballot without notifying the candidates who were busily printing copies with the original date on them.

Eric Lindsay Most Selfless Vow of Poverty for avoidance of Worldcon Bid Fund raising.

Jan Wilson World's Longest Closing Ceremony For Force One, two and three quarter hours of sheer enjoyment.

Richard Scriven In Exchange for Best Short Fiction Ditmar, Best Fan Writer Ditmar, Best Fan Artist Ditmar, Best fan writer ASFMA and Best Fan Artist ASFMA. (Teaspoons are available for the usual. Richard holds the record for the most Teaspoon Awards - five)."

Editorial Correction:- It should be noted that the latter five teaspoons belong, by rights, to Tara Smith who was, according to Jonathan Strahan, the Awards sub-committee. Richard Scriven was not part of the awards sub-committee.

### Upcoming Conventions

Jack Dann will be Guest of Honor of The Annual International Conference of The Mythopoeic Literature Society of Australia, Newcastle, NSW, Australia, July 5-8, 1996. The theme of the conference is "The Fantasy Called History." The conference is sponsored by The University of Newcastle. Meanwhile Constellation, in New Zealand, lost GoH Michael Moorcock due to bad health, but replaced him with Robert Sheckley.

The Annual International Conference of The Mythopoeic Literature Society of Australia July 5-8. GoH Jack Dann University of Newcastle

Multiverse 2 September 6 - 8 venue and other details tba. P.O. Box 1044 Bundoora Vic 3083

Conquest 96 September 27-29 GsoH Marina Sertis, Majel Barrett & Richard Arnold. Mercure Hotel Brisbane. GPO Box 1376 Brisbane Qld 4001.

Whovention III - Continuity 13th National Dr Who Convention October 4-7 GsoH Elisabeth Sladen, Tony Howe. Rydges North Sydney \$100. P.O. Box 148 Gladsville NSW 2111 Dallas.Jones@sydpcug.org.au

Mutagen tba GPO Box 910G Melbourne 3001

Constellation NZ Natcon: Queens Birthday Weekend 1996

The Christchurch City Travelodge, NZ GsoH Robert Sheckley, Peter Jackson, James Dignan P.O. Box 29-119,

Fendalton, Christchurch NZ. Email: c.

brandenburg@lincoln.ac.nz

Swancon 22 January 24-27 1997 Tradewinds Hotel

Fremantle (to be confirmed) GsoH Howard Waldrop,

Stephen Dedman & David Cake. \$60 until 1/10/96. P.O. Box 318 Nedlands WA 6009  
**Medtrek V January 25-27 1997** UWS Hawkesbury Richmond NSW GsoH Marilyn Pride & Lewis Morley \$50 until June 30. Susan Clarke 6 Bellevue Road Faulconbridge NSW 2776 <http://www.ar.com.au/~medtrek>  
**BasiCon 2 1997** Media & Mainstream NatCon \$20. Date, venue and other details tba. P.O. Box 567 Blackburn 3130  
**Conspiracy 1997** 18th New Zealand National Science Fiction Convention March 28 to 31 1997. Airport Hotel Wellington N.Z. GsoH: Pat Cadigan (confirmed) Danny John-Jules & Robert Llewellyn (O.C.P.). Dan McCarthy. Australian address PO Box 1044, Bundoora, Victoria 3083. Full NZ\$55 / AU\$50 until 3/6/96, thereafter NZ\$60 / AU\$54. Supp NZ\$15 / AU\$14. PO Box 10104, Wellington, New Zealand. Email: [concom@sans.vuw.ac.nz](mailto:concom@sans.vuw.ac.nz)  
**Force 2 (Star Wars) June 7-9 1997** Edmund Barton Conference Centre 488 South Rd Moorabbin Vic P.O. Box 427 Northcote 3070  
**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**  
**tba= to be announced.**

