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Awards

Congratulations to Jack Dann, who picked up a Nebula award for his novel 'la 'Da Vinci Rising'. The other Nebulas went to *Slow River*: Nicola Griffith (novel) 'Lifeboat in a burning sea' Bruce Holland Rogers (novelette) 'A birthday' Esther M Friesner (Short story). The Grand Master Award went to Jack Vance.

Extra congratulations to Ian Gunn who is, for the second year running, on the Hugo Award Ballot for Best Fan Artist. (See later for a complete listing of nominees)

The Weekend Australian (26-27/4/97) notes that The Children's Book Council Of Australia has announced its short list for Children's Book of the Year. The list includes Older Readers:— *Fire Dancer* Victor Kelleher Younger Readers:— *Victor's Quest* Pamela Freeman; *Rowan and the Keeper of the Crystal* Emily Rodda

The awards will be presented in Adelaide on August 15, during Children's Book Week.

In Print

Alan Stewart notes the following publication "After Dark 14: *The Intruder* by R C Lindquist, illustrated by Chris Johnston. That's Rowena Cory Lindquist, according to the back cover! Lothian, tpb, \$8.95, presumably March 1997, ISBN 0-85091-833-2" Alan also mentions that Greg Egan had a science fiction story published in 'Meanjin', #1/1997.

Helen Sargeant has the following good news" Finally, *Australian Women's Forum* has published my story "Smorgasbord" under the title "Aphrodite's Gift". They've left it pretty much intact, with a couple of minor deletions.

I'm pretty happy with it, or as happy as I ever get over my own work anyway. It's in the May 1997 issue, with a trashy blonde on the cover... for those of you who are writers, *Forum* is a well-paying market. And they pay before publication."

Steve Paulsen reports "Just a quick note to let you know a little piece of good news. I have just heard that a publisher in Jakarta by the name of PT Elix Media Komputindo are publishing my kid's horror novel, *The Stray Cat*, complete with the Shaun Tan illustrations, in a Bahasa Indonesian edition. It might not make Shaun or I rich (given the exchange rate), but they are paying the advance and royalties, however ti.ny, in US dollars."

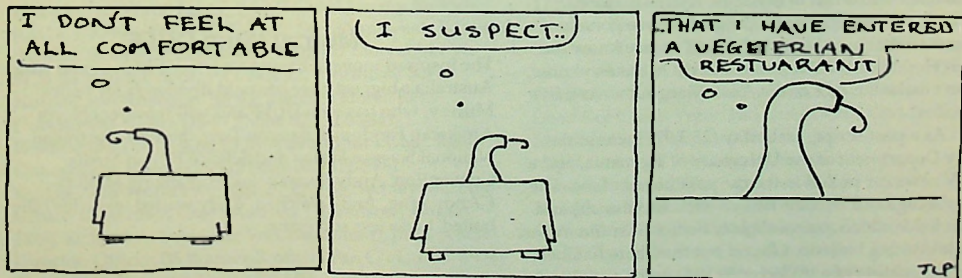
Who Says I Don't Publish Tasmanian News? (Albeit a trifle late)

Niall Doran reports " As mentioned by Robin Johnson, ThylaXene is a collection of 10 new SF stories, varying quite widely in style and setting, written by myself, Stuart Newman and Craig Wellington. It is published by our small press publishing group, Desdichado Publishing, and retails at \$12.95; copies will also be supplied by mail within Australia for that price (i.e. postage free; cheques to Desdichado Publishing, P.O. Box 310, Sandy Bay, Tasmania, 7006). It will also be sold in combination with "Chronological Adventures of Detrius Thesper" for \$20.

Queries can be sent to me at ne_doran@postoffice.utas.edu.au or via the desperately-in-need-of-updating Desdichado page at <http://bronte.cs.utas.edu.au/desdichado>.

The book was launched by Robin Johnson at the Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery on 6.3.97, in front of the museum's thylacine display, with the museum also bringing some of its most prized specimens (such as the preserved thylacine foetus) out for the event. Preceding the official launch was a media launch, to which the media had been duped into turning up by an official-looking museum fax stating that

"The Tasmanian Tiger will live again! Find out more and the latest on cloning and the status of DNA technology at the Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery on..." ...and in small print at the bottom (probably not even legible on the fax) it said "...coinciding with the launch of a



new Tasmanian book, *ThylaXene*...)

