

# OUSFG - Oxford University Speculative Fiction Group

## Michaelmas Termcard 2000

Hi. You hopefully remember our stall from Freshers' Fair (it was the black and silver one with lots of SF books). This is to let you know a bit more about what we do.

[OUSFG](#) was founded in the 1960s by [Brian Aldiss](#), making us one of the first student run SF groups in the country. We cover the whole range of non-mainstream fiction, particularly science fiction, fantasy and horror, although we don't hold those categories rigidly defined. Being the only general SF group in Oxford University, we hold a broad range of meetings, and our interests cover books, film, TV and all other media.

[Below](#) you will find our termcard, with details of all the meetings we have planned for this term. As you can see, Wednesdays alternate between video and discussion meetings, with a speaker meeting in 8th Week. Video meetings are held in Magdalen JCR TV Room. To get there, follow the path right from Magdalen Lodge under an archway and into the quad with the cloisters. Go right, around the quad, until you reach the staircase on the opposite side (labelled JCR) and go up the stairs. Go through the double doors on the first floor and turn right into the TV room. If these doors are locked, please knock loudly.

China Miéville will be coming to speak to us on Wednesday of 8th Week (29th November). He is the author of [King Rat](#) and [Perdido Street Station](#). There's a nice [feature](#) on him at [DarkEcho](#).

The speaker meeting will be at 8pm in [St Hildas'](#) Lady Brodie Room. Directions are as follows. Go through the main gates of St Hildas, straight across the courtyard, and through the double doors to the JCR. Go up the stairs (the JCR is downstairs) and through the doors on the first floor. Then follow the passage straight ahead as far as you can go. The Lady Brodie Room is at the end.

Every Sunday is a [library](#) meeting, where you can browse through and borrow from our library of over 2000 books, or simply sit and chat. Library meetings and discussion meetings are also held in Magdalen, but to get there, you must turn left from the Lodge. Go under a medium-sized tower into St Swithuns' Quad and exit through the opposite corner. Turn left and then turn right towards the new block of buildings near the gate. Go under the archway, and you want the second door on the right, and the buzzer labelled "Niall".

At the Library Meeting on Sunday of 8th Week, we will be playing [Silly Games](#).

### Wednesday Meetings

1st Week	Video meeting	<a href="#">Dogma</a> and <a href="#">Stigmata</a>
2nd Week	Discussion	Lonely Planet Guide to the 4th Dimension
3rd Week	Video Meeting	<a href="#">Fight Club</a> and <a href="#">Brazil</a>
4th Week	Discussion	Celebrity SF Character Deathmatch
5th Week	Video Meeting	<a href="#">Dune</a> and <a href="#">Tremors</a>
6th Week	Discussion	Hard SF versus Fantasy
7th Week	Video Meeting	<a href="#">Sleepy Hollow</a> and <a href="#">The Nightmare Before Christmas</a>
8th Week	Speaker Meeting	<a href="#">China Miéville</a>

Also, Saturday 7th Week (25th November) will be the OUSFG/[RPGSoc](#) Joint [Christmas Party](#). This will be from 18:30-22:30 in [Teddy Hall](#). Contact Tom Anderson (at a meeting, or via pigeon post at University College, OX1 4BH) and he'll have them for you at the door. £7 for drinkers, £3.50 for non-drinkers. If you pay at the door, the price is £8 for drinkers, £4.00 for non-drinkers.

There are also two Bonus Video Meetings. These will occur in the same room as the Library and Discussion meetings, starting at 2pm. On Saturday, 4th Week, we will be showing all three [Back to the Future](#) videos, and on Saturday, 6th Week we will be showing the first half of [Angel](#), series one, unmutated by [Channel 4](#).

Remember, you can come to any meeting, but Freshers' Drinks are happening Sunday, 1st Week in Balliol (that's the first Sunday of term).

If you need any more information, please visit our website at <http://users.ox.ac.uk/~ousfg/>

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# The OUSFG Termcard

## Trinity Term 2000

### 1st Week

Sunday  
Library Meeting  
Wednesday  
Videos: *From Dusk till Dawn, Vampires*

### 2nd Week

Sunday  
Library Meeting  
Wednesday  
Discussion meeting: *History of OUSFG - Rewritten*  
Saturday  
2pm *Buffyathon* 2nd season

### 3rd Week

Sunday  
Library Meeting  
Wednesday  
Videos: *Mother Night, Slaughterhouse 5*  
Saturday  
Video: *Twin Peaks* (at Mark's)

### 4th Week

Sunday  
Library Meeting  
Wednesday  
Discussion meeting: Geneva - *Themes of Reality, Humanity and Divinity in the short stories of Philip K. Dick*

### 5th Week

Sunday  
Library Meeting  
Wednesday  
Videos: *12 Monkeys, Delicatessen*  
Monday  
Video: *Solaris*  
Saturday  
Games Day

### 6th Week

Sunday  
Library Meeting  
Wednesday  
Speaker Meeting: **Brian Stableford** (St Hilda's, Lady Brody Room)

### 7th Week

Sunday  
Library Meeting  
Wednesday  
Videos: *The Matrix, Lola Rennte*  
Friday  
Punt Party Panto Writing  
Saturday  
Punt Party Panto

### 8th Week

Sunday  
Library Meeting  
Wednesday  
Silly Games (Ruth's room)

### 9th Week

Wednesday

All meetings start at 8pm.

The library is split between two rooms in St. John's College. We'll probably be basing meetings in Mike Froggat's room, using Dave Sheldon's room for overflow and access to that half of the books. Both rooms are in Tommy White Quad, which is the large one with sixties architecture and the bar. To reach it, go left in the front quad by the lodge, straight across the next quad, and down the covered passage in the corner. Mike's room is staircase 8, room 29, right at the very top. Dave's room is staircase 6, room 4.

Video meetings are in Magdalen JCR. Go in through the porter's lodge on High St and head for the second quad on the left (the first is easy to miss; you have to turn immediately left after leaving the lodge to notice it. But if I didn't point out that there are two someone would inevitably go wrong :-). You should then pass the chapel on your right. Bear right through cloisters, then left at the big stone steps (which will be on your right. It leads up to Hall, if you're interested). If you don't turn here, you'll walk into the bar (which you may prefer, who knows?). Anyway, you then want the first staircase on the right (normal-sized, this time). Up one flight, then the JCR will be right in front of you. You want the room on the right (with the pool table).

Discussion meetings are in Ruth's room, Balliol staircase 17, room 10. If you don't know the door code, please [contact Ruth](#).

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# OUSFG Hilary Termcard 2001 (Provisional)

Sunday meetings are [library](#) meetings (from 8pm). Sunday of 7th Week will also be the OUSFG Annual General Meeting. Wednesdays (from 8pm) mostly alternate between video and discussion meeting, as follows:-

## Wednesday Meetings

1st Week	Video meeting	<a href="#">Dark Star</a> and <a href="#">Fearless Vampire Killers</a> (TBC)
2nd Week	Discussion	Tim's game, <i>Writer's Block</i>
3rd Week	Video Meeting	<a href="#">1984</a> and <a href="#">2010</a>
4th Week	Discussion	ALX's: <i>In Defence of Bad</i>
5th Week	Video Meeting	<a href="#">Being John Malkovich</a> and <a href="#">Blue Velvet</a>
6th Week	<del>Author meeting</del> Discussion	<a href="#">Ian Watson</a> (cancelled) Tom and Mike: <i>Utopias</i>
7th Week	Video Meeting	<a href="#">X-Men</a> and <a href="#">Mystery Men</a>
8th Week	Silly Games	

On Saturday of 4th week, many of us will be going to [Picocon](#). The **banquet** will be on Saturday of 6th week. There will be a bonus video meeting (in the library), showing [Angel](#), on Saturday of 6th week (TBC).

**Video meetings** are held in Magdalen JCR TV Room. To get there, follow the path right from Magdalen Lodge under an archway and into the quad with the cloisters. Go right, around the quad, until you reach the staircase on the opposite side (labelled JCR) and go up the stairs. Go through the double doors on the first floor and turn right into the TV room. If these doors are locked, please knock loudly.

**Library meetings, discussion meetings**, the bonus video meeting, and the AGM are also held in Magdalen, but to get there, you must turn left from the Lodge. Go under a medium-sized tower into St Swithuns' Quad and exit through the opposite corner. Turn left and then turn right towards the new block of buildings near the gate. Go under the archway, and you want the second door on the right, and the buzzer labelled "Niall".

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# OUSFG Michaelmas Termcard 2001

**Every Sunday:** Library Meetings from 8pm in the [Lamb and Flag](#) pub, moving on later (one group at 9:30pm, one at 10:45pm) to the library in [3 Venables Close](#). Geneva has drawn a nice [map to direct you to the pub and the library](#).

**Every Monday** from 3rd Week (22 Oct): Bonus Video Meetings - [Sapphire and Steel](#) at 8pm at [20 Jeune Street](#).

## Other Meetings

10 Oct		Wednesday	Videos	<a href="#">Logan's Run</a> and <a href="#">Blade Runner</a>
13 Oct	1st Week	Saturday	<b><a href="#">Freshers' Drinks party</a></b> at 3pm (see <a href="#">below</a> )	
17 Oct	2nd Week	Wednesday	Discussion	Niall on <i>The State of SF</i>
24 Oct	3rd Week	Wednesday	Videos	<a href="#">Unbreakable</a> and <a href="#">Highlander</a>
31 Oct	4th Week	Wednesday	Discussion	Construct-a-sci-fi-story
7 Nov		Wednesday	Videos	<a href="#">Labyrinth</a> and <a href="#">The Man Who Fell to Earth</a>
10 Nov	5th Week	Saturday	Bonus Video Meeting	<a href="#">Dune miniseries</a> at 2pm at <a href="#">20 Jeune Street</a>
14 Nov	6th Week	Wednesday	Discussion	Adapt your favourite SF/Fantasy book for the screen
21 Nov		Wednesday	Videos	<a href="#">Planet of the Apes (original)</a> and <a href="#">Deep Blue Sea</a>
24 Nov	7th Week	Saturday	<b><a href="#">Christmas Party</a></b>	
28 Nov	8th Week	Wednesday	<b>Author meeting</b>	

Wednesday **Discussion** and **Author** meetings start at 8pm in the [Blue Boar Room](#) of [Christ Church College](#) (on St Aldates; see [map](#)). The door code for the locked door halfway to the room is 1532 (if it has changed, please ask the porter or one of the men in bowler hats). N.B. The Author Meeting may have to be moved to a different week. Whichever of the other meetings is displaced will go ahead in 8th Week instead.

Wednesday **Video meetings** start promptly at 8pm; gather at 7:30pm to avoid missing the start. These take place in the [St John's College](#) (on St Giles; see [map](#)) [JCR video room](#).

The [OUSFG/RPGsoc Christmas Party](#) will be at 7:30pm, Saturday 7th Week (24th November) in the Larkin and Prestwich rooms, St John's college.

## Freshers' drinks

There'll be a drinks party to introduce OUSFG to freshers (and freshers to OUSFG) at 3pm on Saturday of 1st Week (13th October), in Talbot Hall, [Lady Margaret Hall](#) (at the end of Norham Gardens, off Parks Road; see [map](#)). [Talbot Hall](#) is directly opposite the [entrance to LMH](#).

## Maps

You can [download a two-page PDF file for printing](#). This requires a PDF viewer, eg. [Adobe Acrobat Reader](#). This file includes the maps for the library, discussion, and video meetings.

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# OUSFG Trinity Termcard 2001 (Provisional)

Sunday meetings are library meetings in Niall's room (8pm to midnight). Wednesdays (from 8pm) mostly alternate between video and discussion meeting, as follows:-

## Wednesday Meetings

1st Week	Video meeting	<a href="#">Spaced</a> (season 1, episodes 1-2); then <a href="#">Galaxy Quest</a>
2nd Week	Discussion	<i>Top 10 lists</i>
3rd Week	<b>Author Meeting</b>	<a href="#">Ian Watson</a>
4th Week	Discussion	Geneva: <i>Worth worshipping? Gods in genre fiction</i>
5th Week	Video Meeting	<a href="#">Spaced</a> (season 1, episodes 3-4); then <a href="#">The Cell</a> (not <del><a href="#">Forbidden Planet</a></del> )
6th Week	Discussion	
7th Week	Video Meeting	<a href="#">Spaced</a> (season 1, episodes 5-6); then <a href="#">Dark Star</a>
8th Week	Silly Games	(Niall's room)

There will be a bonus video meeting showing [The 10th Kingdom](#) on Saturday of 2nd week in Niall's room.

**Video meetings** are held in St Johns, 8pm to midnight. Directions: Enter St. Johns through front gate. Take first left, past chapel and hall, through into North Quad. Go to far end of quad and through tunnel to Tommy White Quad. Down the steps on your left and across the gardens to the bottom of Staircase 8. On your left is a door, marked MCR I think. Hopefully this will be wedged open; come in and go through the door on the left. If the first door isn't wedged open take a few steps forward and tap one of the thin glass panes; someone will come and let you in.

**Discussion meetings** are in the Blue Boar Seminar Room in Christ Church. Go through the main gate and head for the far left hand corner of the quad. Follow your nose straight ahead until you get to a blue door - the doorcode is 1510, go through into a passage into the next open air bit, turn left down some shallow steps, and across into a residential looking quad. Follow the path round, and up a slope/steps on the opposite side. The Blue Boar room is in the basement of the block you should now be facing - go down the steps, same door code, and turn left into the room.

[Ian Watson](#) will be talking to us this term about his rôle in the film [AI](#) (Aunty Tanaqui recommends: [this](#) and [this](#)). This will take place in the Blue Boar Seminar Room in Christ Church (see above) at 8:15pm on Wednesday of 3rd Week (9th May).

The **Punt Party** will be on Saturday of 7th Week.

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**Every Sunday:** Library Meetings from 8pm at [48 Cranham Street](#) (Geneva drew a nice [map to direct you to where the library was](#), but Cranham St is also shown).

## Other Meetings

16 Jan	1st Week	Wednesday	Videos	<a href="#">The Shining</a> and <a href="#">Ghostbusters</a>
23 Jan	2nd Week	Wednesday	Silly Games	
30 Jan	3rd Week	Wednesday	Videos	<a href="#">Pitch Black</a> and <a href="#">Final Fantasy: The Spirits Within</a>
2 Feb		Saturday	SF Film Con?	
6 Feb	4th Week	Wednesday	Videos	<a href="#">The Thirteenth Floor</a> and <a href="#">Spy Kids</a>
9 Feb		Saturday	PicoCon	
13 Feb	5th Week	Wednesday	<b>Author</b>	<a href="#">Adam Roberts</a>
16 Feb		Saturday	Banquet	
20 Feb	6th Week	Wednesday	Discussion	Obscure Pick Reviews
23 Feb		Saturday	Videos	<a href="#">Reboot</a>
27 Feb	7th Week	Wednesday	Videos	<a href="#">Ginger Snaps</a> and <a href="#">Shrek</a>
6 Mar	8th Week	Wednesday	Discussion	Mike - Apocalypses

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Wednesday **Video meetings** start promptly at 8pm; gather at 7:30pm to avoid missing the start. These take place in the [St John's College](#) (on St Giles; see [map](#)) [JCR video room](#).

The **Banquet** will be held on Saturday of 5th Week (16 Feb) in Balliol Hall. We meet at 7:30pm in The Massey Room (drinks reception), with the banquet starting at 8pm.