## Other Events

### N.S.W.

**Futurian Society of Sydney**  
<http://ftoomsh.progsoc.uts.edu.au/~ian/writings.html>  
**Southern Science Fiction Group May 18** Series - the continuing saga 15 Shade Place Lugarno (02) 534-3595.  
**Skyforce Sydney June 1** The Faculty of Nursing, 88 Mallet Street Camperdown.  
**The Winter Ball August 31 1996** 7.00pm Elim House Burwood NSW Susan Clarke 6 Bellevue Road Faulconbridge NSW 2776  
**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](mailto: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](mailto:shadow@scorch.hna.com.au)  
**Penrith SF Group** (047) 322-179 or (047) 301-073  
**Australian SF Association** GPO Box 4440 Sydney 2000  
**Dr Who Fan Club of Australia** PO Box 4 Epping NSW 2121 email: [neelix@eagle.asstdc.com.au](mailto:neelix@eagle.asstdc.com.au) \$9 per year  
**The Thursday Night Group** Informal eating and nattering. 5-7pm Thursday Nights. Ali Baba Café on George St. (Contact Graham Batho (Wk)(02) 213-8641 for details)  
**Tavern Monthly** booze-up for Doctor Who fans in Sydney. First Friday of month, 6 pm. Museum Hotel.  
**Parramatta SF Discussion Group** 1st Thursday of the month 7pm Infinitas Bookshop, 5/1 Horwood Place, Parramatta. (02 633 5682) [ianm@mpx.com.au](mailto:ianm@mpx.com.au)

**Sydney DW SF Fan Club** Anglican Church Hall 2 Rochford St Erskineville GPO Box 2870 Sydney 2001 [neelix@eagle.asstdc.com.au](mailto:neelix@eagle.asstdc.com.au)  
**NSW Uni SF Club** newsletter *Sub Space Relay* (02) 481-9419

### Victoria

**MSFC May 10** Video Night **May 17** Costumer's Guild Extravaganza **May 24** A in '99 Lolly Night. 7.30 pm St David's Church Hall 74 Melville Rd West Brunswick P.O. Box 212 World Trade Centre Melbourne 3005  
**Enterprise May 26** Foot Rally P.O. Box 466 World Trade Centre Melbourne 3005 (03) 9583 7404  
**Nova Mob June 5** Charles Taylor 13 Frederick St Brunswick.  
**Austrek June 1** Mid-Year Party. Station Hotel, Greville St Prahran 2.00pm GPO Box 5206AA Melbourne 3001 e-mail [austrek@tbsa.com.au](mailto:austrek@tbsa.com.au)  
**Dandenong Valley Science Fiction Society June 12** 8.00pm Dandenong Library. Ann McGann 63 Woodside Ave, Frankston, 3199. 05971-3645.  
**Skyforce (Star Wars) June 15** St Mark's Church Hall, cnr Burke Rd & Canterbury Rd Camberwell. 1.00 to 5.00pm P.O. Box 427 Northcote 3070  
**The First Annual Costumer's Ball June 22** 6.30pm Dallas Brooks Hall 300 Albert St East Melbourne. \$42/head (\$38 for Costumers' Guild members) P.O. Box 322 Bentleigh Vic 3205 (03) 9557-7088  
**FOME 3rd Annual Masquerade Ball August 10** 7:00 pm Glenferrie Masonic Hall, 3 Laundry st Hawthorn. Prices will be no more than \$15 (concession should be cheaper), finger food will be provided. Bookings FOME c/o The Union, Monash University, Clayton Victoria 3168 [fome@yoyo.cc.monash.edu.au](mailto:fome@yoyo.cc.monash.edu.au)  
**6th Annual Sci-Fi Ball August 31** 6.30pm The Heidelberg Centre, Ivanhoe \$40. 1 Bourke Court Laverton 3028  
**Australian Babylon 5 Fan Club** P.O. Box 41 West Brunswick 3055 Fanzine *Babbling On*  
**Australian Horror Society** 1st Thursday of the month, 7.30 pm back room Maori Chieftan Hotel, Moray St Sth Melbourne. P.O. Box 7545 St Kilda Rd Melb. 3004.  
**Big SF (Star Trek/ general SF)** Ballarat P.O. Box 178 Wendouree 3355  
**Doctor Who Club of Victoria** GPO Box 4782UU Melbourne VIC 3001. \$12 per year. Fanzine *Sonic Screwdriver*. Meetings Second Saturday of the month. email: [borad@yoyo.cc.monash.edu.au](mailto:borad@yoyo.cc.monash.edu.au)  
**Fellowship of Middle Earth** Monash University F & SF Society FOME c/o The Union, Monash University, Clayton Victoria 3168 [fome@yoyo.cc.monash.edu.au](mailto:fome@yoyo.cc.monash.edu.au) or [eleni@yoyo.cc.monash.edu.au](mailto: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  
**Gamma Quadrant Outpost** A local chapter of the U.S. based Bajoran Alliance, (*Deep Space Nine*) P.O. Box 567 Blackburn 3130 [k.pender-gunn@latrobe.edu.au](mailto:k.pender-gunn@latrobe.edu.au)  
**Gallifrey (BBC telefantasy)** GPO Box 910G Melbourne 3001  
**Goulburn Valley Sci-Fi Club** bi monthly 4th Sunday of