The media frenzy that erupted was something to behold. As soon as the fax went out, the museum started to get enquiries from a multitude of media outlets - from Tasmania's suburban papers to *The Age* - all believing they had cloned a tiger (which is actually the thrust of the main story in the anthology). The museum made no statement beyond "come and see", and Craig (who's been in advertising, publicity & the media for 10 years) said that we should hope for at least one print, one radio and one TV crew so that we covered all the mediums. To his amazement, EVERYBODY turned up - it was the biggest media turnout he had seen. We had all of the Tasmanian newspapers, all of the radio stations, three television news crews, *The Australian*, *The Age*, *Triple J*... the list goes on. In all, there were at least 15 different media outlets represented, and several more who couldn't make it: requesting information be sent to them. The museum was envious, as their own publicity has never generated a turnout like that! The serendipitous news of Dolly the sheep had certainly worked to our advantage... all we had to do now was avoid being lynched.

Fortunately, most of the journalists took the hoax in their stride and in the spirit it was intended, although the reporter from *The Age* raised his eyes to the heavens when he realised he was at a book launch. As for the reporting, again we did quite well, turning up in a respectable proportion of the papers, radio, and TV shows that were there (after spending an hour of news gathering time with us, I guess they had to report something!). We hit the front page of the *Mercury* (after a near full page review and photo in the same paper earlier in the week), page 2 of the *Advocate*, the evening news and late night update on WIN (we don't know about the other stations), an afternoon interview about the launch and an evening debate on the ethics and financial allure of cloning (proclaimed as being "sparked by the new publication *ThylaXene*") were held on ABC radio, the *Examiner* had an article on the possibilities of cloning thylacines which neglected to mention - but was obviously inspired by - us (sour grapes perhaps?), *Triple J* and local radio ran with thylacine cloning discussions and news items for several days (including interviews with Tasmanian academics in molecular biology who must've wondered what had suddenly stirred up all the interest), and *The Mercury* and *The Examiner* had a run of thylacine related cartoons. Several other publications and programs have gone to press and air that may have mentioned us (we know the *Western Herald* did, but haven't seen it). As far as I know, we didn't make the *Age* or the *Australian*, but we can live with that.

As a post-script, yesterday (25.3.97) I was at the Zoology Department of the University of Tasmania, and a WIN TV news car pulled in the car park ahead of me. The reporter recognised me (she had covered the launch) and gave me a wave alongside a slightly bemused smile. When I saw the evening bulletin, I found out that there had been an alleged sighting of a thylacine in Indonesia, and they had come to interview a Zoology lecturer about the

chances of it being legitimate (virtually nil). To back the interview with him, they used file footage of the display at the museum - footage which obviously came from the launch as our silhouettes could be seen reflected in the glass. But what amuses me the most is what went through her mind when she spotted me in the car park: she must have suspected they had been duped again!...

And, in a further postscript from Niall "ThylaXene" is available from *Galaxy* in Sydney as well as *Slow Glass* in Melbourne and should be invading other mainland bookshops in the not too distant future... As for *ThylaXene* itself, it seems we've sparked something that just won't go away. On March 27, a letter was printed in *The Mercury* from Dr Jeremy Austin, a Research Fellow at the Natural History Museum in London. The letter was responding to the front page article on the launch (God knows how he ended up seeing it!), mentioning our book and discussing the feasibility of cloning thylacines and other extinct animals from remnant DNA. A follow up letter from myself on behalf of *Desdichado Publishing* was printed on April 4, the same day that another sighting (this time in Tasmania) was being reported in the paper and other outlets. And today, the tiger's in the paper again! The ball just keeps rolling... "

Bullsheat Media Watch

Damien Broderick reviews Gould's *Life's Grandure*, Kaufman's *At Home In The Universe* and Williams' *Plan and Purpose In Nature* in *The Weekend Australian* 12-13/4/97 while Terry Dowling reviews MacDonald's *Sacrifice of Fools*, McAuley's *Fairyland*, Clarke's *3001* and Douglass's *Threshold*. Alan Stewart noted the following "In *Across the Board*, the magazine of the Australian Scrabble Players Association (ASPA), the tournament "highs" or records for 1996 have just been published. For NSW, Advanced Section, highest game - Tim Reddan 540. Highest word - Tim Reddan - Stagiest 149 (tied with an equally high score by someone else)." Terry Dowling has a Jack Dann interview/article in the *Weekend Australian* 26-27/4/97. Race Matthews examines at the Victorian Premier's latest attempt to limit public access to information about government actions in a letter in the *Saturday Age* 26/4/97. The Channel 10 News on Saturday April 26 ran footage of a one day Star wars event organised by Shane Morrissey.

Murray Wins DUFF

The inspired move of having a surname in common with Australia's biggest river has paid dividends for Janice Murray, who has won DUFF and will represent North American Fandom at *Basicon Two*, the 1997 Australian National Science Fiction and Science Fiction Media Convention. Andy Porter's link to *Waltzing Matilda* ("Andy sang, Andy watched, Andy waited while his billy boiled") was less successful.

Aussiecon Three

Nothing new to report.