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# OUSFG Michaelmas Termcard 2002

**Wednesday meetings** (see below for details) are held at 8pm in [Jesus College](#) in Seminar Room A.

**Library meetings:** (Sunday evenings from 8-11pm) are held in [Balliol College](#) from the beginning of 2nd week (there will be no library meeting in 1st week). Come along to browse the library, drink tea, and chat to other people interested in science fiction and fantasy. [More details, and directions to the library...](#)

*NB. The video meeting in **8th Week** will be held in Alx and Archie's house, 48 Cranham Street (here's a [map to direct you to where the library used to be](#), but Cranham St is also shown).*

## Termcard

12 Oct	Saturday	0th Week		Freshers' drinks
16 Oct	Wednesday	1st Week	Discussion	<i>First Contact</i> - got good/bad examples of first contact from SF or your own head? How should and how would we deal with meeting real aliens? Come along and join in or just listen to the arguments... This meeting is particularly aimed at Freshers who are interested in joining OUSFG and want to find out who we are and what we are about - but if you can't make it then please come along to any other event.
20 Oct	Sunday	2nd Week	Library	
23 Oct	Wednesday	2nd Week	Videos	<a href="#">Memento</a> then <a href="#">Total Recall</a>
27 Oct	Sunday	3rd Week	Library	
30 Oct	Wednesday	3rd Week	Discussion	<i>Time Travel - Fact and Fiction</i> by Dr. Tim Adye.
3 Nov	Sunday	4th Week	Library	
6 Nov	Wednesday	4th Week	Videos	<a href="#">The Matrix</a> and <a href="#">Tron</a>
10 Nov	Sunday	5th Week	Library	
13 Nov	Wednesday	5th Week	Discussion	<i>Celebrity SF character deathmatch</i> . This will involve nominating a number of your favourite SF-type characters and choosing which ones go into the tournament then arguing about which one should win each match and coming up with an eventual winner.
16 Nov	Saturday	6th Week	Bonus Videos	<a href="#">Firefly</a> - <a href="#">Joss Whedon</a> (creator of <a href="#">Buffy</a> and <a href="#">Angel</a> ) has just debuted his new SF series in the States. See the first episodes of this exciting new series first with OUSFG.
17 Nov	Sunday	6th Week	Library	
20 Nov	Wednesday	6th Week	Speaker	<b>Brian Aldiss</b>
24 Nov	Sunday	7th Week	Library	
27 Nov	Wednesday	7th Week		<a href="#">Silly games</a> night!
30 Nov	Saturday	7th Week		Christmas party
1 Dec	Sunday	8th Week	Library	<i>Lyndsey and William's house</i>
4 Dec	Wednesday	8th Week	Videos	<a href="#">Fight Club</a> and <a href="#">The Princess Bride</a> (Alx and Archie's house)

**Freshers' drinks:** Saturday 0th week 3pm-6pm in the Old Refectory, [Wadham College](#). Come along and meet people!

The **Bonus video meeting** on Saturday of 5th week will be in Angharad's house in Marston (directions will be emailed closer to the date), unless anyone can offer a bigger living room!

SF guru and OUSFG founder, [Brian Aldiss](#), will be speaking to the society in 6th Week.

**Christmas party** Saturday of 7th Week (30th November), 7:30pm, the Larkin and Prestwich rooms, [St John's College](#). £10 for drinkers and £5 for non-drinkers. £1 off if you pay the treasurer by cheque before Wednesday of 7th Week. Optional fancy dress, with prizes for the best costumes, plus lots of wine, beer, the inevitable punch, and nice softdrinks, along with music, balloons, and disco lights.

**Latest news:** We have now confirmed *Peter F. Hamilton* and *China Mieville* as guests for Hilary Term.



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## Other Meetings

24 April	Wednesday	1st Week	Discussion	<i>The Fahrenheit 451 School of Literary Criticism: One to Learn, One to Burn</i> (Blue Boar Room, ChCh)
1 May	Wednesday	2nd Week	Videos	'I love 1970s SF cinema' - <a href="#">THX1138</a> and <a href="#">Soylent Green</a>
8 May	Wednesday	3rd Week	Videos	'Surreal' - <a href="#">Amélie</a> and <a href="#">A Life Less Ordinary</a>
15 May	Wednesday	4th Week	<b>Author</b>	<a href="#">Geoff Ryman</a> (Graves Room, St Johns)
22 May	Wednesday	5th Week	Discussion	Mike Froggatt: <i>The Fiction in Science - How the Soviets Faked the Space Race</i> (Graves Room, St Johns)
29 May	Wednesday	6th Week	Videos	with <i>planet</i> in their titles - <a href="#">Red Planet</a> and <a href="#">Forbidden Planet</a> (or, if unavailable, <a href="#">Planet of the Apes (new version)</a> )
5 June	Wednesday	7th Week	Discussion	Alex and Archie's Spoontacular: <i>A Post-Gender Interpretation of the Star Wars Mythos</i> (Graves Room, St Johns)
12 June	Wednesday	8th Week	Videos	Anime night - <a href="#">Princess Mononoke</a> and others

The **Author Meeting** with Geoff Ryman will take place in St John's Graves Room (French windows, directly opposite usual video room at SJC) at 8pm on 15th May. The meeting will start promptly, so please be on time.

Wednesday **Discussion** meetings start at 8pm, either in in St John's Graves Room (see above) or the [Blue Boar Room](#) of [Christ Church College](#) (on St Aldates; see [map](#)). Ask the porter or one of the men in bowler hats for the door code for the locked door halfway to the room. Check the list above for the location of each discussion meeting.

Wednesday **Video meetings** start promptly at 8pm; gather at 7:30pm to avoid missing the start. These take place in the [St John's College](#) (on St Giles; see [map](#)) [JCR video room](#).

The **Punt Party** and panto will be on Saturday of 7th Week (8th June). More details to be announced.

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**Wednesday discussion meetings** (see below for topics) are held at 8pm in [Jesus College](#) in Seminar Room B.

**Wednesday video meetings** (see below for programme) start at 8pm in [New College](#), Lecture Room 4 (Noel Salter Room on Staircase 4). To get to New College, walk down Broad Street away from town. When you get to the end, keep on going straight ahead down Holywell Street. The College main entrance is on the right hand side. Go through and turn right. Staircase 4 is the 4th staircase from the entrance (it sticks out from the rest of the building and has a big spiral staircase). Enter the staircase and go through the door on the right, and the Lecture Room 4 is just through there on the left.

## Termcard

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|--------|-----------|----------|------------|---|
| 22 Jan | Wednesday | 1st Week | Discussion | Tim: <i>Collective Plotting</i> - working within the constraints of a few required plot elements can we come up with ideas and plot for a book or film? Previous stories have involved teleporting Swiss plane crash victims ( <i>or are they?</i> ) and biotech (somehow involving the <a href="#">Great God Cthulhu</a> and a naked cloned murderer played by <a href="#">SM Gellar</a> ). This time we will explore the rich field of alien contact. |
| 29 Jan | Wednesday | 2nd Week | Videos     | Stylish SF: <a href="#">Lexx</a> and <a href="#">Akira</a>  |
| 5 Feb  | Wednesday | 3rd Week | Discussion | Ruth: <i>Children's Fantasy</i>   |
| 12 Feb | Wednesday | 4th Week | Videos     | <a href="#">Spider-man</a> and <a href="#">Repo Man</a>   |
| 19 Feb | Wednesday | 5th Week | Videos     | Police state out to get you: <a href="#">Minority Report</a> and <a href="#">Brazil</a>   |
| 22 Feb | Saturday  | 5th Week | Con Trip   | <a href="#">Picocon</a> , Imperial College, London  |
| 26 Feb | Wednesday | 6th Week | Author     | <a href="#">Peter F. Hamilton</a>   |
| 1 Mar  | Saturday  | 6th Week | Dinner     | OUSFG Dinner  |
| 2 Mar  | Sunday    | 7th Week | AGM        | Annual General Meeting (in the Library; sillier and more fun than it sounds)  |
| 5 Mar  | Wednesday | 7th Week | Discussion | Finding visual memes in OUSFG's past and present quirks   |
| 12 Mar | Wednesday | 8th Week | Videos     | Your TV is out to get you: <a href="#">Ring (original)</a> and <a href="#">Videodrome</a>   |

The **black tie banquet** is now confirmed for Saturday of 3rd Week *next term* (17th May), so we will be having an alternative social event this term - namely a meal out on Saturday of 6th Week (1st March).

# OUSFG Michaelmas Termcard 2003

**Every Sunday:** [Library](#) Meetings 8:30-11pm in Mike's room, [5 Pusey Street](#), Room 8. Pusey Street is off St Giles (west side) at the Oxfam Bookshop. Number 5 is at the end on the right. Look for the buzzers hidden behind the column to the left of the door, and press the one for room 8 to be let in. There will be no library meeting on **Sunday of 4th week** (2nd November). Instead we will meet in the *Eagle and Child* (just past Pusey Street as you go up St Giles).

**Wednesday discussion meetings** (see below for topics) and **Author meeting** are held at 8pm in [Jesus College](#) in Seminar Room A. From the entrance to Jesus, go straight across first quad, through an archway into second quad and turn right. Go through another archway and turn left. Staircase XVIII is the modern block straight ahead. Go up the steps and through the door.

**Wednesday video meetings** (see below for programme) start at 8pm in [St. John's College](#), [JCR Video Room](#). Go through the front gate, turn left and go through the passage between the chapel and the college hall. Continue to the far end of this quad (North Quad) and through a second passageway into a third quad (Sir Thomas White Quad). Behind you and to your right there are steps to a sunken lawn. Go down the steps and along the path. Stop at the foot of Staircase Eight. To the right of the staircase is a glass door, propped open. Go through the door and the video room is on your left.

## Termcard

15 Oct	Wednesday	1st Week	Discussion	Setting the Boundaries
18 Oct	Saturday	1st Week	<b>Freshers' Drinks</b>	2-4pm in <a href="#">Balliol College's</a> , Massey Room
22 Oct	Wednesday	2nd Week	Videos	<a href="#">Equilibrium</a> and <a href="#">Angel</a> season 5 premier.
29 Oct	Wednesday	3rd Week	Discussion	<i>The Lonely Planet Guide To The 4th Dimension - A Time Traveller's Guide To Surviving The Past</i>
5 Nov	Wednesday	4th Week	Discussion	"Any fool can write pulp SF" - together we will do it in 2 hours!
12 Nov	Wednesday	5th Week	Videos	<a href="#">Barbarella</a> and <a href="#">Solaris</a>
19 Nov	Wednesday	6th Week	Author	To be confirmed
26 Nov	Wednesday	7th Week	Videos	<a href="#">Donnie Darko</a> and <a href="#">Tank Girl</a>
3 Dec	Wednesday	8th Week	Silly Games	in <a href="#">St. John's</a> , <a href="#">Graves Room</a>

Also... **Saturday, 1st Week:** Freshers' Drinks! This will be held from 2pm till 4pm at [Balliol College](#), The Massey Room (it'll be signposted). Do come along and meet us for drinks and nibbles (tee-totallers and vegetarians also catered for), introduction, conversation, and a spot of acclimatisation.

There will also be **bonus videos**, [Dune TV miniseries](#), and a **Christmas party**. Details to be decided.

# OUSFG Trinity Termcard 2003

**Every Sunday:** [Library](#) Meetings from 8pm in Alx and Archie's house, [48 Cranham Street](#) (or you might prefer [this old map to direct you to where the library was in the olden days](#), but Cranham St is also shown).

**Wednesday discussion meetings** (see below for topics) are held at 8pm in [Jesus College](#) in Seminar Room B.

**Wednesday video meetings** (see below for programme) start at 8pm in [New College](#), Lecture Room 6 on Staircase 6 (*note new room*). This is the second staircase from the New College entrance. It has a door with a code. You can see into Lecture Room 6 through the big window to the right of the staircase entrance. If you're late you should be able to see the video playing through the window, so just knock on the window if you want to be let in.

## Termcard

30 Apr	Wednesday	1st Week	Discussion	OUSFG Top Ten
7 May	Wednesday	2nd Week	Videos	<a href="#">The Flipside of Dominick Hide</a> and <i>Another Flip for Dominick</i>
14 May	Wednesday	3rd Week	Discussion	Quiz Night
17 May	Saturday	3rd Week	Banquet	OUSFG Banquet
21 May	Wednesday	4th Week	Videos	<a href="#">Brazil</a> and episode(s) from <a href="#">Spaced</a>
28 May	Wednesday	5th Week	Discussion	William Burroughs cut and paste novel creation
4 Jun	Wednesday	6th Week	Videos	<a href="#">The Animatrix</a> and <a href="#">Lara Croft: Tomb Raider</a>
11 Jun	Wednesday	7th Week	Discussion	<b>Sonia</b> on <i>French SF</i>
14 Jun	Saturday	7th Week	Punt Party	
18 Jun	Wednesday	8th Week	Silly Games	in <a href="#">St. John's</a> , <a href="#">Graves Room</a>

The **black tie banquet** will be in [Balliol College](#) on Saturday of 3rd Week (17th May). The **punt party** (complete with the traditional panto) will be on Saturday of 7th Week (14th June). More details of both events will be posted later.

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# OUSFG Hilary Termcard 2004

**Every Sunday:** [Library](#) Meetings (and [AGM](#) in 7th Week) from 8:30pm in Sebastian's room, [Martin Building, Holywell Manor](#), Room 10.

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**Wednesday discussion meetings and speaker meeting** (see below for topics) are held at 8pm in [Jesus College](#) in Seminar Room A. From the entrance to Jesus, go straight across first quad, through an archway into second quad and turn right. Go through another archway and turn left. Staircase XVIII is the modern block straight ahead. Go up the steps and through the door.

**Wednesday video meetings** (see below for programme) start at 8pm in the Mac Building JCR in [Pembroke College](#) ([map](#)), which is on the road off St Aldates, opposite the Christ Church front door. Go down to the end, to the large wooden doors on your left (kind of in a corner) where, if you are on time, Mark will be waiting to let you in. If you get in on your own, go through the main entrance into a quad, and go through the passageway to your right, into another quad. Follow the path around past the building on the right, go through an archway, between some more buildings (a toilet block and staircase 8) and into a third quad with houses on the far side. Turn left and walk all the way down to the large black gates. Walk up the steps to your right, around the corner and there's the door to the building you want. This will be locked, so knock on the window to your left as you reach the top of the steps for someone to come and let you in.

## Termcard

21 Jan	Wednesday	1st Week	Discussion	Alx on Comics
28 Jan	Wednesday	2nd Week	Videos	<a href="#">Spirited Away</a> and <a href="#">Spaced</a> .
1 Feb	Sunday	3rd Week	<a href="#">Bonus Videos</a>	<i>The Lord of the Rings</i> (extended versions, much better than the cinematic releases). At 3:00pm, <a href="#">The Fellowship of the Ring</a> , and at 7:30pm, <a href="#">The Two Towers</a>
4 Feb	Wednesday	3rd Week	Discussion	Quiz
7 Feb	Saturday	3rd Week	<a href="#">Picocon</a>	with guest authors <a href="#">Peter F. Hamilton</a> , <a href="#">Paul McAuley</a> , and <a href="#">Adam Roberts</a> . A group of us will be going up to London for this one-day SF Convention.
11 Feb	Wednesday	4th Week	Videos	<a href="#">Orlando</a> and <a href="#">Dark City</a> (to be confirmed)
18 Feb	Wednesday	5th Week	Discussion	Niall on SF TV
25 Feb	Wednesday	6th Week	Videos	SF TV as recommended by Niall: <a href="#">Carnivale</a> - Pilot episode ("Milfay"), <a href="#">Farscape</a> - "...Different Destinations" (Series 3, Episode 5), and <a href="#">Firefly</a> - "Out of Gas" or "Our Mrs Reynolds" depending on the audience mood.
27 Feb	Friday	6th Week	Banquet	<b>Black tie banquet</b> in <a href="#">Balliol College</a> . There will be a reception at 7pm, followed by dinner at 7:30.
29 Feb	Sunday	7th Week	AGM	<b>AGM</b> in the library from 8:30pm. Brush up on the <a href="#">OUSFG Constitution</a> to understand a little better the surrealality that is our annual general meeting.
3 Mar	Wednesday	7th Week	Videos	<a href="#">Aliens</a> (extended version), introduced by Laura. Followed by discussion in G&Ds.
10 Mar	Wednesday	8th Week	Speaker	<b>Jason Kingsley</b> (founder of <a href="#">Rebellion</a> Games and publisher of <a href="#">2000AD</a> ) will tell us about the SF comic

Instead of the library meeting, **Sunday of 3rd Week** (1st February) will be bonus videos, *The Lord of the Rings* (see above), instead of the library meeting. These will start at 3pm in [Angharad](#)'s house.

OUSFG members may also be interested in the [Sci-Fi London](#) film festival, 29th January (Thursday, 2nd week) to 1st February (Sunday, 3rd week).

# OUSFG Michaelmas Termcard 2004

**Every Sunday** of term (except 1st week (10 Oct) and 8th week (28 Nov)): [Library](#) Meetings are now 8:30 - 11.30pm in Laura's room, the Weston Buildings, House 2, Room 3. [This nice map from Laura](#) should get you to the Weston Buildings (just along the road from Sebastian's room in Holywell Manor, where we had the fresher's drinks and 2nd Week meeting). Go past the lodge and down the first set of steps, then along to the house with 2 on the door. Laura's buzzer is the 3rd from the bottom.

**Wednesday discussion meetings** (except 3rd week, see below), **speaker meeting**, and **silly games** (see below for topics) are held at 8pm in [Jesus College](#) in Seminar Room A. From the entrance to Jesus, go straight across first quad, through an archway into second quad and turn right. Go through another archway and turn left. Staircase XVIII is the modern block straight ahead. Go up the steps and through the door.