the month. Willowmere Receptions Kyabram. P.O. Box 186 Kyabram 3620  
**The Quantum Leap Fan Club** Newsletter *The Leaper* PO Box 315, Northcote VIC 3070  
**Red Dwarf Fan Club** P.O. Box 1044 Bundoora 3083  
**Red Squadron** (Battlestar Galactica) G.P.O. Box 2317V Melbourne 3001  
**Time Trekkers** P.O. Box 934 Bendigo 3550.  
**The X-Files Fan Club of Australia** P.O. Box 402, Niddrie 3042., Fanzine *The Field Journal*.

**Qld**

11:21 (Qld X-Files Club) Contact Flat 2, 10 Roseglen St Greenslopes 4120  
**The War Council** Babylon 5 May 19 10am. Metro arts Centre Brisbane  
**Holodiction '96** June 2 (02) 311-3841

**S.A.**

**AUSFA**, c/- Clubs Association, University of Adelaide, North Terrace, Adelaide SA 5001.  
**Sastrek** Star Trek™ P.O. Box 369 North Adelaide S.A. 5006 (08 337 8759).  
**Critical Mass** June 5 Writers Centre Adelaide dvarman@maths.adelaide.edu.au PO Box 3355, Rundle Mall, Adelaide, SA 5000

**W.A.**

**UniSFA** - University of Western Australia Science Fiction Association. See Web page or e-mail doi@tartarus.uwa.edu.au  
**The West Lodge** Doctor Who Fan Club. First Saturday of the month at the Collins Street Centre, South Perth. 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  
 Email: evans@pf.adied.oz.au  
**The Neutral Zone** Star Trek Last Friday of every month. 6.30pm. Murdoch University, ECL Lecture Theatres 1 and 4. PO Box 1169, Bibra Lake, WA, 6163. Phone (09) 434 4167, email: nzone@iinet.net.au

**A.C.T.**

**Canberra S FS** May 16 7pm Happy's Chinese Restaurant, Canberra City.ph (06) 288 6391 (ah) PO Box 47, Civic Square ACT 2608

**Fanzines**

*The Communicator* #16 Star Trek. Derek Screen for Enterprise P.O. Box 466 World Trade Centre Melbourne 3005, *Review Zine* 41 Susan Smith-Clarke 6 Bellevue Road Faulconbridge NSW 2776 s.clarke@nepean.uws.edu.au.  
<http://www.ar.com.au/~medtrek>. *Basically, the last word* Basicon post-con report. Karen Pender-gunn P.O. Box 567

Blackburn Vic 3130. *Sirius* #11 Garry Wyatt P.O. Box 188 Curtin ACT 2605 *Warp 106* Murray MacLachlan for the NASF PO Box 29-119, Fendalton, Christchurch, NZ. Email timothy.jones@vuw.ac.nz. NASF PO Box 5516 Dunedin.  
*The Captain's Log* #225 Rose Mitchell & Tony Souter for Austrek GPO Box 5206AA Melbourne 3001 *Ethel the Aardvark* #66 Paul ewins for the MSFC P.O. Box 212 World Trade Centre Melbourne Vic 3005