Travelling Fans

Melbourne fan Alan Wilson is spending a year in California he notes "The Wilsons have arrived etc. in the US of A. Weather here is really good, fine and sunny, warm during the day, cools at night. Given this and the fact that we are close to the Uni. (2-3 miles(I am trying to think local)) I have bought a used bike and will ride to work. Thus we only need one car. Talking about which - we have to do a practical test to get permanent licences. Driving on the right is okay but curb parking on the right! all of the angles are wrong."

Meanwhile the Ortliebs whiled away part of their April holiday in Adelaide, Athens of the South, but the only fannish thing they did was to drag John Packer out of hibernation for a meal at the Jerusalem Lebanese Restaurant. (Bloody good food too!)

Convention News

Alan Stewart passes on news on Timestorm, the 1997 National Dr Who Convention. Eric Lindsay and Jean Weber are the Australian agents for the Toronto bid for the 2003 World Science Fiction Convention. Sonja van den Ende reports on Highlander DownUnder "The Highlander con went very well, even if I say so myself :) We spent two days participating in discussions, workshops, displays, quizzes, etc. We had some heavy topics and some lighter moments. From reactions, everyone seemed to enjoy themselves immensely."

Up coming Conventions

Holodiction Sydney May 10. Darling Harbour. Expo and Convention with Armin Shimmerman (Quark) and Tim Russ (Tuvok) Phone 02 9311-3841

Holodiction Melbourne May 11, Carlton Hotel. Armin Shimmerman (Quark - DS-9) and Tim Russ.(Tuvok - Voyager) Phone 02 9311-3841

TeleCon '97 On Hold

email - jamieo@peninsula.starway.net.au.

Force 2 (Star Wars) June 7-9 1997 GsoH Jeremy Bulloch (O.C.P.), Kenny Baker (O.C.P.) & Steve Sansweet. Edmund Barton Conference Centre 488 South Rd Moorabbin Vic \$125 (\$150 at the door) P.O. Box 427 Northcote 3070

Holodiction Brisbane June 8 Mercure Hotel. Rene Ouberjonois (Odo - DS-9) Phone 02 9311-3841

Holodiction Perth June 15. Enquire about venue. Rene Ouberjonois. (Odo - DS-9) Phone 02 9311-3841

Best of Both Worlds'97 June 20-22 1997 Sydney Masonic Centre. Confirmed GsoH Andrew J Robinson (Garak: DS9); Richard Arnold (Star Trek consultant); Jim Lockett (Director, Official B5 Warner Brothers Fan Club, US) 2-Day Ticket \$140, Banquet (limit 150) \$50, Cocktail Party (limit 150) \$35. Friends of Science Fiction. P.O Box 797 Fairfield,

NSW, 2165 (02) 9523 8385 fsf@nlc.net.au

<http://www.nlc.net.au/~fsf/bobw/>

Holodiction Adelaide June 22. Enquire about venue. Robert Picardo (Doctor) and Rene Ouberjonois. (Odo) Phone 02 9311-3841

Holodiction "Mini Convention" June 29 Rene Ouberjonois and Robert Picardo in Sydney. Phone 02 9311-3841

Event Horizon I I July 18-20 1997 Mercure Hotel, Brisbane GoH Michael O'Hare (Commander Sinclair, Babylon 5) full membership \$105 supporting \$30 776 Cavendish Rd Holland Park 4121 Qld

<http://www.eastwind.com.au/eh2/index.html>

Email E.Parry@hum.gu.edu.au or johnc@eastwind.com.au

LoneStarCon2 55th World Science Fiction Convention August 28-September 1 1997 Henry B. Gonzales

Convention Center San Antonio, Texas GsoH Algis Budrys, Michael Moorcock, Don Maitz and Roy Tackett Attending \$135 Supporting \$25, Children, 3-12 \$40(Rates apply until July 31, 1997) LoneStarCon2, PO Box 27277, Austin, TX 78755-2277 E-mail: lsc2@ic.comURL:

<http://www.io.com/~lsc2>

BasiCon 2 September 27-28 1997 Media & Mainstream NatCon YWCA Cato Conference Centre Melbourne \$20 attending membership (\$100 at the door). P.O. Box 567 Blackburn 3130.