**Wednesday video meetings** (see below for programme) usually start at 8pm in in [St John's College](#) (on St Giles; see [map](#)) [JCR video room](#).

## Termcard

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|--------|-----------|----------|-------------------------|--|
| 10 Oct | Sunday    | 1st Week | <b>Freshers' Drinks</b> | 4-6pm in the bar of <a href="#">Holywell Manor</a> (just below the library). It would probably be a bad idea to include a <a href="#">link</a> to descriptions of previous Freshers' Drinks on the Wiki.   |
| 13 Oct | Wednesday | 1st Week | Discussion              | <i>SF Books to films</i> : Examples of good and bad ones, why they are good/bad, and how adaptations should be handled to produce a good one. The term's video meetings will also be linked to this meeting, showing some examples of good films based on books.   |
| 20 Oct | Wednesday | 2nd Week | Video                   | <a href="#">A Clockwork Orange</a> .   |
| 27 Oct | Wednesday | 3rd Week | Discussion              | <i>Story Synthesis</i> led by Nick Clarke - in <a href="#">St Hilda's</a> Lady Brodie Room. The room is in the Hall Building, which is the first one you see directly opposite you as you go through the gates, and it's signposted as soon as you go into hall. There'll be someone waiting at the entrance before the meeting to wave people in the general direction. Working within the constraints of a few required plot elements can we come up with ideas and plot for a book or film? Previous stories have involved teleporting Swiss plane crash victims ( <i>or are they?</i> ) biotech (somehow involving the <a href="#">Great God Cthulhu</a> and a naked cloned murderer played by <a href="#">SM Gellar</a> ), alien contact (superintelligent bears rescue space station survivors), time travel, and cloning. |
| 3 Nov  | Wednesday | 4th Week | Video                   | <a href="#">Millennium</a> (that's the time travel film based on a John Varley novel, not the <a href="#">X-Files clone</a> ). Unfortunately <a href="#">The Handmaid's Tale</a> turned out to be difficult to obtain, but <a href="#">Millennium</a> should prove a fine replacement.   |
| 10 Nov | Wednesday | 5th Week | Discussion              | <a href="#">OUSFG Awards Discussion</a> .  |
| 13 Nov | Saturday  | 5th Week | Bonus Videos            | <a href="#">Dune</a> (the TV series): afternoon/evening at Angharad's house.   |
| 17 Nov | Wednesday | 6th Week | Video                   | <a href="#">Forbidden Planet</a>   |
| 24 Nov | Wednesday | 7th Week | <b>Speaker Meeting</b>  | <a href="#">Juliet E McKenna</a> in <a href="#">Jesus College</a> , Seminar Room A (as for discussion meetings). " <i>That was then and this is now - Thoughts on five years as a professional SF&amp;F writer.</i> "  |
| 27 Nov | Saturday  | 7th Week | <b>Christmas Party</b>  | New Music Room, Corpus Christi. Contact <a href="#">Mike Froggatt</a> by Wednesday.  |
| 1 Dec  | Wednesday | 8th Week | Silly Games             | in <a href="#">Jesus College</a> , Seminar Room A (as for discussion meetings).  |

There will also be a **Christmas Party** and two **bonus video meetings**: [Dune](#) (the TV series) and [Babylon 5](#) (3rd and 4th seasons, with introduction for newcomers).

Unless you are a time traveller looking for something to do last summer, you might prefer to [go here](#) for the Michaelmas termcard.

## OUSFG Trinity Termcard 2004

**Every Sunday:** [Library](#) Meetings (and the [auction](#) in 3rd Week) from 8:30pm in Sebastian's room, [Martin Building, Holywell Manor](#), Room 10.

The Martin building is part of the Holywell Manor grad complex for Balliol. It's on St Cross Rd opposite Holywell Manor itself which is on the corner of St Cross and Manor Roads (the road that leads to St Catz). Sebastian's number is 281364. There is a doorbell out the front but it rings throughout the whole building. If you are unsure either give a ring on approach or just drop into the Manor itself and ask one of the friendly porters and they will call for you.

**Wednesday discussion meetings and speaker meeting** (see below for topics) are held at 8pm in [Jesus College](#) in Seminar Room A. From the entrance to Jesus, go straight across first quad, through an archway into second quad and turn right. Go through another archway and turn left. Staircase XVIII is the modern block straight ahead. Go up the steps and through the door.

**Wednesday video meetings** (see below for programme) usually start at 8pm in in [St John's College](#) (on St Giles; see [map](#)) [JCR video room](#).

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28 Apr	Wednesday	1st Week	Discussion	<i>SF Utopias</i> (Angharad)
5 May	Wednesday	2nd Week	Video	<a href="#">Dark Star</a> introduced by Alx
9 May	Sunday	3rd Week	<del>Auction</del>	<del>Book auction in (and of) the OUSFG library</del>
12 May	Wednesday	3rd Week	Discussion	<i>The Cold War and SF</i> (Mike)
19 May	Wednesday	4th Week	Video	<a href="#">Hardware</a> introduced and (would you believe it) defended by Sebastianin. In the Holywell Manor TV room.
26 May	Wednesday	5th Week	Discussion	<i>The Future ain't what it used to be</i> (Tim vs Colin)
2 Jun	Wednesday	6th Week	Video	<a href="#">Shadow of the Vampire</a>
9 Jun	Wednesday	7th Week	Discussion	<i>Health and Safety in a Zombie Apocalypse</i> (Alx)
12 Jun	Saturday	7th Week	Bonus Videos	<a href="#">Babylon 5</a> from 2pm at Ian and Ruth's house (schedule to be decided)
16 Jun	Wednesday	8th Week	Silly Games	in <a href="#">St. John's, Graves Room</a>
19 Jun	Saturday	8th Week	<b>Punt Party</b>	with panto! (details to be announced)

**4th Week video meeting** (*Hardware* on 19th May) will be in the TV room in Holywell Manor (across the road from the Sebastian's room, the OUSFG library). Go straight in the front door, and then through the door on the left hand side of the grandfather clock in the main foyer (or, straight ahead into the bar, turn left and straight through the double doors) into the TV room. Sebastian will wait at the lodge until around 7:55pm, then others will have to get the porter to let them in.

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# OUSFG Hilary Termcard 2005

**Sunday Library Meetings** (and AGM) from 8:30 to 11.30pm are this term in [Balliol](#), staircase XXII. They are on alternate weeks in Louise's room (number 3, even-numbered weeks) and Eleanor's room (number 18, odd weeks). To find staircase XXII, go in through the main entrance of Balliol, and across to the archway in the far left corner of the front quad. Go through the arch, then turn 90 degrees to the right and go across the back quad until you get to the steps leading up to the hall. Turn left (in a 10 o'clock direction) to go underneath the ugly bridge made of concrete. Under the bridge on the right is the door to staircase XXII. The door combination was sent in an e-mail to [ousfg-announce](#), but if you didn't get it, e-mail [Mark](#).

**Wednesday discussion meetings** (see below for topics) are held at 8pm in [Jesus College](#) in Seminar Room A (except where indicated below). From the entrance to Jesus, go straight across first quad, through an archway into second quad and turn right. Go through another archway and turn left. Staircase XVIII is the modern block straight ahead. Go up the steps and through the door.

**Wednesday video meetings** (see below for programme) start at 8pm in in [St John's College](#) (on St Giles; see [map](#)) [JCR video room](#).

## Termcard

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|--------|-----------|----------|-----------------|--|
| 19 Jan | Wednesday | 1st Week | Video           | <a href="#">Shaun of the Dead</a>  |
| 26 Jan | Wednesday | 2nd Week | Discussion      | Quiz - Back by popular demand, the OUSFG quiz. People bring along any questions they feel would be suitable for an OUSFG quiz (i.e. vaguely SF & F related), often in a themed round. We then split into teams, and each person takes turns setting their questions to the other teams. The questions tend to require lateral thinking rather than detailed knowledge, so don't be put off if you are only an occasional reader/filmgoer - many of the old hands are shit ignorant, so you can't fail to raise the quality of your team.   |
| 2 Feb  | Wednesday | 3rd Week | Video           | <a href="#">The Manchurian Candidate (1962 version)</a>  |
| 9 Feb  | Wednesday | 4th Week | Discussion      | author and space expert, Colin Jack, will lead a discussion on <i>Easy Travel To Other Planets</i> .<br><br>One of the oldest dreams of SF is to find a really cool way to explore the universe. In fact the logo on the official OUSFG T-shirt used to be <i>Per Dementia Ad Astra</i> . I have long dreamed about lateral-thinking forms of space travel, and to my amazement actually got a grant from the European Space Agency to develop one of them.<br><br>Today, however, I will be talking about "seriously" eccentric ideas for getting to other planets, within and beyond the solar system. This will be an interactive session, and people are invited to bring along their own maddest idea for consideration. There's many a true word spoken in jest....                        |
| 16 Feb | Wednesday | 5th Week | Speaker Meeting | <a href="#">Cory Doctorow</a> at 8pm in The Arts room, staircase 7, <a href="#">Trinity College</a> ( <a href="#">map</a> ). See the <a href="#">meeting announcement</a> for more details.  |
| 18 Feb | Friday    | 5th Week | Banquet         | from 7pm, in <a href="#">Pembroke College</a> . You need to book by Friday of 4th Week: <a href="#">menu and booking details</a> .   |
| 19 Feb | Saturday  | 5th Week | Picocon         | OUSFG's annual day-trip to ICSF's SF & F convention in London.   |
| 23 Feb | Wednesday | 6th Week | Video           | <a href="#">Strange Days</a>   |
| 2 Mar  | Wednesday | 7th Week | Discussion      | Nick Clarke on <i>Technobabble and stuff</i> . This meeting will be in <a href="#">Oriol College</a> , Lecture Room 2 ( <a href="#">map</a> ). The room is in the island site, near the point marked 'Harris Building'. You can either try to enter through the O'Brien gate (small entrance from Oriol street), or, if it's locked, you can enter through the lodge, then turn left and enter second quad, carry on across second quad, taking the passage to the left, through the tunnel, and then turn left to emerge where you would be if you'd come through the O'Brien gate. Once you're there, you want to head straight as if you were coming in through the gate, then turn left when you can and go through the door in the tall green building up ahead. LR2 is on the third floor. |
| 6 Mar  | Sunday    | 8th Week | AGM             | Annual General Meeting (in the <a href="#">Library</a> )   |
| 9 Mar  | Wednesday | 8th Week | Silly Games     | in <a href="#">St. John's</a> , Graves Room.   |



# OUSFG Michaelmas Termcard 2005

**Sunday Library Meetings** are 8:30 to 11.30pm (from 2nd Week, 16 Oct) in the rooms of our Librarians on Jowett Walk, which is off the Mansfield road, quite close to where we had fresher's drinks (see [map](#)). On alternate Sundays they will be in Louise's room (even weeks) and Owen's room (odd weeks). To get into the buildings, you will need the door codes. If you didn't get the e-mail announcement containing the codes, please e-mail [Mark and Tim](#).

To get to Louise's room: Go in through the gates (code required) turn left and go up the steps. Then go right over the bridge and into the first tower on your right (code required). Then go up one flight of stairs and right through the doors. The room is first on the left (room 2-7).

To get to Owen's room: Go in through the gates (code is required) turn left and go up the steps. Then go right over the bridge and into the second tower on your right (code required). Then go through the doors to your left and the room is in front of you (room 4-2).

**Wednesday discussion and author meetings** (see below for topics) are held at 8pm in [Jesus College](#) in Seminar Room A. From the entrance to Jesus, go straight across first quad, through an archway into second quad and turn right. Go through another archway and turn left. Staircase XVIII is the modern block straight ahead. Go up the steps and through the door.

**Wednesday video meetings** (see below for programme) start at 8pm in in Holywell Manor TV room. Holywell Manor is on the corner of St Cross and Manor Roads (on the way to St Catz) - see [map](#). Go straight in the front door and straight ahead into the bar. Then turn left and go through the double doors next to the bar and you'll be in the TV room.

## Termcard

9 Oct	Sunday	1st Week	<b>Freshers' Drinks</b>	4-6pm in the Holywell Manor bar. Holywell Manor is on the corner of St Cross and Manor Roads (on the way to St Catz) - see <a href="#">map</a> . Go straight in the front door and straight ahead into the bar. It would probably be a bad idea to include a <a href="#">link</a> to descriptions of previous Freshers' Drinks.
12 Oct	Wednesday	1st Week	Discussion	<a href="#">OUSFG Awards</a> discussion, led by Ruth. This will start the process of selecting the 2nd annual OUSFG Award, which is for the best "speculative fiction" novel published in paperback during the preceding year (i.e. October 2004 to September 2005 in this case). Come along to find out what's new, and discuss suggestions of what to read. We will pick a short-list next term, and have a final vote next summer.
16 Oct	Sunday	2nd Week	Bonus Video	The original <a href="#">Firefly</a> TV series, which is continued in the just-released chart-topping movie, <a href="#">Serenity</a> . 1-8pm at Tim's house (possibly continued in Louise's room after the Library Meeting). Contact <a href="#">Tim</a> for details.
19 Oct	Wednesday	2nd Week	Video	<a href="#">The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy</a> movie, introduced by Colin.
26 Oct	Wednesday	3rd Week	<b>Author</b>	<a href="#">Jon Courtenay Grimwood</a> , probably in Jesus College (Seminar Room A as usual).
2 Nov	Wednesday	4th Week	Discussion	<i>Tentacular Vikings Evening</i> , organised by Tim. Working within the constraints of a few required plot elements can we come up with ideas and plot for a book or film? Previous stories have involved teleporting Swiss plane crash victims ( <i>or are they?</i> ) biotech (somehow involving the <a href="#">Great God Cthulhu</a> and a naked cloned murderer played by <a href="#">SM Gellar</a> ), alien contact (superintelligent bears rescue space station survivors). Oh yes, and <a href="#">tentacular Vikings</a> .
7 Nov	<b>Monday</b>	5th Week	Quiz	SF quiz - battle of wits and knowledge against Treksoc, Geeksoc, <a href="#">Docsoc</a> , <a href="#">Tolksoc</a> , and <a href="#">RPGsoc</a> . 8pm, Lecture Room 2, Christ Church.
9 Nov	Wednesday	5th Week	Video	<a href="#">Angel Heart</a> , introduced by Tim.
16 Nov	Wednesday	6th Week	<b>Speaker / Workshop</b>	<a href="#">Juliet E McKenna</a> will run her popular creative writers' workshop. Maybe, with her advice, we'll even be able to turn the previous week's incoherent ramblings into a proper story.
23 Nov	Wednesday	7th Week	Video	<a href="#">The Chronicles of Riddick</a> , introduced by Sebastian.
26 Nov	Saturday	7th Week	Party	Joint OUSFG/ <a href="#">RPGSoc</a> Christmas Party. Location to be decided.
30 Nov	Wednesday	8th Week	Silly Games	

# OUSFG Trinity Termcard 2005

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|----------|-----------|----------|------------|--|
| 27 April | Wednesday | 1st Week | Author     | <a href="#">Brian Stableford</a> in Jesus College (Seminar Room A as usual).   |
| 2 May    | Monday    | 2nd Week | Cinema     | We'll be seeing <a href="#">The Hitchhikers Guide to the Galaxy</a> film together at 8.30pm at the Magdalen Street Odeon   |
| 4 May    | Wednesday | 2nd Week | Discussion | <a href="#">OUSFG Award</a> Balloon Debate - discussion of the five novels shortlisted for the OUSFG award: <a href="#">The Separation</a> - Christopher Priest; <a href="#">Set This House in Order</a> - Matt Ruff; <a href="#">The Light Ages</a> - Ian R. Macleod; <a href="#">Coalescent</a> - Stephen Baxter; <a href="#">The Portrait of Mrs. Charbuque</a> - Jeffrey Ford. |
| 9 May    | Monday    | 3rd Week | Quiz       | SF quiz - battle of wits and knowledge against Treksoc, <a href="#">Docsoc</a> , <a href="#">Tolksoc</a> , and <a href="#">RPGsoc</a> . 8pm, Lecture Room 2, Christ Church.  |
| 11 May   | Wednesday | 3rd Week | Video      | <a href="#">Planeta Bur</a> , introduced by Mike.  |
| 18 May   | Wednesday | 4th Week | Video      | <a href="#">Code 46</a> , introduced by Tim.   |
| 25 May   | Wednesday | 5th Week | Video      | <a href="#">Cypher</a> , introduced by Sebastian.  |
| 1 Jun    | Wednesday | 6th Week | Discussion | <a href="#">Philosophy in SF</a> by Carsten  |
| 8 Jun    | Wednesday | 7th Week | Video      | <a href="#">Wonderfalls</a> , Intro by Sparky Mark.  |
| 15 Jun   | Wednesday | 8th Week |            | Barbeque at Angharad's house   |
| 18 Jun   | Saturday  | 8th Week | Punt Party |  |

This term we may also have a **Bonus Video Meeting** - either [Babylon 5](#) (seasons 3 and 4) or [Children of Dune](#).