**Web Pages**

Please note new address for Ozsf and the addition of the FOME Web Page  
**AFR**  
[http://www.peg.apc.org/~roman/afr/afr\\_1/afr\\_1.htm](http://www.peg.apc.org/~roman/afr/afr_1/afr_1.htm)  
 paul-michael agapow  
<http://www.cs.latrobe.edu.au/~agapow/Postviews/Australia in '99>  
<http://www.maths.uts.edu.au/staff/eric/ain99>  
**Kathryn Andersen**  
<http://connexus.apana.org.au/~kat/refract.html>  
**Australasian Fannish Email Directory**  
<http://ncc1701.apana.org.au/~larrikin/sfandom/fandom/directry.html>  
**Babylon 5 OZ Fan Club**  
<http://www.ozemail.com.au/~bab5oz/bab5oz.html>  
**Sara Douglass**  
<http://www.quake.net/~autopen/saradoug.html>  
**David Grigg**  
<http://www.ozemail.com.au/~drgrigg>  
**Doctor Who Club of Victoria**  
<http://yoyo.cc.monash.edu.au/~borad/dwcv-home.html>  
**Dr Who Fan Club of Australia**  
<http://www.ocs.mq.edu.au:80/~korman/dwfca.html>  
**Eidolon**  
<http://www.midnight.com.au/eidolon>  
**Fellowship of Middle Earth**  
<http://yoyo.cc.monash.edu.au/~fome/>  
**Festival of the Imagination 1996**  
<http://www.iinet.net.au/~mjl/festival/>  
**Futurians**  
<http://ftoomsh.progsoc.uts.edu.au/~ian/writings.html>  
**Ibn Qirtaiba**  
<http://odyssey.apana.org.au/~terminus>  
**Ithorians (Star Wars)**  
<http://www.cs.mu.oz.au/~eydc/IITHOR/>  
**Eric Lindsay**  
<http://www.maths.uts.edu.au/eric/sf.html>  
**MedTrek 5**  
<http://www.ar.com.au/~medtrek>  
**Perry Middlemiss**  
<http://ncc1701.apana.org.au/~larrikin/welcome.html>  
**The Neutral Zone**  
<http://www.iinet.net.au/~nzone/>  
**Kate Orman**  
<http://www.ocs.mq.edu.au:80/~korman>  
**Ozsf**  
<http://cosmos.net.au/~aidan/ozsf/ozsf.html>  
**Quantum Leap**  
<http://www.cs.mu.oz.au/~eydc>

**Quantum Leap push server animation**

<http://www.cs.mu.oz.au/~eydc/push.html>

**SF Times**

<http://www.spirit.com.au/acm/sftimes.html>

**Star Wars**

<http://www.physics.usyd.edu.au/~saxton/starwars>

**UniSFA**

<http://www.gu.uwa.edu.au/clubs/unisfa>

**West Lodge**

<http://www.ucc.gu.uwa.edu.au/~null/WestLodge/WestLodge.html>

**VicNet**

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

**X-Files**

<http://www.iinet.net.au/~brianp/xfiles/>

**Winners**

*Waking the Moon* Elizabeth Hand

*The Memoirs of Elizabeth Frankenstein* Theodore Roszak (tie)

**Short list**

*Food Man* Lisa Tuttle

"And Salome Danced" Kelly Eskridge

*The Armless Maiden* Terri Windling (ed)

*Little Sisters of the Apocalypse* Kit Reed

<http://www.cs.wisc.edu/wiscon/tiptree/intro.html>

**Jove Nods**

Apologies to Tim Richards, who became Tim Harris in the previous Bullsheet. Damian Broderick would also like it noted that the publisher of his book, *Reading by Starlight*, is Routledge not 'Rutledge'.

**Sources**

Damian Broderick, Jack Dann, *The Communicator*, Cary Lenehan, Richard Hryckiewicz, Paul Kincaid, Alan Stewart, Polly Morgan, James Huntley, Ian Gunn, Jonathan Strahan, *The Captain's Log*

**Assorted Overseas Awards**

**The 10th Arthur C. Clarke Award**

Paul J. McAuley *Fairyland* (Gollancz).

Second place Ken MacLeod *The Star Fraction*.

Other shortlisted titles were:

*Happy Policeman* Patricia Anthony (NEL)

*The Time Ships* Stephen Baxter (HarperCollins)

*The Prestige* Christopher Priest (Simon & Schuster)

*The Diamond Age* Neal Stephenson (Viking).

**1996 Nebula Awards**

**Novel**

*The Terminal Experiment* (serialised as *Hobson's Choice*)

Robert J Sawyer

**Novella**

"Last Summer at Mars Hill" Elizabeth Hand

**Novelette**

"Solitude" Ursula K Le Guin

**Short Story**

"Death and the Librarian" by Esther Friesner

**Grand Master**

A E Van Vogt

1996 James Tiptree, Jr. Award

**AUSTRALIA IN '99 UPDATE**



On April 27, LaCon III have posted out the Site Selection Ballots, with the Hugo ballots. Both Zagreb and Australia are listed. Meanwhile, the Las Vegas bid which did not formally file, has officially started that it is not running a write-in bid.

On the committee front, our energies are being devoted to getting things ready for LACon. If you are attending LAcon III and are willing to help us there, please contact us as soon as possible. We also need money to assist us in the hire of a suite at the convention and to provide supplies for the bidding party.

**Deadline For #54**  
 Tuesday May 21st.  
 Distribution Friday May 24th