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

ConScience October 4 - 5 1997 Mecure Hotel, North Quay, Qld GPO Box 1376 Brisbane Qld 4001 (07) 3355 5938

Timestorm November 21-23 1997 Australia's 14th National Doctor Who Convention Guest of Honor (subject to work commitments): Sophie Aldred (Ace) Edmund Barton Convention Centre, South Road, Moorabbin. \$75 until 16 May, \$85 until 18 July, \$95 until 19 September, \$110 until 18 November, \$130 at door GPO Box 4782UU Melbourne Vic 3001 <http://www.ipax.com.au/~dave/timestorm.html>

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Multiverse 3 February 13-15 1998 Edmund Barton Centre 488 South Road Moorabbin Victoria GoH Rob Grant P.O. Box 355 World Trade Centre Melbourne, Victoria 3005 Australia

Construction (New Zealand NatCon) Queen's Birthday Long Weekend 1998 West Plaza Hotel Wellington GoH Neil Gaiman P.O. Box 11559 Manners St Wellington New Zealand

CSO (Dr Who NatCon) April 17-19 1998 Brisbane

Travelodge Roma Street Station GsoH Caroline John & Geoffrey Beevers ph Trevor Gensch (07) 5499 0265

Swancon Twenty Three 24th-27th April, 1998 (Anzac Day long weekend) Orchard Hotel, 707 Wellington St, Perth.

GoH: t.b.a. Guests: Tess Williams, Grant Stone.

Dead GoH: Jules Verne Fan Guest: Gina Goddard.

Membership \$60.00 until 31st August

<http://www.gu.uwa.edu.au/swancon>

E-mail: swancon23@ucc.gu.uwa.edu.au

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

<http://www.maths.uts.edu.au/staff/eric/ain99>
 email julian@aussiecon3.worldcon.org
 GoH = Guest of Honour
 O.C.P. = Other Commitments Permitting
 tba= to be announced.

Club Info

Ben Fryer announces the launch of a new horror/fantasy/sf group The Daemoniacs Club will meet on the first Thursday of each month at The Kew Community House Number 4, 4-10 Derby St Kew 3101. Meetings start at 7-00 pm. Contact them at P.O. Box 1528 Collingwood Vic 3066.

Grant Watson published the following on aus.sf regarding Neutral Zone- a Perth-based Star Trek club- "Today the Neutral Zone was contacted by a representative of the Australian Film and Video Securities Office. We have been informed that our monthly screenings of Star Trek: Deep Space Nine and Star Trek: Voyager are in violation of copyright owned by Paramount Pictures and CIC Video.

As a result, I must regretfully inform you that the Neutral Zone's monthly meetings have - for the time being - been cancelled.

The latest issue of Final Frontier is currently at the printers, and should be mailed to all members next week. The Neutral Zone committee is currently examining what possible avenues we may take to continue in some shape

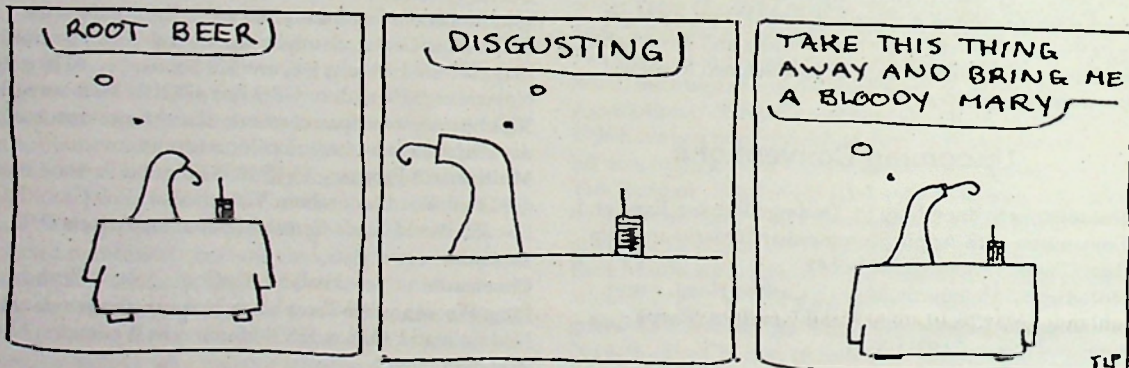
Other Events

A.C.T.

Canberra S FS ph (06) 288 6391 (ah) PO Box 47, Civic Square ACT 2608
 Canberra Doctor Who Fan Club c/o Huw Buchtmann, 12 Joske Place, Latham, ACT, 2615 Meetings first Saturday of each month (not December!) Produces newsletter *Dishrags to Drashigs*

N.S.W.

Friends of Science Fiction May 4 Star Trek, The X-Files, Babylon 5, Doctor Who P O Box 797 Fairfield NSW 2165 Email fsf@nlc.net.au <http://www.nlc.net.au/~fsf/Fanzine>
Friends of Science Fiction Newsletter
 Southern Science Fiction Group May 17 2pm The Conspiracy Theory Keith's Paranoia Contact 15 Shade Place Lugarno (02) 534-3595.
 Sydney Skyforce May 24 1-5pm Sydney University Contact Hector - 0411 363 5021 PO Box 804 Kensington NSW 2033 Email hbocaz@mail.usyd.edu.au
 Australian SF Association GPO Box 4440 Sydney 2000
 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
 Dr Who Fan Club of Australia PO Box 4 Epping NSW 2121 email: neelix@eagle.asstdc.com.au \$9 per year



or form in the future, and we will notify members as soon as a decision has been made.