# OUSFG Hilary Termcard 2006

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**Wednesday discussion and author meetings and silly games** (see below for topics) are held at 8pm in [Jesus College](#) in Seminar Room A, unless stated otherwise below. From the entrance to Jesus, go straight across first quad, through an archway into second quad and turn right. Go through another archway and turn left. Staircase XVIII is the modern block straight ahead. Go up the steps and through the door.

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18 Jan	Wednesday	1st Week	Video	<a href="#">War of the Worlds</a>
25 Jan	Wednesday	2nd Week	Discussion	by Owen on <i>World Building</i> in Jesus GCR Bunker. The bunker is downstairs in staircase 11 - back right corner of second quad ( <a href="#">map</a> ).
30 Jan	<b>Monday</b>	3rd Week	Quiz	SF quiz - battle of wits and knowledge against Treksoc, <a href="#">Docsoc</a> , <a href="#">Tolksoc</a> , and <a href="#">RPGsoc</a> . 8pm, Lecture Room 2, Christ Church.
1 Feb	Wednesday	3rd Week	Video	<a href="#">Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow</a>
8 Feb	Wednesday	4th Week	Video	<a href="#">The Butterfly Effect</a>
15 Feb	Wednesday	5th Week	Discussion	in <a href="#">St Hilda's - Lady Brodie Room</a> (The room is in the Hall Building, which is the first one you see directly opposite you as you go through the gates, and it's signposted as soon as you go into hall).

We have a guest speaker, William Bains (ex-OUSFG member and instigator of [Zool](#)) on *Biotechnology and Life Extension*: current technology and what is likely to work, current understanding of ageing and what it means for the practicality of Boosterspace, freezing your head and other science fictional technologies, and how long we might have to wait before we live forever.

You might like to think of your favourite example of science fictional biomedical, longevity or immortality treatment, and we can also talk about the possibility that they would work, given what we know or suspect today.

18 Feb	Saturday	5th Week	<b>Picocon</b>	<a href="#">Picocon</a> is a one-day Science Fiction and Fantasy convention at Imperial College, London.
22 Feb	Wednesday	6th Week	Video	<a href="#">Sin City</a> introduced by Katy
24 Feb	Friday	6th Week	<b>Banquet</b>	in <a href="#">Pembroke College</a>
1 Mar	Wednesday	7th Week	<b>Author</b>	<a href="#">Ian R. MacLeod</a> in <a href="#">Oriol</a> Lecture Room 2 (near the Harris Building on this <a href="#">map</a> )
8 Mar	Wednesday	8th Week	Silly Games	in <a href="#">St Hilda's - Lady Brodie Room</a>

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**Sunday Library Meetings** are from 8:30 in [The Mitre](#) (usually in the quiet room at the back). Come along for friendly chat and book recommendations. Books can also be requested from the librarian, or returned.

**Wednesday discussion and author meetings** (see below for topics) are held at 8pm in the [Lady Brodie Room](#) in [St Hilda's College](#). The room is in the Hall Building, which is the first one you see directly opposite you as you go through the gates, and it's signposted as soon as you go into hall.

**Wednesday video meetings** (see below for programme) start at 8pm in [Linacre College's](#) ([map](#)) TV room. On entering Linacre lodge, turn right and go through the doorway, and *then* go down stairs half a floor. Take the doorway on the right of that landing (there should be a payphone in front of you), and the TV room is the unmarked door on your left. [[detailed directions](#)]

## Termcard

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|--------|-----------|----------|-------------------------|--|
| 8 Oct  | Sunday    | 1st Week | <b>Freshers' Drinks</b> | 4-6pm in the Holywell Manor bar. Holywell Manor is on the corner of St Cross and Manor Roads (on the way to St Catz) - see <a href="#">map</a> . Go straight in the front door and straight ahead into the bar.<br>It would probably be a bad idea to include a <a href="#">link</a> to descriptions of previous Freshers' Drinks.   |
| 11 Oct | Wednesday | 1st Week | Discussion              | <i>How to Build a Time Machine</i> . Discussion led by Tim.  |
| 18 Oct | Wednesday | 2nd Week | <b>Author</b>           | <a href="#">Pat Cadigan</a> - in St Hilda's Lady Brodie Room as usual.   |
| 25 Oct | Wednesday | 3rd Week | Video                   | <a href="#">V for Vendetta</a> , introduced by Tim.  |
| 1 Nov  | Wednesday | 4th Week | Discussion              | <i>Superpowers</i> . Discussion led by Owen.   |
| 8 Nov  | Wednesday | 5th Week | Video                   | <a href="#">Edward Scissorhands</a> or <a href="#">S1m0ne</a>  |
| 15 Nov | Wednesday | 6th Week | Video                   | <a href="#">Constantine</a>  |
| 22 Nov | Wednesday | 7th Week | Discussion              | <a href="#">OUSFG Awards</a> discussion, run by Becky. This will start the process of selecting the 3rd annual OUSFG Award, which is for the best "speculative fiction" novel published in paperback during the preceding year (i.e. October 2005 to September 2006 in this case). Come along to find out what's new, and discuss suggestions of what to read. We will pick a short-list next term, and have a final vote in the summer. |
| 24 Nov | Friday    | 7th Week | <b>Party</b>            | Joint OUSFG/ <a href="#">RPGSoc</a> Christmas Party in Morden Hall ( <a href="#">map</a> ), <a href="#">St Hugh's College</a> . Contact Sebastian to reserve a ticket.   |
| 29 Nov | Wednesday | 8th Week | Video                   | <a href="#">Contact</a>  |

# OUSFG Trinity Termcard 2006

**Sunday Library Meetings** are 8:30 to 11.30pm in the rooms of our Librarians on Jowett Walk, which is off the Mansfield road (see [map](#)). On alternate Sundays they will be in Louise's room (odd weeks) and Owen's room (even weeks). To get into the buildings, you will need the door codes. If you didn't get the e-mail announcement containing the codes, please e-mail [Mark and Tim](#).

To get to Louise's room: Go in through the gates (code required) turn left and go up the steps. Then go right over the bridge and into the first tower on your right (code required). Then go up one flight of stairs and right through the doors. The room is first on the left (room 2-7).

To get to Owen's room: Go in through the gates (code is required) turn left and go up the steps. Then go right over the bridge and into the second tower on your right (code required). Then go through the doors to your left and the room is in front of you (room 4-2).

**Wednesday discussion and author meetings** (see below for topics) are held at 8pm in the [Lady Brodie Room](#) in [St Hilda's](#). The room is in the Hall Building, which is the first one you see directly opposite you as you go through the gates, and it's signposted as soon as you go into hall.

**Wednesday video meetings** (see below for programme) start at 8pm in in Holywell Manor TV room. Holywell Manor is on the corner of St Cross and Manor Roads (on the way to St Catz) - see [map](#). Go straight in the front door and straight ahead into the bar. Then turn left and go through the double doors next to the bar and you'll be in the TV room.

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26 Apr	Wednesday	1st Week	Video	<a href="#">The Island</a> , introduced by Mark
29 Apr	Saturday	1st Week	Book Crawl	Raiding the second-hand bookshops of Oxford for new additions to the <a href="#">OUSFG library</a> .
3 May	Wednesday	2nd Week	<b>Author</b>	OUSFG's own <a href="#">Frances Hardinge</a>
10 May	Wednesday	3rd Week	Discussion	<i>Faster Than Light Travel</i> , led by Nick
16 May	Tuesday	4th Week	Quiz	SF quiz - battle of wits and knowledge against Treksoc, <a href="#">Docsoc</a> , <a href="#">Tolksoc</a> , and <a href="#">RPGsoc</a> et al. 8pm, Lecture Room A, <a href="#">Magdalen College</a> .
17 May	Wednesday	4th Week	Video	<a href="#">The League of Extraordinary Gentlemen</a> , introduced by Mark
18 May	Thursday	4th Week		We will see <a href="#">Wyrd Sisters</a> together, 7:30pm.
24 May	Wednesday	5th Week	Discussion	<i>Space Elevators</i> , led by James and Colin
31 May	Wednesday	6th Week	Video	<a href="#">Serenity</a> , introduced by Tim
7 Jun	Wednesday	7th Week	Discussion	<i>OUSFG Award</i> discussion, led by Ruth
10 Jun	Saturday	7th Week	Punt Party	where we punt to <a href="#">Parsons' Pleasure</a> , picnic, and perform the traditional <a href="#">OUSFG pantomime</a> . 1-8pm.
14 Jun	Wednesday	8th Week	Discussion	Storytelling (in the Sibthorpe Room - also in St Hilda's - just down the corridor from the Lady Brodie Room)

**Bonus meeting:** At the Library meeting on Sunday of 4th Week (14 May) there will be food - cook your own food and bring and share.

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**Sunday Library Meetings** are from 7:30pm in Sophia's room: room 26 in the Martin Building on St. Cross Road. From the High Street, go up Longwall Street until it turns into St. Cross Road. Opposite St. Cross Church and Manor Road, you will find a flight of steps. Go up these steps; the building on the left is the Martin Building ([map](#)). You will need a code to get in the door - if you don't have it, mail [ousfg@herald.ox.ac.uk](mailto:ousfg@herald.ox.ac.uk).

**Wednesday discussion and author meetings** (see below for topics) are held at 8pm in the [Lady Brodie Room](#) in [St Hilda's College](#). The room is in the Hall Building, which is the first one you see directly opposite you as you go through the gates, and it's signposted as soon as you go into hall.

**Wednesday video meetings** (see below for programme) start at 8pm in [Linacre College's](#) ([map](#)) TV room. On entering Linacre lodge, turn right and go through the doorway, and *then* go down stairs half a floor. Take the doorway on the right of that landing (there should be a payphone in front of you), and the TV room is the unmarked door on your left. [[detailed directions](#)]

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| 17 Jan | Wednesday | 1st Week | Discussion     | <i>The Lonely Planet Guide to the 4th Dimension</i> . Discussion led by Tim and Sophia.  |
| 24 Jan | Wednesday | 2nd Week | Video          | <a href="#">Spirited Away</a>  |
| 31 Jan | Wednesday | 3rd Week | Discussion     | <i>The Definition of Life</i> . Discussion led by David.   |
| 5 Feb  | Monday    | 4th Week | <b>Banquet</b> | in <a href="#">Balliol College</a> Hall, starting at 8pm. Meet Balliol Buttery at 7:45pm.  |
| 7 Feb  | Wednesday | 4th Week | Video          | One episode of three different TV shows - bring your favourite and we might show it!   |
| 13 Feb | Tuesday   | 5th Week | Quiz           | Oxford Geek Quiz - battle of wits and knowledge against Docsoc, Toksoc, RPGsoc, et al. 8pm, North Quad Lecture Room, Staircase 4, <a href="#">St. John's College</a> . |
| 14 Feb | Wednesday | 5th Week | Discussion     | <i>The Space Program in Film</i> . Discussion led by Sophia.   |
| 21 Feb | Wednesday | 6th Week | <b>Author</b>  | <a href="#">Alastair Reynolds</a> , "Writing Hard SF in the 21st Century: how not to box yourself into an N-dimensional hypercorner".                                  |
| 25 Feb | Sunday    | 7th Week | AGM            | OUSFG Annual General Meeting, 7:30pm in Sophia's room.   |
| 28 Feb | Wednesday | 7th Week | Video          | <a href="#">Dogma</a>  |
| 7 Mar  | Wednesday | 8th Week | Discussion     | <i>Science Fiction and Fantasy in Children's Fiction</i> . Discussion led by Ruth.   |



# OUSFG Michaelmas Termcard 2007

**Sunday Library Meetings** (from 2nd Week, 14th October) are held from 8pm till late in the shared house inhabited by our Librarians near Botley Road. These evenings are an opportunity to socialise, and chat about life, the universe and everything, whilst also perusing and borrowing from OUSFG's library of over 2,400 books.

**Wednesday discussion meetings** (see below for topics and specific locations) are held at 8pm in [St Hilda's College Lady Brodie Room](#) or [New College](#) Lecture Room 4 or 6.

**Wednesday video meetings** (see below for programme) start at 8pm in [New College](#) Lecture Room 4 or 6.

St Hilda's Lady Brodie Room is in Hall Building, which is the first one you see directly opposite you as you go through the gates, and it's signposted as soon as you go into hall. New College Lecture Rooms 4 and 6 are marked "C" or "D" respectively on this [map](#) (or [PDF](#)).

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| 7 Oct  | Sunday    | 1st Week | <b>Freshers' Drinks</b> | 4-7pm In the Private Dining Room at <a href="#">St. Catherine's College</a> (see <a href="#">map</a> ), near the <a href="#">bar and JCR</a> . Drop in for obligation-free drinks and nibbles, introductions, and conversation! It would probably be a bad idea to include a <a href="#">link</a> to descriptions of previous Freshers' Drinks.   |
| 10 Oct | Wednesday | 1st Week | Discussion              | <i>Saving the World: how to repair environmental damage to planet Earth.</i> Discussion in St Hilda's Lady Brodie Room, led by Colin. Triffids? Asteroid collisions? Greenhouse effect? Someday we might have to save the world for real. Luckily, SF has given us lots of ideas! Come along for a lively discussion in St Hilda's College Lady Brodie Room.  |
| 17 Oct | Wednesday | 2nd Week | Video                   | <a href="#">Children of Men</a> in New College Lecture Room 6. In 2027, as humankind faces the likelihood of its own extinction, a disillusioned government agent agrees to help transport and protect a miraculously pregnant woman to a sanctuary at sea where her child's birth may help scientists to save the future of mankind (Dir: Alfonso Cuarón).   |
| 24 Oct | Wednesday | 3rd Week | Discussion              | <a href="#">OUSFG Awards</a> discussion in St Hilda's Lady Brodie Room, run by Owen. This will start the process of selecting the 4th annual OUSFG Award, which is for the best "speculative fiction" novel published in paperback during the preceding year (i.e. October 2006 to September 2007 in this case - <a href="#">see here for background</a> ). Come along to find out what's new, and discuss suggestions of what to read. We will pick a short-list next term, and have a final vote in the summer.   |
| 31 Oct | Wednesday | 4th Week | Video                   | <a href="#">Howl's Moving Castle</a> in New College Lecture Room 6. Studio Ghibli's magical adaptation of Diana Wynne Jones' fantasy (Dir: Hayao Miyazaki).   |
| 7 Nov  | Wednesday | 5th Week | Discussion              | <i>SF in Computer Games</i> discussion in New College Lecture Room 4, led by Zhifan. A Case for Speculative Fiction Stories in Computer Games: on the surface, it seems games should only interest people who have a competitive streak or seeking an adrenaline rush. But there is surprising breath and depth when it comes to narratives, and a lot of excellent-SF filled fun can be had. So come and share your own experiences, or hear the advantages that this relatively new medium can provide.   |
| 8 Nov  | Thursday  | 5th Week | Quiz                    | Oxford Geek Quiz - battle of wits and knowledge against Docsoc, Talksoc, RPGsoc, et al. 8pm (doors open 7.30ish), North Quad Lecture Room, Staircase 4, <a href="#">St. John's College</a> .  |
| 14 Nov | Wednesday | 6th Week | Discussion              | <i>Is Scientific Accuracy Important in Science Fiction?</i> Discussion in St Hilda's Lady Brodie Room, led by David. As anyone who has used a Thermos flask will know, a vacuum is a great thermal insulator. But in Hollywood, a movie character unlucky enough to fall out of their spaceship will instantly freeze solid - and you will probably hear it happening. Does science fiction have to play fast and loose with the real science? Would insisting on scientific accuracy lead to boring stories and dull visuals? Or are such goofs a cause of the public's scientific illiteracy, leading to poor decisions by voters and policy makers? Come and discuss this, while sharing your [least] favourite examples. Mentioning the Kessel Run is specifically forbidden. |
| 21 Nov | Wednesday | 7th Week | Video                   | TV Night in New College Lecture Room 4. A chance to recommend or request your favourite TV episodes.  |
| 24 Nov | Saturday  | 7th Week | <b>Christmas Party</b>  | 6:00pm to 10:30pm in St Hilda's South JCR. Bring any food, games, or optional fancy dress you like.<br>Directions: Go through St Hilda's main gate and immediately turn left. Follow the path into South Building (obvious by the many windows; it is the first door on your left), then turn right into a hall lined with notice boards. Go straight on, and the South JCR is on your left before you get to the stairs.   |

28 Nov Wednesday 8th Week Discussion Recommendations and Readings in New College Lecture Room 6. Bring your favourite passages from SF books, and read them or have them read by our resident Orator, talk about why you like them.

