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- 1. Associate memberships shall be allowed. An AM will be allowed to join CMPA for a sum equal to three times (3x) the minimum subscription, this sum to be paid annually in advance under the same conditions and penalties applicable to normal members, save that associate members shall not be required to contribute to the quarterly CMPA maihings, though neither will they be debarred from doing so. Further, that the number of associate members shall not exceed one quarter($\frac{1}{4}$) of the full members current at the time of the AMems joining.
- 2. insert in above(item 1) "AM shall not be permitted to vote in the election of officers, nor is an AM to be eligable for an CMPA office".
- 3. When the appointment of officers becomes necessary, we ther through resignation, expiration of term of office, or for any other reason, all current Members shall be REQUIRED to send in a vote, though should a member wish to register a 'nil' vote such will be acceptable.
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- (((XXXKC. financially matters have come to a head. Frankly I now doubt that a sliding scale would solve them. You will have seen Darroll Pardoes circular raiding the dues to £1.25 (or \$3) This I'm afraid will have to be. Postage ALONE eats up more than a members 80p. My own estimates are these, (giving postal rates etc., more cheaply than reality)....
 4 mailings at 20p per mailing postage. = 80p. 4 Jiffy bass a year, 28p, already £1.08 you see. Add to that cost of paper and stencils for OT, the REAL cost of postage has sometimes been nearer 30p...and you have it.))) XXXkc.

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& EGOBSC POLL (Ha Ha) OMPANS on mass...you ought to be ashamed of yourselves! You ask why OMPA membership is falling...because you are too bloody lazy to do something about it. Out of a member

list of 25, only FOUR supplied polling forms, owing to an oversight by Ken, one of those missed his name, since there was no space for it...but here is your Egoboo Poll, compiled ByJ.J.Coombe, D & R Pardoe, T.Jeeves, and one sadky anonymous member....I filed the form without noticing the lack of a name, and forget who sent it. The other 22 sleepers ought to write out fifty times..."You only get out of OMPA what you are ready to put in I am not going to waste time collating such a miserable showing...but I list the votes...and those of you who come out well...why the heck didn't YOU help us by voting ??

Best Continued Ompazine. Hell, Hell, Erg, Is

Best Single Issue Worcester Sauce, Cynic 4, ERG.39 Is.3

Best one-shot 1220, ---, ----, (only one vote cast here)

Best Article Writer Dick Eney, ---, T.Jeeves, Bobbie Gray

Most Attractive Zine ERG 40, Mescific 31, LURK, IS

Entertoining Editorial Chatter Skelton, Fred Hemmings, Hell, K. Cheslin

Best Individua Contributor ---, ---, ----,

Best Fiction Writer Lisa Conesa, ---, ---,

Best Mailing Comments Fred Hemmings, Lurk, Fred Hemmings, Ken Cheslin

Best Poet P.Skelton ---, ---,

Best Artist Jeeves, Bell, Jeeves, Jeeves (Thanks folks)

Best Cartoonist Skelton, Skelton, Skelton, Jeeves

Best Raconteur Gray, Hemmings, ---, Long.

Best Humourist Patrizio, ----, Gerbish, ----,

Other Egoboo. 1. The Coombes, Kench & Jeeves for coloured illos

1. Skel & Brian for Photopages.

2. Cheslin as a devoted OE, LURK's Crossword

3. Viewpoint as most advances zine qualitywise

4. Special Mention to Lurk

The above batting order is Anon, Jeeves, Coombe, Pardoe. in case you want to know who liked what.

As far as including non-Ompans in the poll...this would immediately void the idea of an OMPA egoboo poll. Once we include outsiders, the field becomes so vast that any meaningful result (even with a full poll of 25 members) would show nothing. As for the abysmal poll, I propose we do the whole thing again, and show a bit more interest...such as including mailing in a form (not necessarily filled in) as part of the activity requirement.

Meanwhile, I look forward to meeting you all in Bristol, and hope you won't take my diatribe personally...but for Ghu's sake. Let's DO SOMETHING to put OMPA back on its feet...like publish magazines...and participate in polls.

Sincerely,

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