If you have any questions or comments, please don't hesitate to contact us at nzone@iinet.net.au"

Some added information on UNISFA "The new contact person for UniSFA (UWA Science Fiction Assoc.) is Rebecca Kirkman (gidget@tartarus.uwa.edu.au). Our postal address is Box 59 c/-o Guild of Undergraduates, University of Western Australia, Nedlands, W. A. 6907.

The date for the Austrek Art Show has changed to August 9 1997

Futurian Society of Sydney Room 1615 University of Technology Broadway

<http://tanelorn.socs.uts.edu.au/~iwoolf/writings.html>

Lost in Space Australia P.O. Box N9 Petersham North NSW 2049

NSW Uni SF Club zine Sub Space Relay (02) 481-9419
 Newcastle Science-Fiction Club First Sunday of every month, Alice Ferguson Community Hall 30 Caldwell St, Merewether. Call Craig 049 871413 for more details.

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



Parramatta SF Discussion Group 1st Thursday of the month 7pm Infinitas Bookshop, 5/1 Horwood Place, Parramatta. (02 633 5682) ianm@mpx.com.au
 Penrith SF Group (047) 322-179 or (047) 301-073
 Skyforce Sydney The Faculty of Nursing, 88 Mallet Street Camperdown
 Sydney DW SF Fan Club Anglican Church Hall 2 Rochford St Erskineville GPO Box 2870 Sydney 2001 neelix@eagle.asstdc.com.au
 Tavern Monthly booze-up for Doctor Who fans in Sydney. First Friday of month, 6 pm. Museum Hotel.
 The Thursday Night Group Informal eating and nattering. 5-7pm Thursday Nights. Murphy's Bar.
 Wagga Doctor Who Fan Club c/o Keith Walker, 52 Perseverance St, West Wyalong, NSW, 2671

Qld

Conquest May 4 Metro Arts 109 Edward St Brisbane GPO Box 13676 Brisbane Qld 4001
 Hyperion May 10 5.30 pm - 10 pm Metro Arts 109 Edward St Brisbane (07) 3341 0307
 Queensland Star Trekkers (Quest) May 11 12.00 to 4.00 pm Metro Arts 109 Edward St Brisbane GPO Box 2084 Brisbane 4001
 Highlander May 18 10 am to 4.00 pm Metro Arts 109 Edward St Brisbane Newsletter *The Buzz*
 New Alliance June 15 P.O. Box 7446 East Brisbane Qld 4169
 Brisbane Dr Who Fan Club June 15 Queensland Rail Institute Center, Brisbane Central Station PO Box 10308, Adelaide Street, Brisbane QLD 4000. email timelord@closer.brisnet.org.au
 Vortex July 23 QUT (ITE Building Room 303) G.P.O. Box 2084 Brisbane 4001
 Brisbane Skyforce September 13 10am - 6pm University of Queensland Contact Nick - (07) 3369 9744, PO Box 5732 West Hill QLD 4101 Email water@thehub.com.au
 FSFSA C/O Leela Cosgrove 3 Sollis St. Geebung Brisbane Q 4034
 The Space Ranger Fan Club Dinners at least once a month 104 Muir Street, Labrador 4215 (07)55322812

Terminal Pyramids The Wide Bay DW and B7 Fan Club 51 Rocky St Maryborough QLD 4650 (071) 215 180 (Daniel Pattell)
 Trilogy (Dr Who) PO Box 2459, Southport, QLD, 4215 David Mark Sasche sdavid@gc.design.net.au. Fanzine *Entropy* Will meet monthly on the Gold Coast.
 UQTrek The University of Queensland's first and only club for the Appreciation of Star Trek contact Perryn Fowler cs324423@student.uq.edu.au

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AUSFA, c/- Clubs Association, University of Adelaide, North Terrace, Adelaide SA 5001.
 Critical Mass PO Box 3355, Rundle Mall, Adelaide, SA 5000 dwarman@maths.adelaide.edu.au
 Sastrek Star Trek™ P.O. Box 369 North Adelaide S.A. 5006 (08 337 8759). carl@adam.com.au
 South Australian Doctor Who Fan Club PO Box 3227, Adelaide, SA, 5000 (08) 294 8337 (Jeremia Boddey, president) Monthly meetings. Fanzine *Chamelcon Factor*; newsletter *Wall of Lies*