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**Sunday Library Meetings** are from 7:30pm in Heather's room in [St Hilda's](#) Christina Barratt Building, room 212. Here are some detailed directions from Heather:

Past the porters' lodge, there should be a black signpost in front of you; follow the sign for Christina Barratt Building. This entails going left until you come to South Building. Go into South Building through the door with the black sign next to it, then go through the next door, and you should be in the foyer of South. Go through the door in the far left corner. There should be double doors leading outside to your right; go outside and along the path, heading towards the Hideous Sixties Building of Doom. Follow the path when it goes left then straight ahead (you should be under a covered walkway). To your right is the Hideous Sixties Building of Doom, but I don't live there; there are two small openings in the wall on the left, and if you go through one of those you should be in front of a Shiny Modern Building of Joy. This should be signed as the Christina Barratt Building. Go inside and ascend the steps up to the second floor, then wander along the corridor until you find room 212. That's my room!

**Wednesday discussion meetings** (see below for topics) and **Silly Games** are held at 8pm in the [Lady Brodie Room](#) in [St Hilda's College](#). The room is in the Hall Building, which is the first one you see directly opposite you as you go through the gates, and it's signposted as soon as you go into hall.

**Wednesday video meetings** (see below for programme) start at 8pm in [Linacre College's](#) ([map](#)) TV room. On entering Linacre lodge, turn right and go through the doorway, and *then* go down stairs half a floor. Take the doorway on the right of that landing (there should be a payphone in front of you), and the TV room is the unmarked door on your left. [[detailed directions](#)]

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25 Apr	Wednesday	1st Week	Video	<a href="#">Capricorn One</a> and <a href="#">From the Earth to the Moon</a> (LEM Episode). Was OJ Simpson's Mars landing faked? It's hard to shed those extra pounds when you're a lunar lander.
28 Apr	Saturday	1st Week	Bonus Video	<a href="#">Battlestar Galactica TV movie</a> and as much of the <a href="#">first series</a> as we have time for before (and maybe after) <a href="#">Doctor Who</a> . 2:30pm at Tim's house.
2 May	Wednesday	2nd Week	Discussion	<i>How to Win Friends And Influence Aliens</i> : politics in Science Fiction and Fantasy - chaired by Steve
9 May	Wednesday	3rd Week	Video	<a href="#">Muppets in Space</a> . Gonzo searches for his roots - is the truth out there?
16 May	Wednesday	4th Week	Discussion	Elements of board game design - chaired by Lyndsey
23 May	Wednesday	5th Week	Video	<a href="#">The Second Coming</a> . Russell T Davies' story of how Christ came to Manchester
30 May	Wednesday	6th Week	Discussion	<a href="#">OUSFG Award</a> final selection
6 Jun	Wednesday	7th Week	Video	TV episodes night
9 Jun	Saturdayday	7th Week	<b>Punt Party</b>	This will be at Parson's Pleasure. To get there: walk east along South Parks Road, and at the corner by the Zoology building continue east in a straight line along the cycle path until you get to the river; leave the path by turning left just before you reach the river. We'll be somewhere on the large grassy area there.
13 Jun	Wednesday	8th Week	Silly Games	8pm in <a href="#">St Hilda's Sibthorpe Room</a> .

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**Sunday Library Meetings** (except 3rd Week) are held from 8pm till late in the shared house inhabited by our Librarians near Botley Road. These evenings are an opportunity to socialise, and chat about life, the universe and everything, whilst also perusing and borrowing from OUSFG's library of over 2,400 books.

**Discussion meetings** usually on **Wednesdays** (see below for dates and topics) and **Silly Games** are held at 8pm in [St Hilda's College Lady Brodie Room](#). This is in Hall Building, which is the first one you see directly opposite you as you go through the gates, and it's signposted as soon as you go into hall.

**Wednesday video meetings** (see below for programme) and **Speaker Meeting** start at 8pm in [New College](#) Lecture Room 4 - marked "C" on this [map](#) (or [PDF](#)). The 8th Week (5 March) Video Meeting will be in in New College Lecture Room 6 instead ("D" on the map).

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|--------|-----------------|----------|----------------|---|
| 16 Jan | Wednesday       | 1st Week | Discussion     | Recommendations and Readings. Choose your favourite passages from books, and our Orator will read them aloud for all to enjoy (or you can read them yourself). No spoilers please, make sure that the pieces stand by themselves (with perhaps just a small introduction) and try not to do anything too long. But otherwise, choose widely! Striking openings are especially good. You are welcome to come and listen even if you don't bring any readings.          |
| 23 Jan | Wednesday       | 2nd Week | Video          | <a href="#">Steamboy</a> . Steampunk anim . Ray is a young inventor living in the U.K. in the middle of the 19th century. Shortly before the first ever World Expo, a marvelous invention called the "Steam Ball", behind which a menacing power is hidden, arrives at his door from his grandfather Lloyd in the U.S. Meanwhile the nefarious Ohara Foundation has sent men to acquire the Steam Ball so that they can use its power towards their own illicit ends. |
| 30 Jan | Wednesday       | 3rd Week | <b>Author</b>  | <a href="#">Juliet E McKenna</a> on <i>Life, the Universe and Publishing</i> (in <a href="#">New College</a> Lecture Room 4).   |
| 6 Feb  | Wednesday       | 4th Week | Discussion     | <i>Making Magic</i> - led by Nick.  |
| 14 Feb | <b>Thursday</b> | 5th Week | Discussion     | <i>Philosophy in Speculative Fiction</i> led by Sebastian and Toby.   |
| 20 Feb | Wednesday       | 6th Week | Discussion     | <a href="#">OUSFG Awards</a> shortlist discussion, run by Owen.   |
| 21 Feb | Thursday        | 6th Week | <b>Quiz</b>    | Oxford Geek Quiz - battle of wits and knowledge against Docsoc, Talksoc, RPGsoc, et al. Please bring your own round of questions if you have one (don't tell anyone the answers). Location to be confirmed.   |
| 23 Feb | Saturday        | 6th Week | <b>Banquet</b> | Black-tie dinner at Rewley House. Please contact David Szwer ( <a href="mailto:ousfg@herald.ox.ac.uk">ousfg@herald.ox.ac.uk</a> ) by 30th January to book your ticket.  |
| 24 Feb | Sunday          | 7th Week | AGM            | Annual General Meeting (as part of the Library Meeting).  |
| 27 Feb | Wednesday       | 7th Week | Silly Games    | in <a href="#">St Hilda's College Lady Brodie Room</a> .  |
| 5 Mar  | Wednesday       | 8th Week | Video          | To be announced. Will be held in in <a href="#">New College</a> Lecture Room 6 - marked "D" on this <a href="#">map</a> (or <a href="#">PDF</a> ).  |

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**Sunday Library Meetings** (from 2nd Week, 19th October) are held from 8pm till late in Thomas's room, in Holywell Street 6/7 ([map](#)), room 14. Go through the big wooden door to the Merton College Annexe on Holywell Street (nearly opposite the New College entrance). The closest door to Holywell 6/7 is immediately to your right, just before the porter's lodge ([another map](#)). Ring the buzzer for room 14 to be let in. Inside you need to go upstairs, downstairs, and up to room 14 at the top. You can ask at the door to be collected if you think you might get lost. (If the buzzer doesn't work, ask the porter to ring Thomas Keyton.)

These evenings are an opportunity to socialise, and chat about life, the universe and everything, whilst also perusing and borrowing from OUSFG's library of over 2,400 books.

**Wednesday discussion meetings** (see below for topics) and **author talk** are held at 8pm in [St Hilda's College](#) ([map](#)). The Sibthorpe and Lady Brodie Rooms are next to each other in Hall Building, which is the first one you see directly opposite you as you go through the gates. The rooms are signposted as soon as you enter the building. The Vernon Harcourt room (for the Charlie Stross talk) is above the dining hall in South building (see below for directions).

**Wednesday video meetings** (see below for programme) start at 8pm (except 8:30pm in 6th Week) in [New College](#) ([map](#)). Lecture Rooms 4 is marked "C" on this [map](#) (or [PDF](#)).

Sign up for the [ousfg-announce](#) mailing list to receive a reminder and detailed directions for each meeting.

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|--------|-----------|----------|-------------------------|---|
| 12 Oct | Sunday    | 1st Week | <b>Freshers' Drinks</b> | 3-6pm in <a href="#">St Hilda's College</a> MCR. St Hilda's is at the end of Cowley Place (on the right just over Magdalen Bridge, at the end of the High Street - see <a href="#">map</a> ). Past the college entrance, head to the right (and to the right of Hall building, <a href="#">map</a> ) where there are some outside stairs. The MCR is at the top.<br>Drop in for relaxed obligation-free drinks and nibbles, introductions, and conversation!  |
| 15 Oct | Wednesday | 1st Week | Discussion              | <i>Desert Planet Books</i> (or <i>10 books to read before you die</i> ). Discussion in St Hilda's Sibthorpe room. What are the ten SF/fantasy books most worth reading? Come along for a lively discussion and argue for your favourite book, or just for reading ideas — don't feel you have to say anything!  |
| 22 Oct | Wednesday | 2nd Week | Video                   | <a href="#">Blade Runner</a> in New College Lecture Room 4. Ridley Scott's Science Fiction noir classic, loosely based on Philip K. Dick's <i>Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep?</i> . A 2004 <i>Guardian</i> poll voted this the best SF movie of all time. If you haven't seen it before, come find out whether you agree. If you have seen it, come see it afresh: we will watch the recent "Final Cut". Tim will give a brief introduction, explaining some of the background to the long-running critical discussion of this film. |
| 29 Oct | Wednesday | 3rd Week | Discussion              | <i>Does non-human intelligence exist?</i> Discussion in St Hilda's Lady Brodie room, led by (and between!) Colin and Oliver. The first intelligent aliens we contact will have evolved... here on Earth! It's usually assumed that if we discover alien intelligence, it'll be from somewhere <i>out there</i> . But as we learn more about animals here on Earth, and how swiftly evolution can work, there is another possibility. The debate will be led by a physicist and a biologist - all are welcome to contribute.               |
| 5 Nov  | Wednesday | 4th Week | Video                   | <a href="#">MirrorMask</a> . An extraordinary dream quest to rescue a world out of balance. Written by Neil Gaiman ( <i>Good Omens</i> , <i>American Gods</i> , <i>Stardust</i> ,...).  |
| 12 Nov | Wednesday | 5th Week | Discussion              | <i>Surviving the Zombie Apocalypse</i> Discussion in St Hilda's Lady Brodie room, led by Alex.  |
| 13 Nov | Thursday  | 5th Week | <b>Quiz</b>             | Oxford Geek Quiz — battle of wits and knowledge against Docsoc, Talksoc, RPGsoc, et al. Please bring your own round of questions if you have one (don't tell anyone the answers). 8pm, <a href="#">St John's College</a> , North Quad Lecture Room.   |
| 19 Nov | Wednesday | 6th Week | Video                   | We had planned to see <a href="#">WALL-E</a> , but it wasn't yet out on DVD. Hopefully next term. It's Pixar animated comedy SF. What more can anyone want?   |
| 26 Nov | Wednesday | 7th Week | Discussion              | <i>OUSFG Awards</i> . Discussion in St Hilda's Lady Brodie room. This will start the process of selecting the 5th annual OUSFG Award, which is for the best "speculative fiction" novel published in paperback during the preceding year (i.e. October 2007 to September 2008 in this case — <a href="#">see here for background</a> ). Come along to find out what's new, and discuss suggestions of what to read. We will pick a short-list next term, and have a final vote in the summer.   |
| 29 Nov | Saturday  | 7th Week | <b>Christmas Party</b>  | from 6:30pm in the common room at <a href="#">Castle Mill</a> . Castle Mill is down Roger Dudman Way, which is the first road to your right past the railway underpass if you're coming from City Centre on Botley Road.  |

3 Dec Wednesday 8th Week **Author**

Science Fiction and Fantasy writer, [Charlie Stross](#), will speak to the society in St Hilda's Vernon Harcourt Room.

The Vernon Harcourt room is above the dining hall in South building; on entry to Hilda's veer around to the left. South building will be to your left (it faces the river) — enter the door in the middle, go through the mini notice-board corridor, in the next hallway take the door to your left, then up the stairs (the stairs do have a sign mentioning Vernon Harcourt room on). When on the landing take the stairs to the right — the Vernon Harcourt room will be on your right.

We also aim to hold **bonus video meetings**, depending on what takes our fancy. This term we saw [Firefly](#) on Saturday afternoon/evening of 6th Week (22 November).

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# OUSFG Trinity Termcard 2008

**Sunday Library Meetings** are held from 8pm to 11pm in the shared house inhabited by our Librarians near Botley Road. These evenings are an opportunity to socialise, and chat about life, the universe and everything, whilst also perusing and borrowing from OUSFG's library of over 2,400 books.

**Discussion meetings** (see below for dates and topics) and **Silly Games** are held on **Wednesdays** at 8pm in [St Catz](#), Room A of the [Bernard Sunley Building](#) (or, in 3rd Week, the JCR Theatre).

St Catherine's College is at the end of Manor Road, which is off Saint Cross Road to the east of the city centre ([map](#)). For the Bernard Sunley Building, go over the bridge into the college, then turn right just before the new Porter's Lodge. Turn right again, then left when you get to a round circular building (the bike shed). Go straight on for a bit past a brick wall, then turn left to cross the moat and go into the quad. There should now be a circle of grass and a large tree in front of you. Turn right and walk the entire length of the building that's on your right. At the end turn left, cross the small garden\* and go into the Bernard Sunley Building. Or use this [map of the college](#).

\* At this point, if you look and listen carefully, you'll find a ventilation shaft leading deep into the earth. Beware of Morlocks and ensure your time machine is securely locked.

**Wednesday video meetings** (see below for programme and locations) start at 8pm.

## Termcard

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| 23 Apr | Wednesday | 1st Week | Discussion        | <i>Isms</i> (David). Speculative Fiction has a long history of exploring issues of discrimination, such as racism, sexism, homophobia and disability discrimination. Sometimes it challenges them, sometimes it panders to them. I will start the discussion by presenting a few examples of the good and the bad. Then we can discuss various questions of how writers handle the subject. It would be great to have people come and suggest some more examples they loved/hated; but as usual please come even if you just want to listen! |
| 30 Apr | Wednesday | 2nd Week | Video             | <a href="#">The Prophecy</a> , introduced by Tim in <a href="#">New College</a> Lecture Room 6 - marked "D" on this <a href="#">map</a> (or <a href="#">PDF</a> ).   |
| 7 May  | Wednesday | 3rd Week | Discussion        | <i>SF Iconography</i> - to determine the best 20+ speculative fiction icons. This will continue into the creation of OUSFG T-shirts. (Lyndsey) This meeting will be in St Catherine's JCR Theatre.   |
| 14 May | Wednesday | 4th Week | Silly Games       |  |
| 21 May | Wednesday | 5th Week | Discussion        | <i>Philosophy in Speculative Fiction</i> part 2, led by Toby.  |
| 22 May | Thursday  | 5th Week | <b>Quiz</b>       | Oxford Geek Quiz - battle of wits and knowledge against Docsoc, Talksoc, RPGsoc, et al. Please bring your own round of questions if you have one (don't tell anyone the answers). 8pm, <a href="#">St John's College</a> , North Lecture Room.   |
| 28 May | Wednesday | 6th Week | Video             | <a href="#">Zathura: A Space Adventure</a>   |
| 4 Jun  | Wednesday | 7th Week | Video             | <a href="#">Ginger Snaps</a>   |
| 7 Jun  | Saturday  | 7th Week | <b>Punt Party</b> |  |
| 11 Jun | Wednesday | 8th Week | Discussion        | <i>Does non-human intelligence exist?</i> (Oliver and Colin)   |

There might also be a **Bonus Video Meeting** (best of [Babylon 5](#)?).

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# OUSFG Hilary Termcard 2009

**Sunday Library Meetings** (starting 2nd Week, 25th January) are held from 8pm till late in Thomas's room, in Holywell Street 6/7 ([map](#)), room 14. Go through the big wooden door to the Merton College Annexe on Holywell Street (nearly opposite the New College entrance). The closest door to Holywell 6/7 is immediately to your right, just before the porter's lodge ([another map](#)). Ring the buzzer for room 14 to be let in. Inside you need to go upstairs, downstairs, and up to room 14 at the top. You can ask at the door to be collected if you think you might get lost. (If the buzzer doesn't work, ask the porter to ring Thomas Keyton.)

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On Sunday of 1st Week (18th January), we will meet in [The Mitre](#) on the corner of the High Street and Turl Street.

**Wednesday discussion meetings, speaker meetings, and silly games** (see below for topics) are held at 8pm in [Linacre College](#)'s ([map](#)) Carolyn Tanner Irish (CTI) Room. Enter the main door of Linacre (up the stairs) and go through the doorway to the right of the porter's booth. Go up two flights of stairs (following signs for the CTI room). Head forward into a smaller hallway containing the development office and look for the room labeled CTI. Alternatively just ask the porter who is normally very friendly.

**Wednesday video meetings** (see below for programme) start at 8pm in [New College](#) ([map](#)) Lecture Room 4 (marked "C" on this [map](#); or [PDF](#)).

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| 21 Jan | Wednesday | 1st Week | Video          | <a href="#">WALL-E</a> . Pixar animated comedy SF. What more can anyone want?  |
| 28 Jan | Wednesday | 2nd Week | Discussion     | <i>The life and times of a Dark Lord</i> . Discussion led by Oliver. For every Hero there is a Dark Lord. Wreathed in shadows and laughing manically from a volcanically unstable lair the Dark Lord will do everything in their power to destroy their nemesis. Whether it be through manipulating governments, raising terrible armies or magic jewelry the Dark Lord will generally make themselves a nuisance throughout the "main quest". Of course in the end the Dark Lord will be thwarted by the hero using an enchanted sword, their own magic jewelry, structural features of their lair or a combination thereof. Despite their inevitable end Dark Lords show a remarkable diversity in both phenotype and habitat. We will look at the various incarnations and lives of Dark Lords in science fiction and fantasy and pick out the themes and common elements that make them one of the best fictitious clichés. We might even try to design a Dark Lord ourselves. |
| 4 Feb  | Wednesday | 3rd Week | Video          | <a href="#">Akira</a> . The classic anime.   |
| 11 Feb | Wednesday | 4th Week | Silly Games    | 8pm in Linacre CTI Room.   |
| 18 Feb | Wednesday | 5th Week | Video          | <a href="#">Underworld</a> . Vampires v. werewolves.   |
| 19 Feb | Thursday  | 5th Week | Quiz           | Oxford Geek Quiz — battle of wits and knowledge against Docsoc, Talksoc, RPGsoc, et al. Please bring your own round of questions if you have one (don't tell anyone the answers). 8pm, <a href="#">St John's College</a> , North Quad Lecture Room.  |
| 25 Feb | Wednesday | 6th Week | Discussion     | <i>OUSFG Award</i> shortlist selection. Led by Alex.   |
| 1 Mar  | Sunday    | 7th Week | AGM            | Annual General Meeting (as part of the Library Meeting).   |
| 4 Mar  | Wednesday | 7th Week | <b>Speaker</b> | <a href="#">Jack Cohen</a> is a biologist, author, and consultant on alien design for SF novels and TV. He will tell us about <i>The Invention of Reality-Based Aliens</i> . I have been involved in the invention of many fictional life forms (e.g. McCaffrey's Dragons of <i>Pern</i> , Harrison's Yilane of <i>West of Eden</i> , several by Niven and White). We should remain true to real biology, to invent a new series of peculiarities which could replace our human lot (airway-crossing-food-way, the excretory/genital mix-up which generates so many neuroses - and fiction plots, of course - hair, haemoglobin, teeth-from-scales, and so on). The "universal" evolutionary solutions must be retained (like homeothermy, waterproof skin, limbs, sex, and - some kinds of - intelligence). The real difficulty is artistic, not primarily biological; it is to lose the anthropomorphism without losing communication with the audience.                         |
| 7 Mar  | Saturday  | 7th Week | <b>Banquet</b> | Black-tie dinner at Pierre Victoire's (on Little Clarendon Street), 6pm. Please contact Freya Freestone ( <a href="mailto:ousfg@herald.ox.ac.uk">ousfg@herald.ox.ac.uk</a> ) to book a place.  |
| 11 Mar | Wednesday | 8th Week | <b>Speaker</b> | <a href="#">Stephen Briggs</a> has adapted most of Terry Pratchett's Discworld novels for the stage, in which he plays the "definitive" Lord Vetinari. He is co-author (with Pratchett) of <i>The Discworld Companion</i> and other guides to the Discworld.   |





# OUSFG Michaelmas Termcard 2009

**Sunday Library Meetings** (from 2nd Week, 18th October, to 7th Week, 22nd November) are held from 8pm till late in Eck's room, Liddon 1702 in [Keble \(map\)](#).

Directions: To get in the Keble main gate, ring the bell and say you are visiting Calum Devlin. Then through the porters lodge, go forward about 2/3 of the way, turn right and cross the quad. Straight in front is the door to staircase 7. If you can get in here, turn left, straight to the end and through the door in front of you. 1702 is on the left. If the door to staircase 7 is locked, Eck's room is the ground-floor triple window to the left (just to the right the next staircase): shout or throw some gravel and someone will let you in. If you get lost or stuck, you can phone the Keble lodge on 01865-272727 and ask for extension 22416.

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**Wednesday discussion and video meetings** (see below for topics) are held at 8pm in [New College](#) Lecture Room 4 (marked "C" on this [map](#); or [PDF](#)).

The **author talk** in 7th Week will be in the New College's Conduit Room (marked "E" on the map).

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## Termcard

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|--------|-----------------|----------|-------------------------|--|
| 11 Oct | Sunday          | 1st Week | <b>Freshers' Drinks</b> | Drop in for obligation-free drinks and nibbles, introductions, and conversation! 3–6pm in <a href="#">Balliol College (map)</a> Massey Room. Go into the college through the lodge and turn left into the second quad. Walk forwards to the building in front of you, then turn right and go to the back left hand corner. Go through the small passageway here (marked XIX), and the Massey room is on your right.  |
| 14 Oct | Wednesday       | 1st Week | Discussion              | <i>Desert Planet Books</i> (or <i>10 books to read before you die</i> ). Discussion in New College (location to be confirmed). What are the ten SF/fantasy books most worth reading? Come along for a lively discussion and argue for your favourite book, or just for reading ideas — don't feel you have to say anything! (Discussion led by Zhifan.)  |
| 21 Oct | Wednesday       | 2nd Week | Discussion              | <i>Alien Evolution</i> . Are we alone in the universe? Probably not, but why and just how not alone are we? More interestingly we'll look at what evolutionary biology can tell us about the possible courses life might take on other planets and how similar it would look to life on earth. We'll also try and evolve some aliens of our own and perhaps go onto to ask what sort of psychologies and societies might develop on alien worlds. (Discussion led by Oliver.)  |
| 28 Oct | Wednesday       | 3rd Week | Video                   | <a href="#">Watchmen</a>   |
| 4 Nov  | Wednesday       | 4th Week | Discussion              | <i>Human Enhancement</i> . Cybernetic parts to make you stronger; drugs to make you smarter; genetic engineering to make you (or at least, your children...) healthier and happier. In this discussion we'll look at some of the more realistic ways that human bodies could be improved, how it may be done, and what science fiction has had to say on the matter. We may also debate some of the ethical issues raised — a debate that is already relevant with the use of stimulants as "brain-boosting" drugs. (Discussion led by David.) |
| 10 Nov | <b>Tuesday</b>  | 5th Week | Special discussion      | <i>Feminism and Science Fiction</i> . 8pm <a href="#">The Queen's College</a> , Lecture Room B (there should be someone at the lodge to point you in the right direction). Discussion in collaboration with OUSU's Women's Campaign. There's no specific topic past gender and SF, but hopefully it will introduce new readers to SF and highlight the possible gender issues (or lack thereof) in SF. See the <a href="#">WomCam Facebook event page</a> for more details and some possible questions to discuss.                             |
| 11 Nov | Wednesday       | 5th Week | Video                   | <a href="#">Coraline</a>   |
| 18 Nov | Wednesday       | 6th Week | Discussion              | Silly Games  |
| 25 Nov | Wednesday       | 7th Week | <b>Author</b>           | <a href="#">Frances Hardinge</a> (one of many former OUSFG members turned famous author!), who wrote <i>Verdigris Deep</i> , <i>Gullstruck Island</i> , and the award-winning <i>Fly by Night</i> . 8pm in New College's Conduit Room ( <a href="#">map</a> ).   |
| 26 Nov | <b>Thursday</b> | 7th Week | Quiz                    | Oxford Geek Quiz — battle of wits and knowledge against Docsoc, Talksoc, RPGsoc, et al. Please bring your own round of questions if you have one (don't tell anyone the answers). 8pm, <a href="#">St John's College</a> , North Quad Lecture Room.  |
| 29 Nov | Sunday          | 8th Week | <b>Christmas Party</b>  | from 6:30pm in <a href="#">Castle Mill</a> Common Room. We will gather to eat festive food, play festive games (all the werewolves wear Santa hats) and speak of festive things.<br>Castle Mill is at the end of Roger Dudman Way. Walk down to the Oxford   |



train station and past it down the start of the Botley road. Just under the railway bridge is a turnoff to the right (by the YMCA), this is Roger Dudman Way. Follow it down along the railway tracks and over the bridge. You should ignore the turnoff on the left to Vennit Close, but after that you will come to a big quadrangular building with a large sign for Castle Mill. The front gate will be locked but if you stand around outside someone will come get you. Or you can call Oliver on 07986858893 to retrieve you.

2 Dec Wednesday 8th Week Discussion Philosophy in Science Fiction (Discussion led by Toby, our resident professional philosopher.)

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| 29 Apr | Wednesday | 1st Week | Video             | <a href="#">The Dark Crystal</a> . This 1982 cult movie was created by the Jim Henson company and involves groundbreaking animatronics (not Muppet style puppets at all). It's a dark fantasy tale about a Gelfling's quest.   |
| 6 May  | Wednesday | 2nd Week | Discussion        | <i>Tentacular Vikings Evening</i> - Tim in 8 New College Lane (far left, on the <a href="#">New College map</a> ).<br>Working within the constraints of a few required plot elements can we come up with ideas and plot for a book or film? Previous stories have involved teleporting Swiss plane crash victims ( <i>or are they?</i> ) biotech (somehow involving the <a href="#">Great God Cthulhu</a> and a naked cloned murderer played by <a href="#">SM Gellar</a> ), alien contact (superintelligent bears rescue space station survivors). Oh yes, and <a href="#">tentacular Vikings</a> .                             |
| 13 May | Wednesday | 3rd Week | Video             | <a href="#">Let the Right One In</a>   |
| 20 May | Wednesday | 4th Week | Discussion        | <i>Game Mechanics</i> - Lyndsey and Conrad in Linacre CTI Room.  |
| 27 May | Wednesday | 5th Week | Video             | <a href="#">Primer</a> . Four geeks working in a garage to create the next big thing. They get more than they bargained for.   |
| 28 May | Thursday  | 5th Week | Quiz              | Oxford Geek Quiz — battle of wits and knowledge against Docsoc, Tolksoc, RPGsoc, et al. Please bring your own round of questions if you have one (don't tell anyone the answers). 8pm, <a href="#">St John's College</a> , North Quad Lecture Room.  |
| 3 Jun  | Wednesday | 6th Week | Discussion        | <i>Philosophy and SF</i> - Toby in Linacre CTI Room.   |
| 10 Jun | Wednesday | 7th Week | Silly Games       | in Linacre CTI Room  |
| 13 Jun | Saturday  | 7th Week | <b>Punt Party</b> | with the traditional Punt Party Pantomime.   |
| 17 Jun | Wednesday | 8th Week | Discussion        | <i>Magic: The Gathering, creating OUSFGian cards</i> - Freya in <a href="#">St Hilda's College</a> ( <a href="#">map</a> ), Lady Brodie Room (in Hall Building, which is the first one you see directly opposite you as you go through the gates. The room is signposted as soon as you enter the building.)<br>This trading card game has taken library meetings by storm, and so this evening we will create cards for each OUSFGian who would like to be in card form, and maybe OUSFG-like things too - Colin the Elephant, Portal Cake... Expect your photo to be taken (with your permission) in earlier library meetings. |

# OUSFG Hilary Termcard 2010

**Sunday Library Meetings** (from 2nd Week, 24 January) are held from 8pm till late in Eck's room, Liddon 1702 in [Keble](#) ([map](#)).

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| 20 Jan | Wednesday | 1st Week | Video      | <a href="#">Let the Right One In</a>   |
| 27 Jan | Wednesday | 2nd Week | Discussion | <i>Tentacular Vikings Evening</i> . Working within the constraints of a few required plot elements can we come up with ideas and plot for a book or film? Previous stories have involved biotech (somehow involving the <a href="#">Great God Cthulhu</a> and a naked cloned murderer played by <a href="#">SM Gellar</a> ), alien contact (superintelligent bears rescue space station survivors), and a time-travelling dragon. Oh yes, and <a href="#">tentacular Vikings</a> . (Discussion led by Andrew.) |
| 3 Feb  | Wednesday | 3rd Week | Video      | <a href="#">Jurassic Park</a>  |
| 10 Feb | Wednesday | 4th Week | Discussion | <i>Messages to Aliens</i> . Current efforts to communicate with aliens mainly involve listening for radio messages. More ambitious ways have been seriously proposed, starting (back in the 19th century) with lighting big forest fires the Martians will be bound to notice. Far more imaginative ways have been proposed in SF. But that's nothing to the suggestions we will come up with. And the scary thing about brainstorming is: some idea might actually be workable. (Discussion led by Colin.)    |
| 17 Feb | Wednesday | 5th Week | Food       | <i>Bring and eat a planet</i> at Doug's house.   |
| 24 Feb | Wednesday | 6th Week | Discussion | <i>Terminal 6</i> . A discussion on different societies inspired by Ursula LeGuin's <i>Changing Planes</i> . (Discussion led by Conrad.)   |
| 27 Feb | Saturday  | 6th Week | Banquet    | Black-tie dinner in New College.   |
| 28 Feb | Sunday    | 7th Week | AGM        | Annual General Meeting (as part of the Library Meeting).   |
| 3 Mar  | Wednesday | 7th Week | Video      | <a href="#">Moon</a>   |
| 10 Mar | Wednesday | 8th Week | Discussion | OUSFG Takes Over The World (Planning Meeting). (Discussion led by Doug.)   |

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# OUSFG Michaelmas Termcard 2010

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10 Oct	Sunday	1st Week	<b>Freshers' Drinks</b>	Drop in for obligation-free drinks and nibbles, introductions, and conversation! 3–6pm in <a href="#">Balliol College (map)</a> Massey Room. Go into the college through the lodge and turn left into the second quad. Walk forwards to the building in front of you, then turn right and go to the back left hand corner. Go through the small passageway here (marked XIX), and the Massey room is on your right.
13 Oct	Wednesday	1st Week	Discussion	<i>Desert Planet Books</i> (or <i>10 books to read before you die</i> ). What are the ten SF/fantasy books most worth reading? Come along for a lively discussion and argue for your favourite book, or just for reading ideas — don't feel you have to say anything!
20 Oct	Wednesday	2nd Week	Video	<a href="#">Twelve Monkeys</a>
27 Oct	Wednesday	3rd Week	Discussion	Philosophy in Science Fiction (Discussion led by Toby, our resident professional philosopher.) This meeting is in Queen's College, Lecture Room C.
3 Nov	Wednesday	4th Week	Video	<a href="#">Alice in Wonderland</a> . This meeting is in Queen's College, Lecture Room C.
10 Nov	Wednesday	5th Week	Discussion	Gods in SF deathmatch
17 Nov	Wednesday	6th Week	Video	TV episodes
24 Nov	Wednesday	7th Week	<b>Author</b>	<a href="#">Paul Cornell</a> — novelist, comics and TV writer, whose SF credits include <i>Doctor Who</i> .
27 Nov	Saturday	7th Week	<b>Christmas Party</b>	8pm in the Massey Room in Balliol College.
1 Dec	Wednesday	8th Week	Discussion	Silly Games

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28 Apr	Wednesday	1st Week	Video	<a href="#">2010</a> in Balliol College, Lecture Room 23.
5 May	Wednesday	2nd Week	Discussion	<i>Taking over the World</i> (Doug)
12 May	Wednesday	3rd Week	Video	<a href="#">District 9</a>
19 May	Wednesday	4th Week	Discussion	<i>Fanfiction</i> (Kate)
26 May	Wednesday	5th Week	Video	<a href="#">Star Trek: The Wrath of Khan</a>
2 Jun	Wednesday	6th Week	Discussion	<i>Games Mechanics</i> (Lyndsey)
9 Jun	Wednesday	7th Week		Silly Games in Queen's College, Lecture Room A.
12 Jun	Saturday	7th Week		Punt party
16 Jun	Wednesday	8th Week	Discussion	<i>Origami</i> (Eck)