Victoria

MSFC May 2 Slot Car Night May 9 45th Birthday reunion May 16 Julian May Night 8.00pm St David's Church Hall 74 Melville Rd West Brunswick P.O. Box 212 World Trade Centre Melbourne 3005
 Time Trekkers May 2 46 Sternberg St Bendigo P.O. Box 334 Bendigo 3550.
 Nova Mob May 7 Kerry Greenwood 13 Frederick St Brunswick.
 Australian Babylon 5 Fan Club May 10 1.00 to 9.00 pm General Meeting St David's Church Hall 74 Melville Rd West Brunswick 3055 P.O. Box 41 West Brunswick 3055 Fanzine *Babbling On* Email James Allen@vut.edu.au or bfive@VNET.ibm.com
 Dandenong Science Fiction Society May 14 Ann McGann P.O. Box 706 Frankston Vic 3199 015 510 159
 Skyforce (Star Wars) May 25 20th Anniversary of Star Wars Copeland Theatre Economics & Commerce Building Uni of Melbourne 1.00 to 5.00 pm P.O. Box 427 Northcote 3070 Email Address: darren.maxwell@tmca.com.au

Enterprise May 24-25 Dark Zone Games Day P.O. Box 466 World Trade Centre Melbourne 3005 (03) 9583 7404 enterprise@minerals.csiro.au

Austrek May 31 Trekvia Galore. Trivia quests and the Annual Starfleet Exam. St Mark's Church Hall, cnr Burke and Canterbury Rds, Camberwell. 2-5pm. Traders, displays, games and activities, refreshments available. Further information: Rose Mitchell mitchell@vicnet.net.au or Steve Hartshorne 9749 1851 (AH) Traders welcome. To book tables contact Rod Tyrrell 9899 4536 GPO Box 5206AA Melbourne 3001

The Daemoniacs Club June 4 7-00 pm. The Kew Community House Number 4, 4-10 Derby St Kew 3101. P.O. Box 1528 Collingwood Vic 3066

The X-Files Fan Club of Australia June 21 6.00pm to Midnight Awards Night Albert by the Lake Function Centre. Locked Bag 1013, Flemington, 3031. Fanzine *The Field Journal*.

Austrek Art Show August 9 St Mark's Church Hall Camberwell

Fourth Annual Fantasy and Science Fiction Masquerade Ball August 9 7:00pm - 12:00pm Glenferrie Masonic Hall 3 Launder Street Hawthorn Contact Fellowship of Middle Earth c/o the Union Monash University Clayton Victoria 3168 Phone: (03) 95455203

Australian Costumers Guild P.O. Box 322 Bentleigh Vic 3204 email stilskin@netspace.net.au

Australian Horror Writers 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 3001 email: borad@yoyo.cc.monash.edu.au

Fellowship of Middle Earth Monash University FOME c/o The Union, Monash University, Clayton Victoria 3168 fome@yoyo.cc.monash.edu.au or 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

Gallifrey GPO Box 910G Melbourne 3001 Daniel Klein 0419 379 842, AH:(03) 9850 7275

Goulburn Valley Sci-Fi Club bi monthly 4th Sunday of the month. Willowmere Receptions Kyabram. P.O. Box 186 Kyabram 3620

Phryne Fisher Club P.O. Box 41 West Brunswick 3055

Red Dwarf Fan Club P.O. Box 1044 Bundoora 3083

Time Lords c/o Lee Zachariah 3 Selwood Crt, Mornington, VIC, 3931. Newsletter *Eternity* (was *TARDIS*)

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The Neutral Zone No longer meeting PO Box 1169, Bibra Lake, WA, 6163. Phone (09) 434 4167, email: nzone@iinet.net.au Fanzine *The Final Frontier* Newsletter *The Defector*

Jump Point Murdoch University Economics, Commerce & Law Building - Lecture Theatre 1 The Babylon 5 club of W.A. Email info@jumppoint.net.au

<http://www.jumppoint.net.au/>

UniSFA - University of W. A. Science Fiction Association. Rebecca Kirkman gidget@tartarus.uwa.edu.au. Box 59 c/o Guild of Undergraduates, University of Western Australia Nedlands 6907.

The West Lodge Doctor Who Fan Club. 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

Fanzines Received

ANZAPA 175 Official Biody Editor Marc Ortlieb P.O. Box 215 Forest Hill Vic 3131 138pp including 16pp from Bruce Gillespie and Terry Frost's *Mimezine Flashback* .