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# OUSFG Hilary Termcard 2011

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19 Jan	Wednesday	1st Week	Discussion	Writing the next Jonathan Coulton hit song
26 Jan	Wednesday	2nd Week	Video	<a href="#">The Sixth Sense</a> . "I see Dead People." Clever, moving, spooky.
2 Feb	Wednesday	3rd Week	Discussion	Former OUSFG President, Niall Harrison, discusses UK fandom
9 Feb	Wednesday	4th Week	Video	<a href="#">Vanilla Sky</a> . "Open your eyes." A dark psychological drama about dreams, reality, and what might have been.
12 Feb	Saturday	4th Week	Banquet	7pm at <a href="#">The Pink Giraffe Chinese Restaurant</a> . Contact <a href="mailto:ousfg.society@studentclubs.ox.ac.uk">ousfg.society@studentclubs.ox.ac.uk</a> for tickets.
13 Feb	Sunday	5th Week	AGM	The OUSFG Annual General Meeting will be in the OUSFG Library, followed by the usual library meeting.
16 Feb	Wednesday	5th Week	Discussion	Flawed Utopias
17 Feb	Thursday	5th Week	Quiz	Oxford Geek Quiz — battle of wits and knowledge against Docsoc, Tolksoc, RPGsoc, et al. Bring your own round of questions if like (don't tell anyone the answers). 8pm, St John's College, North Quad Lecture Room.
23 Feb	Wednesday	6th Week	Video	<a href="#">FAQ about time travel</a> . Three geeks in a pub discover the time portal in the loos. <i>Shaun of the Dead</i> , but with time travel.
2 Mar	Wednesday	7th Week	Food	Techno-food (at Imladris)
9 Mar	Wednesday	8th Week	Silly Games	may contain werewolf

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# OUSFG Michaelmas Termcard 2011

**Sunday Library Meetings** (from 2nd Week, 16th October) are held from 8pm till late in [Wadham](#) ([map](#)).

Go in the main entrance. Turn 90 degrees right and go straight leaving the quad through the door ahead. Go up the bridge over the scaffolding. At the bottom on the other side, walk forward into the concrete covered-walkway and turn left. Walk a couple of paces and there is a very short corridor turning off to the left with a door at the end. This is the library - the door is marked "1".

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**Wednesday discussion and video meetings** are held at 8pm (except 9pm in 2nd Week) in either Balliol or the Holywell Annexe of Merton (see termcard below for the location each week).

In Balliol ([map](#)), we are in Lecture Room 23 (this is down the steps at the far right corner of Garden Quad, see [Balliol map](#)).

Merton's Holywell Annexe is at 7 Holywell Street, almost opposite to the New College main entrance ([map](#)). It is nowhere near Merton itself, so don't go there! Meet outside the wooden gates, as the OUSFG Secretary has to let people into the quad. We are in the Music Room in the basement of Block A.

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## Termcard

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|--------|-----------|----------|-------------------------|--|
| 9 Oct  | Sunday    | 1st Week | <b>Freshers' Drinks</b> | Drop in for obligation-free drinks and nibbles, introductions, and conversation! 3-5:30pm in <a href="#">Balliol College</a> ( <a href="#">map</a> ) Massey Room. There should be directions from the Balliol lodge — or turn left into the second quad. Walk forwards to the building in front of you, then turn right and go to the back left hand corner. Go through the small passageway here (marked XIX), and the Massey room is on your right.  |
| 12 Oct | Wednesday | 1st Week | Discussion              | <i>Desert Planet Books</i> (or <i>10 books to read before you die</i> ) in Balliol Lecture Room 23 (this is down the steps at the far right corner of Garden Quad, see <a href="#">Balliol map</a> ). Our Michaelmas term kicks off, as is traditional, with a our annual discussion of the best books of all time. An excellent place to find out about the best books that you have not yet come across, and hopefully introduce the society to hidden gems that we have not heard of.   |
| 19 Oct | Wednesday | 2nd Week | Discussion              | Balliol Lecture Room 23 <b>at 9pm</b> . <i>Zombie Apocolypse Survival corporate training seminar</i> . Did you know that 95% of Oxford colleges and departments do not have a coordinated emergency plan for dealing with an uprising of the living dead? Following the <a href="#">shocking news</a> in June that many local councils do not have any contingency plans for such circumstances, this is cause for some concern. Happily we at OUSFG are well ahead of the crowd having first started advising our members of these risks over 5 years ago and you will be pleased to know we have invited our ex-president, Alex, to give another of his highly practical workshop evenings in order to help you stay safe from the lurching hordes both at home and at university. |
| 26 Oct | Wednesday | 3rd Week | Video                   | in the Holywell Annexe. In <a href="#">Dark City</a> . A world where the night never ends. Where man has no past. And humanity has no future.  |
| 2 Nov  | Wednesday | 4th Week | Discussion              | in the Holywell Annexe. Cutting edge science to sci-fi concepts — or possibly the other way around? Published author, inventor and (most importantly surely?) namesake of the society's elephant mascot, Colin will be leading a discussion about writing good SF based on the forefront of modern science. This will be an opportunity to look at some of the most advanced and weirdest concepts in science, consider what the future might hold for them, and then discuss how to successfully create an SF future-world or (hopefully "and") a narrative around them.  |
| 9 Nov  | Wednesday | 5th Week | Video                   | in the Holywell Annexe. <a href="#">Inception</a> . Your mind is the scene of the crime.   |
| 10 Nov | Thursday  | 5th Week | Quiz                    | Oxford Geek Quiz — battle of wits and knowledge against Docsoc, Tokksoc, RPGsoc, et al. Bring your own round of questions if you like (don't tell anyone the answers). 8pm, St John's College, North Quad Lecture Room.  |
| 16 Nov | Wednesday | 6th Week | <b>Author</b>           | <a href="#">Philip Reeve</a> , author of the <i>Mortal Engines</i> Quadrilogy. In Balliol, Lecture Room 23 (down the steps at the far right corner of Garden Quad). In Balliol LR23.   |
| 23 Nov | Wednesday | 7th Week | Video                   | in Balliol LR23. <a href="#">The Nightmare Before Christmas</a> . Jack Skellington, the pumpkin king of Halloween Town, has his eye on another holiday.  |
| 26 Nov | Saturday  | 7th Week | Christmas Party         | in the Holywell Annexe music room.   |
| 30 Nov | Wednesday | 8th Week | Discussion              | Silly Games in the Holywell Annexe music room.   |



# OUSFG Trinity Termcard 2011

**Sunday Library Meetings** are held from 8pm till late in Peter's room, unless otherwise stated (check for an email announcement the day before). This is Room 5 of 20 Merton Street, which is in the corner by the exam schools and the construction site, three doors down from the Eastgate Hotel ([map](#)). Press the buzzer for room 5 to get let in. The room is on the first floor, to your left as you open the door.

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**Wednesday discussion meetings** are held at 8pm on odd weeks in Lecture Room A in [Queen's College](#) ([map](#)). Lecture Room A is half way along the right-hand side of the front quad, on the ground floor.

**Wednesday video meetings** are held at 8pm on even weeks in [Keble Theatre](#).

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## Termcard

4 May	Wednesday	1st Week	Discussion	<i>Werewolf AI</i> . An impromptu discussion looking at the problems of adapting a computer game into a player AI
11 May	Wednesday	2nd Week	Video	<a href="#">Star Wars</a> . Some people want to watch the original trilogy due to the disturbing number who haven't seen it. If you are one of those people, this is part of your mandatory reading list...
18 May	Wednesday	3rd Week	Discussion	<i>Time Travel: problems, consistency and theories on the nature of time-travel</i> . We are looking more at maintaining continuity in systems containing time travel and the feasibility of internally consistency, rather than how it might be achieved (although if you have a working time machine, please bring it along). Run by Doug. Come help make Andrew angry by being inconsistent and abusing physics...
25 May	Wednesday	4th Week	Video	<a href="#">Gattaca</a>
1 Jun	Wednesday	5th Week	Discussion	<i>Can UK Science Fiction TV series ever be as good as US ones, or are they already much better?</i> Run by Matt. Joss Whedon vs The British Broadcasting Corporation anyone? Bets are now being taken...
2 Jun	Thursday	5th Week	Quiz	Oxford Geek Quiz — battle of wits and knowledge against Docsoc, Talksoc, RPGsoc, et al. Bring your own round of questions if like (don't tell anyone the answers). 8pm, St John's College, North Quad Lecture Room.
8 Jun	Wednesday	6th Week	Video	Japanologists film night
15 Jun	Wednesday	7th Week	Silly Games	may contain werewolf
22 Jun	Wednesday	8th Week	Video	<a href="#">Pan's Labyrinth</a> . A dark fairytale/real-world genre-mix, odd and rather scary — in other words a bit like OUSFG...
24 Jun	Friday	8th Week		Punt party panto writing, from 8:30pm in St Aldate's G&Ds until we finish.
25 Jun	Saturday	8th Week		Punt party

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# OUSFG Hilary Termcard 2012

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**Wednesday discussion and video meetings** are held at 8pm in Merton Annexe Music Room. Merton's Holywell Annexe is at 7 Holywell Street, almost opposite to the New College main entrance ([map](#)). It is nowhere near Merton itself, so don't go there! Meet outside the wooden gates at 8pm to be let into the quad. We are in the Music Room in the basement of Block A.

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- 18 Jan Wednesday 1st Week Discussion *OUSFG Colaborative Story Meeting* (run by Tim). There will be concepts. There will be a rough plot. The two will get mashed together in a process roughly akin to the spacial intersection of the ground and and a burning aircraft. Only the result will be more messy, and marginally more hilarious.
- 25 Jan Wednesday 2nd Week Discussion *Craftworks*. Miriam will teach us to knit Daleks, Leo will fold a sheet of paper into an *Enterprise*, Cpt. Janeway will transwarp into an ~~episode redacted~~ and our Glorious President will construct the *Battlestar Galactica* out of the tears of kittens.
- 1 Feb Wednesday 3rd Week Film [2001: A Space Oddesy](#)
- 8 Feb Wednesday 4th Week Discussion *UK vs. US TV — a battle to the death* (run by Matt). UK and US TV will battle to the death atop the Empire State Building in this discussion and will both fall, fists locked, screaming into a firey oblivion. The UK TV will then regenerate into Matt Smith, and US TV will die forever. Except Buffy who will just come back to life again. *Firefly* will not alas.
- 15 Feb Wednesday 5th Week Film [Serenity](#) (Aparently I lied in my conclusion to 4th week...)
- 16 Feb Thursday 5th Week Quiz Oxford Geek Quiz — battle of wits and knowledge against Docsoc, Tolksoc, RPGsoc, et al. Bring your own round of questions if you like (don't tell anyone the answers). 8pm, St John's College, North Quad Lecture Room.
- 22 Feb Wednesday 6th Week Discussion *Fanworks*. A discussion on the merits of various fan creations. YouTube may well feature.
- 29 Feb Wednesday 7th Week Film [Dogma](#). Discussion and running commentary to be provided by Richard Dawkins or me depending on availability. Anyone who gets Richard Dawkins to actually turn up to this wins an internet. And Life generally.
- 3 Mar Saturday 7th Week Banquet
- 7 Mar Wednesday 8th Week Discussion Silly Games - this may include *Dominion*, *Settlers*, *Meeples*, *7 Wonders*, and Write Silly Descriptions for Everything on the Termcard. *Werewolf* is specifically forbidden at this meeting.

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# OUSFG Michaelmas Termcard 2012

**Sunday Library Meetings** (from 2nd Week, 14th October) are held from 8pm till late in [Univ](#) ([map](#)). We'll meet outside Univ at 8pm in case the gate is locked. But if you come late, the OUSFG Library is in Staircase 8 Room 2 - in the far left corner of the main quad, one floor up.

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**Wednesday discussion and the 2nd Week film meeting** are held at 8pm in [Wadham's](#) Old Seminar Room (unless stated otherwise on the termcard below). Wadham is [here](#). The Old Seminar Room is at the top-right of this [college map](#). We will be meeting at Wadham's main gate to find the room together, but if you come late, ask the porters or follow these directions:

From the main entrance to Wadham, go to Back Quad through the passage at the back right of the front quad. Go through the passageway to your left across the corner of back quad (the passageway with the war memorial), through the doors and then out of the door on the right. Go into the small courtyard to the left of the white round-ended building, then through the passageway on the left, and follow signs for the Old Seminar Room.

**Wednesday 4th, 6th, 8th Week film meetings** will be held at 8pm in the Merton College Annexe at 7 Holywell Street, almost opposite to the New College main entrance ([map](#)). It is nowhere near Merton itself, so don't go there! Meet outside the wooden gates at 8pm to be let into the quad. The Music Room is in the basement of Block A.

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## Termcard

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|--------|-----------|----------|------------------------|---|
| 7 Oct  | Sunday    | 1st Week | <b>Freshers' Cakes</b> | Drop in for obligation-free <b>CAKE</b> ( <i>not a lie!</i> ), drinks, nibbles, introductions, and conversation!<br>3-6pm in <a href="#">Wadham</a> ( <a href="#">map</a> ) New Seminar Room A, which is on Staircase 4 at the back-right corner of the main quad.  |
| 10 Oct | Wednesday | 1st Week | Discussion             | <i>Desert Planet Books</i> (or <i>10 books to read before you die</i> ). Our Michaelmas term kicks off, as is traditional, with a our annual discussion of the best books of all time. An excellent place to find out about the best books that you have not yet come across, and hopefully introduce the society to hidden gems that we have not heard of.<br>— In Wadham Old Seminar Room.                        |
| 17 Oct | Wednesday | 2nd Week | Film                   | <a href="#">Mirrormask</a> . A fantasy world created by Neil Gaiman and Dave McKean. What more can you ask for?<br>— In Wadham Old Seminar Room.  |
| 24 Oct | Wednesday | 3rd Week | Discussion             | <i>Geek Craft</i> . If you're curious how you turn that ball of yarn into a croched Loki figure, a Jayne Hat, or a simple Doctor Who scarf, this is the meeting for you! Have a sheet of paper and want a space rocket? Origami can help! A few of our more experienced knitting/crocheting/origami members will be on hand to demonstrate the basics and to help you get started.<br>— In Wadham Old Seminar Room. |
| 31 Oct | Wednesday | 4th Week | Film                   | <a href="#">Repo! The Genetic Opera</a> for Halloween. — in Merton College Annexe (opposite New College entrance)   |
| 7 Nov  | Wednesday | 5th Week | Discussion             | <i>Colaborative story-writing</i> There will be concepts. There will be a rough plot. The two will get mashed together in a process roughly akin to the spacial intersection of the ground and and a burning aircraft. Only the result will be more messy, and marginally more hilarious.<br>— In Wadham Old Seminar Room.  |
| 8 Nov  | Thursday  | 5th Week | Quiz                   | Oxford Geek Quiz — battle of wits and knowledge against Docsoc, Talksoc, et al. Bring your own round of questions if you like (don't tell anyone the answers).<br>— 8pm in St John's North Quad Lecture Room. ( <a href="#">Directions from WhoSoc.</a> )   |
| 14 Nov | Wednesday | 6th Week | Film                   | <a href="#">The Sixth Day</a> . They really should have known better than to try to clone Arnold Schwarzenegger.<br>— in Merton College Annexe (opposite New College entrance)  |
| 21 Nov | Wednesday | 7th Week | Discussion             | <i>Clarke's 3rd Law</i> : "Any sufficiently advanced technology is indistinguishable from magic". Is there really a continuum between science fiction and fantasy? If so, what's in the middle, where do our favourite books/media fit, and is there more ground yet to be explored? Come along to listen and to share your views!<br>— In Wadham Old Seminar Room.   |
| 24 Nov | Saturday  | 7th Week | Christmas Party        | 2pm-7pm in Wadham New Seminar Room A (Staircase 4 at the back-right corner of the main quad).   |
| 28 Nov | Wednesday | 8th Week | Film                   | <a href="#">Iron Man</a> . Marvel Comics' Iron Man on the big (now small) screen.<br>— in Merton College Annexe (opposite New College entrance)   |



# OUSFG Trinity Termcard 2012

**Sunday Library Meetings** are held from 8pm till late in [Wadham \(map\)](#), Library Court 10. Meet at front of Wadham at 8pm or follow these directions:

From the main entrance, go to the far right corner of the quad and through the passageway. Turn left, go round the end of the building and up the steps in front of you. Go through the door ahead and slightly to your left — numbered 19. This requires a code — probably easiest to give someone a missed call or a text so someone can go down to let you in. If you get through the door, go up two flights of stairs, then through the glass door on your right. Go up both sets of steps ahead of you, and into the passageway on your right. The room is at the end on the right-hand side, with a "10" over the doorknob.