Ultrawarp 24 Simon Mead & Greg Smith for Time Trekkers P.O. Box 334 Bendigo Vic 3552 *Ethel The Aardvark 72* Ian Gunn for the MSFC P.O. Box 212 World Trade Centre Melbourne 3005 *Oscillation Overthruster #8 & 9* Sue Ann Barber P.O. Box 1169 Bibra Lake W.A. 6163. *Emerald City #20* Cheryl Morgan cherylmorgan@compuserve.com
<http://www.emcit.com> *The Captain's Log 236* Rose Mitchell for Austrek GPO Box 5206AA Melbourne 3001

Web Pages

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

New Listings

Cyber Trekkies Underground
<http://members.net-tech.com.au/anju/startrek/startrek.htm>

Desdichado
<http://bronte.cs.utas.edu.au/desdichado>

Tony Plank
<http://www.starnet.com.au/aplank/SciFi/Writers.htm>

Spice
<http://www.millstream.com.au/andrew/spice/index.html>

Timestorm
<http://www.ipax.com.au/~dave/dwcv/timestorm.html>

From the Dr Who Club of Victoria come the following listings

Doctor Who Fan Club of Australia
<http://www.ocs.mq.edu.au/~korman/drwhoetc/dwfa.html>

Doctor Who Picture of the Month Page
<http://www.canberra.edu.au/~scott/DrWho/whopic.html>

Chris Frank's Fantasy Factory
<http://adam.com.au/~franksc/ffactory.html>

Steve Leahy
<http://modjadji.anu.edu.au/steve/dw/>

TARDIS Log
<http://www2.hunterlink.net.au/~ddpa/>

Andrew Marriott
<http://www.cs.curtin.edu.au/~raytrace/unnatural.html>
<http://www.cs.curtin.edu.au/pub/documents/images/1994/dalek.tif.Z>

TARDIS
<http://ciips.ec.uwa.edu.au/~williams/Student.html#tardis>

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Dr Who Club of Victoria
<http://www.ipax.com.au/~dave/dwcv/>

Deadlines

ANZAPA 176 June 6 1997
 Austrek Art Show July 1 1997

Sources

Alan Stewart, Warpspeed, Niall Doran, Perry Middlemiss, Ben Fryer, Alan Wilson, The Age, The Australian, The Captain's Log, Sonja van den Ende

CoAs

Alan & Judy Wilson 775 Stone Lane, Palo Alto, CA 94303, USA Tel (1 415) 494 0546 alan@sensors.stanford.edu
 Lucy Zinkiewicz PO Box 2019, Windsor QLD 4030
 Sue Ann Barber P.O. Box 1169 Bibra Lake WA 6965 (Only the postcode has changed.)

Deadline For #76
 Tuesday May 13th.
 Distribution Friday May 16th.

1997 Hugo Nominees

LoneStarCon2, the 1997 World Science Fiction Convention, announces the 1997 Hugo nominees for outstanding achievement in the science fiction field. The Hugos are nominated by members of the current World Science Fiction Convention. LoneStarCon2 received a total of 429 valid ballots (ballots cast for each category are noted).

Best Novel (356 ballots)

Blue Mars Kim Stanley Robinson (HarperCollins Voyager; Bantam Spectra); *Holy Fire* Bruce Sterling (Orion; Bantam Spectra); *Memory* Lois McMaster Bujold (Baen); *Remnant Population* Elizabeth Moon (Baen); *Starplex* Robert J. Sawyer (Ace)

Best Novella (209 ballots)

"Abandon in Place" Jerry Olton (F&SF 12/96); "Blood of The Dragon" George R. R. Martin (Asimov's 7/96); "The Cost to Be Wise" Maureen F. McHugh (Starlight 1); "Gas Fish" Mary Rosenblum (Asimov's 2/96); "Immersion" Gregory Benford (SF Age 3/96); "Time Travelers Never Die" Jack McDevitt (Asimov's 5/96)

Best Novelette (221 ballots)

"Age of Aquarius" William Barton (Asimov's 5/96); "Beauty and the Opéra or the Phantom Beast" Suzy McKee Charnas (Asimov's 3/96); "Bicycle Repairman" Bruce Sterling (Intersections; Asimov's 10/96); "The Land of Nod" Mike Resnick (Asimov's 6/96); "Mountain Ways" Ursula K. Le Guin (Asimov's 8/96)

Best Short Story (254 ballots)

"The Dead" Michael Swanwick (Starlight 1); "Decency" Robert Reed (Asimov's 6/96); "Gone" John Crowley (F&SF 9/96); "The Soul Selects Her Own Society . . ." Connie Willis (Asimov's 4/96; War of the Worlds: Global Dispatches); "Un-Birthday Boy" James White (Analog 2/96)

Best Non-Fiction Book (163 ballots)

The Faces of Fantasy Patti Perret (Tor); *Look at the Evidence* John Clute (Serconia Press); *Silence of the Langford* Dave Langford (NESFA Press); *Time & Chance* L. Sprague de Camp (Grant); *The Tough Guide to Fantasyland* Diana Wynne Jones (Gollancz/Vista)

Best Dramatic Presentation (283 ballots)

Independence Day (Centropolis Film Productions/20th Century Fox Film) Directed Roland Emmerich, Written Dean Devlin and Roland Emmerich, Produced Dean Devlin; *Mars Attacks!* (Warner Bros.) Directed Tim Burton, Written Jonathan Gems, Produced Tim Burton and Larry Franco; *Babylon 5 "Severed Dreams"* (Warner Bros.) Directed David J. Eagle, Written J. Michael Straczynski, Produced John Copeland; *Star Trek: First Contact* (Paramount Pictures) Directed Jonathan Frakes, Story Ronald D. Moore, Brannon Braga & Rick Berman, Screenplay Ronald D. Moore & Brannon Braga, Produced Rick Berman; *Star Trek: Deep Space Nine "Trials and Tribble-ations"* (Paramount Pictures) Directed Jonathan West, Written Ronald D. Moore & Rene Echevarria, Story Ira

Steven Behr & Hans Beimler & Robert Hewitt Wolfe,
Executive Producers Ira Steven Behr & Rick Berman

Best Editor (248 ballots)

Gardner Dozois (Asimov's); Scott Edelman (SF Age);
Patrick Nielsen Hayden (Tor); Kristine Kathryn Rusch
(F&SF); Stanley Schmidt (Analog)

Best Professional Artist (226 ballots)

Thomas Canty; David Cherry; Bob Eggleton; Don Maitz;
Michael Whelan

Best Semiprozine (223 ballots)

Interzone David Pringle; *Locus* Charles N. Brown; *New
York Review of Science Fiction* Kathryn Cramer, Tad
Dembinski, Ariel Haméon, David G. Hartwell and Kevin
Maroney; *Science Fiction Chronicle* Andrew I. Porter;
Speculations Kent Brewster

Best Fanzine (224 ballots)

Ansible Dave Langford; *File 770* Mike Glycer; *Mimosa* Dick
& Nicki Lynch; *Nova Express* Lawrence Person; *Tangent*
Dave Truesdale

Best Fan Writer (202 ballots)

Sharon Farber; Mike Glycer; Andy Hooper; Dave Langford;
Evelyn C. Leeper

Best Fan Artist (177 ballots)

Ian Gunn; Joe Mayhew; Peggy Ranson; William Rotsler;
Sherlock

John W. Campbell Award (not a Hugo) (156 ballots)
(Award for the best new science fiction writer of 1995 or
1996, sponsored by Dell Magazines)

Michael A. Burstein (second year of eligibility); Raphael
Carter (first year of eligibility); Richard Garfinkle (first year
of eligibility); Katya Reimann (first year of eligibility);
Sharon Shinn (second year of eligibility)

LoneStarCon2 News

LoneStarCon2, the 55th World Science Fiction Convention,
will take place in San Antonio, Texas, from August 28-
September 1, 1997, at the Henry B. Gonzales Convention
Center. The Worldcon is the annual gathering of science
fiction writers, artists, publishers and readers. The
Worldcon attracts about five thousand attendees from
around the world. In addition to the traditional art show
and auction, Hugo Award ceremony, Masquerade, exhibit
hall, and book-filled dealer's room, this Worldcon will
display its Texan roots by sponsoring a Chili Cookoff.

The guests of honor for the 1997 Worldcon are Algis
Budrys and Michael Moorcock, the guest artist is Don
Maitz, the fan guest is Roy Tackett, and the toastmaster is
Neal Barrett, Jr.

LoneStarCon2 is open to the public. Here are the rates for
memberships, good until July 31, 1997:

Attending \$135 includes admission to all events and
exhibits,
voting rights and all publications
Supporting \$25 includes voting rights and all publications
Children, 3-12 \$40 includes admission to all events and
exhibits

Full convention and day rates will be available at the door.

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**Mark Time Award for Best Science
Fiction Audio Production of the Year.**

Congratulations go to Kevin Swan and Jason Cole of
Cephalopod Productions (<http://www.cephalopod.com>),
for "The Apotheosis Saga" (Episodes 5 & 6), winner of the
Gold Mark. The Silver Mark goes to "The Island of Dr.
Moreau" from the Atlanta Radio Theatre Company's Henry
Howard and Thomas E. Fuller
(<http://www.webamarica.com/artc.index.html>). These
both are excellent productions and worth putting on the
air at your favorite public or community radio station. You
can get tapes of Apotheosis from the LodesTone Catalog
(<http://www.lodestone-media.com/>).

Awards were presented by Tom Lopez, of ZBS, at
Minicon 32, on Friday, March 28, 1997. The Mark Time
Award is made by the American Society for Science Fiction
Audio (ASFSFA), and is supported by Minicon and the
Minnesota Science Fiction Society.

See the Mark Time Award Hall of Fame, for the Best SF
Audio in Radio History at
http://www.mtn.org/~jsteams/MT_HoFame.html.
We're working on short reviews of some of the other
entries for the web site, soon.