**Wednesday discussion and film meetings** are held at 8pm in Holywell Music Room in the Merton Annexe (except for 5th Week, which will be in Balliol Lecture Room 23). Merton's Holywell Annexe is at 7 Holywell Street, almost opposite to the New College main entrance ([map](#)). It is nowhere near Merton itself, so don't go there! Meet outside the wooden gates at 8pm to be let into the quad. The Music Room is in the basement of Block A.

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25 Apr	Wednesday	1st Week	Film	<a href="#">Captain America: The First Avenger</a>
2 May	Wednesday	2nd Week	Discussion	Webcomics
9 May	Wednesday	3rd Week	Film	<a href="#">Battle Royale</a>
16 May	Wednesday	4th Week	Discussion	Comic books (Desmond)
23 May	Wednesday	5th Week	Film	<a href="#">Aliens</a> . This meeting will be in Balliol Lecture Room 23.
24 May	Thursday	5th Week	Quiz	Oxford Geek Quiz — battle of wits and knowledge against Docsoc, Talksoc, RPGsoc, et al. Bring your own round of questions if you like (don't tell anyone the answers). 8pm, Ferrar Room, Hertford. Meet outside Hertford's main gate (the Rad Cam side of the Bridge) at 7:55pm. Alternatively turn left Past the Porters' Lodge, and go up the staircase, at the top of which you will find the Ferrar Room.
30 May	Wednesday	6th Week	Discussion	SF video games (Gail)
6 Jun	Wednesday	7th Week	Film	<a href="#">Monty Python's Life of Brian</a>
9 Jun	Saturday	7th Week		Punt party panto writing
10 Jun	Sunday	8th Week		Punt party
13 Jun	Wednesday	8th Week	Discussion	Silly Games

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**Wednesday film meetings** will be held at 8pm in the Merton College Annexe at 7 Holywell Street, almost opposite to the New College main entrance ([map](#)). It is nowhere near Merton itself, so don't go there! Meet outside the wooden gates at 8pm to be let into the quad. The Music Room is in the basement of Block A.

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|--------|-----------|----------|------------|---|
| 16 Jan | Wednesday | 1st Week | Discussion | Adaptations and use of medium in SF   |
| 23 Jan | Wednesday | 2nd Week | Film       |   |
| 30 Jan | Wednesday | 3rd Week | Discussion | Philosophy in SF (run by Jenni)   |
| 6 Feb  | Wednesday | 4th Week | Film       | <a href="#">Moon</a> . 250,000 miles from home, the hardest thing to face... is yourself.   |
| 13 Feb | Wednesday | 5th Week | Discussion | Epic and SF (run by Matt and Emma).<br>"Are you telling me that the <i>Iliad</i> has androids in it? The <i>Iliad</i> has everything in it." - Dan Simmons, <i>Ilium</i> .<br>Epic poetry and SF might seem like unlikely bedfellows, but many SF authors have taken inspiration from these literary classics for their works (Philip Pullman most completely). Some might even consider that these represent the beginnings of the genre with their tales of exploring the boundaries of the known world and exploring others. Focusing on Homer, Chaucer, and Milton (although probably also Hesiod and Virgil) we will show you how essential Epic poetry is to SF, and why they are worth reading (even if you're not a literature nerd)! |
| 14 Feb | Thursday  | 5th Week | Quiz       | Oxford Geek Quiz — battle of wits and knowledge against Docsoc, Tolksoc, RPGsoc, et al. Bring your own round of questions if you like (don't tell anyone the answers). 8pm, St John's College, North Quad Lecture Room.   |
| 20 Feb | Wednesday | 6th Week | Film       | <a href="#">Blade Runner</a> . Ridley Scott's Science Fiction noir classic, loosely based on Philip K. Dick's <i>Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep?</i> . A 2004 <i>Guardian</i> poll voted this the best SF movie of all time. If you haven't seen it before, come find out whether you agree. If you have seen it, come see it afresh: we will watch the "Final Cut".   |
| 27 Feb | Wednesday | 7th Week | Discussion | Eugenics and population control in SF (run by Whitney).   |
| 2 Mar  | Saturday  | 7th Week | Banquet    | 7pm at Chutney's Indian Restraunt on New Inn Hall Street.   |
| 6 Mar  | Wednesday | 8th Week | Discussion | Silly Games in <a href="#">Balliol College</a> ( <a href="#">map</a> ) Massey Room ( <a href="#">map</a> ). Go through the passageway at the back left corner of the Front Quad into Garden Quad. Staircase XIX is at the far back left corner. Go through the small passageway there and the Massey room is on your right.   |

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# OUSFG Michaelmas Termcard 2013

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**Wednesday discussion meetings** are held at 8pm in [Wadham's](#) Old Seminar Room (unless stated otherwise on the termcard below). Wadham is [here](#). The Old Seminar Room is next to Staircase 30 at the top-right of this [college map](#). We will be meeting at Wadham's main gate to find the room together, but if you come late, ask the porters or follow these directions:

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**Wednesday video meetings** (except 3rd Week, see below) will be held at 8pm in [Worcester College's](#) Lecture Room B. This is on Staircase 5, on the right side of the main quad, but we'll meet outside to get into the college together.

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## Termcard

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|--------|-----------|----------|------------------------|---|
| 13 Oct | Sunday    | 1st Week | <b>Freshers' Cakes</b> | Drop in for obligation-free <b>CAKE</b> ( <i>not a lie!</i> ), drinks, nibbles, introductions, and conversation!<br>3-6pm in <a href="#">Wadham</a> ( <a href="#">map</a> ) New Seminar Room A, which is on Staircase 4 at the back-right corner of the main quad.  |
| 16 Oct | Wednesday | 1st Week | Discussion             | <i>Desert Planet Books</i> (or <i>10 books to read before you die</i> ). Our Michaelmas term kicks off, as is traditional, with a our annual discussion of the best books of all time. An excellent place to find out about the best books that you have not yet come across, and hopefully introduce the society to hidden gems that we have not heard of.   |
| 23 Oct | Wednesday | 2nd Week | Discussion             | Introduction to SF Conventions. After many of us enjoyed <a href="#">Nine Worlds</a> this summer, we thought we could enthuse about Cons in general and spread the word on the discussions provoked by Nine Worlds in particular.   |
| 30 Oct | Wednesday | 3rd Week | Video                  | <a href="#">Cabin in the Woods</a> . A horror film written by Joss Whedon. Five college students take a vacation in a remote cabin in the woods. Things go... badly.<br>9pm in Balliol Lecture Room 23 (by the Senior Common Room at the top-right of this <a href="#">college map</a> ). Meet outside Balliol to find the room.  |
| 6 Nov  | Wednesday | 4th Week | <b>Author</b>          | <a href="#">Charles Stross</a> , author of <i>The Laundry Files</i> (Lovecraftian horror meets computer science), <i>The Merchant Princes</i> series (parallel worlds), and lots of other awesome stuff is coming to speak to us. This meeting will be held from 8pm in <a href="#">Wadham College's</a> Okinaga Room (room should be signposted, or <b>C</b> on <a href="#">college plan</a> , or ask the porters). Non-members are welcome for a small charge (£2) to cover expenses. |
| 13 Nov | Wednesday | 5th Week | Discussion             | Tentacular Cards Against Vikings — collaborative story writing, now with cards!   |
| 14 Nov | Thursday  | 5th Week | Quiz                   | Oxford Geek Quiz — battle of wits and knowledge against Docsoc, Talksoc, RPGsoc, et al. Bring your own round of questions if you like (don't tell anyone the answers). 8pm, Christ Church, Lecture Room 2 ( <a href="#">Directions from WhoSoc</a> .)   |
| 20 Nov | Wednesday | 6th Week | Video                  | <a href="#">Contact</a> . Astrophysicist Jodie Foster discovers a message from the stars. Quite well adapted from the novel by Carl Sagan.  |
| 27 Nov | Wednesday | 7th Week | <b>Author</b>          | OUSFG's own Whitney Dickson will discuss publishing and her novel, <a href="#">The First Born of the Dead</a> . This meeting will be held in Wadham's Old Seminar Room.   |
| 30 Nov | Saturday  | 7th Week | Christmas Party        |   |
| 4 Dec  | Wednesday | 8th Week | Video                  | <a href="#">Laputa: Castle in the Sky</a> . Classic anime from Miyazaki.  |



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**Wednesday discussion meetings** (except for Silly Games in 8th Week) are held at 8pm in [Wadham's](#) Old Seminar Room. Wadham is [here](#). The Old Seminar Room is at the top-right of this [college map](#). We will be meeting at Wadham's main gate to find the room together, but if you come late, ask the porters or follow these directions:

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**Wednesday film meetings** and **Silly Games** will be held at 8pm in the Merton College Annexe at 7 Holywell Street (except for 6th Week), almost opposite to the New College main entrance ([map](#)). It is nowhere near Merton itself, so don't go there! Meet outside the wooden gates at 8pm to be let into the quad. The Music Room is in the basement of Block A.

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## Termcard

24 Apr	Wednesday	1st Week	Discussion	Gods in SF deathmatch
1 May	Wednesday	2nd Week	Film	<a href="#">Iron Man 2</a>
8 May	Wednesday	3rd Week	Discussion	Fairy Tales and Science Fiction (run by Matt)
15 May	Wednesday	4th Week	Film	<a href="#">District 9</a>
22 May	Wednesday	5th Week	Discussion	Escapism and SF (run by Colin)
23 May	Thursday	5th Week	Quiz	Oxford Geek Quiz — battle of wits and knowledge against Docsoc, Toksoc, RPGsoc, et al. Bring your own round of questions if you like (don't tell anyone the answers). 8pm, Christ Church, Lecture Room 2.
29 May	Wednesday	6th Week	Film	<a href="#">The Fifth Element</a> in <a href="#">Wolfson College</a> on Linton Road ( <a href="#">map</a> ). We'll meet outside the lodge at 8pm.
5 Jun	Wednesday	7th Week	Discussion	The merits of "So bad it's good"
12 Jun	Wednesday	8th Week	Discussion	Silly Games in Merton's Holywell Street Annexe

We will also hold a **punt party**, complete with panto, near the end of term.

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# OUSFG Hilary Termcard 2014

**Sunday Library Meetings** are held from 8pm till late at the Librarians' flat, number 1 in Staincross House, Albion Place (near St Aldate's) ([map](#))

**Directions from town centre/north:** Go down St Ebbes Street, which is off Queen Street between BHS and the Westgate Centre.

Continue until you pass LA Fitness (by then the road has become Littlegate Street). Turn left down Albion Place.

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**Wednesday discussion meetings** are held at 8pm in [Wadham's](#) Old Seminar Room. Wadham is [here](#). The Old Seminar Room is next to Staircase 30 at the top-right of this [college map](#). We will be meeting at Wadham's main gate to find the room together, but if you come late, ask the porters or follow these directions:

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**Wednesday video meetings** (in 2nd and 6th weeks) will be held at 8pm in [Worcester College's](#) Lecture Room B. This is on Staircase 5, on the right side of the main quad, but we'll meet outside to get into the college together.

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## Termcard

22 Jan	Wednesday	1st Week	Discussion	Adaptations and differences between media in Science Fiction and Fantasy (run my Matt)
29 Jan	Wednesday	2nd Week	Video	The Sixth Sense
5 Feb	Wednesday	3rd Week	Discussion	Discussion on Spoilers (Matt)
12 Feb	Wednesday	4th Week	Board Games	in Wadham's Holywell Court 1.
19 Feb	Wednesday	5th Week	Discussion	Space colonisation and terraforming (Ryan)
20 Feb	Thursday	5th Week	Quiz	Oxford Geek Quiz — battle of wits and knowledge against Docsoc, Talksoc, RPGsoc, et al. Bring your own round of questions if you like (don't tell anyone the answers). 8pm, Christ Church, Lecture Room 2 ( <a href="#">Directions from WhoSoc.</a> )
26 Feb	Wednesday	6th Week	Video	Peoples' choice movie
1 Mar	Saturday	6th Week	Banquet	7-11pm at the West Oxford Community Centre on Botley Road. Please contact <a href="mailto:jonathan.hall@wadh.ox.ac.uk">jonathan.hall@wadh.ox.ac.uk</a> by 16th February if you are interested in coming.
5 Mar	Wednesday	7th Week	Discussion	Representation of minorities in Science Fiction and Fantasy
12 Mar	Wednesday	8th Week	Silly Games	in Balliol's Massey Room (top-left of <a href="#">this college map</a> ).

# OUSFG Michaelmas Termcard 2014

**Sunday Library Meetings** are held from 8pm till late in [17 Merton Street](#), room 4, from 8pm until late (normally around midnight). If you arrive later, you will need to ring the buzzer, and it may take a minute for someone to come downstairs and let you in.

These evenings are an opportunity to socialise, and chat about life, the universe and everything, whilst also perusing and borrowing from OUSFG's library of around 1000 books.

**Wednesday discussion meetings** are held at 8pm in [Wadham's](#) New Seminar Room B. This is on staircase 5 at the centre-right of the main quad ([college map](#)). We will be meeting at Wadham's main gate to find the room together.

**Wednesday film meetings** will be held at 8pm in [Worcester College's](#) Lecture Room B. This is on Staircase 5, on the right side of the main quad and down the stairs, but we'll meet outside to get into the college together.

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## Termcard

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|--------|-----------|----------|------------------------|---|
| 12 Oct | Sunday    | 1st Week | <b>Freshers' Cakes</b> | Drop in for obligation-free <b>CAKE</b> ( <i>not a lie!</i> ), drinks, nibbles, introductions, and conversation!<br>3-6pm in <a href="#">Wadham</a> New Seminar Room A, which is on Staircase 4 at the back-right corner of the main quad.  |
| 15 Oct | Wednesday | 1st Week | Discussion             | <i>Desert Planet Books</i> (or <i>10 books to read before you die</i> ). Our Michaelmas term kicks off, as is traditional, with a our annual discussion of the best books of all time. An excellent place to find out about the best books that you have not yet come across, and hopefully introduce the society to hidden gems that we have not heard of. |
| 22 Oct | Wednesday | 2nd Week | Film                   | <a href="#">Galaxy Quest</a>  |
| 29 Oct | Wednesday | 3rd Week | Discussion             | Portrayal of neanderthals in SF (discussion led by Whitney)   |
| 5 Nov  | Wednesday | 4th Week | Film                   | <a href="#">Only Lovers Left Alive</a>  |
| 12 Nov | Wednesday | 5th Week | Discussion             | <i>Colaborative story-writing</i> . The first time we tried this there were tentacular Vikings and the space-time continuum was never quite the same again. This time is may not be quite as prosaic.<br>If you couldn't make any meetings earlier in the term, this is another good opportunity to come and meet us.                                       |
| 13 Nov | Thursday  | 5th Week | Quiz                   | Oxford Geek Quiz — battle of wits and knowledge against Docsoc, Talksoc, RPGsoc, et al. Bring your own round of questions if you like (don't tell anyone the answers). 8pm, outside the Daubeny Lecture Theatre, Magdalen ( <a href="#">Directions from WhoSoc.</a> )   |
| 19 Nov | Wednesday | 6th Week | Film                   | <a href="#">The Nightmare Before Christmas</a>  |
| 26 Nov | Wednesday | 7th Week | Discussion             | Demographics of Fan-Fic (discussion led by Ellie)   |
| 3 Dec  | Wednesday | 7th Week | Christmas Party        | with silly games  |

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# OUSFG Trinity Termcard 2014

**Sunday Library Meetings** are held from 8pm till late at the Librarians' flat, number 1 in Staincross House, Albion Place (near St Aldate's) ([map](#))

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**Wednesday film meetings** will be held at 8pm in [Worcester College's](#) Lecture Room B. This is on Staircase 5, on the right side of the main quad, but we'll meet outside to get into the college together.

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## Termcard

30 Apr	Wednesday	1st Week	Discussion	Crafts (run my Mel)
7 May	Wednesday	2nd Week	Film	<a href="#">Brazil</a>
14 May	Wednesday	3rd Week	Discussion	LGBTQ+ representation (Lyndsey chairing)
21 May	Wednesday	4th Week	Film	<a href="#">Buffy the Vampire Slayer</a> movie
28 May	Wednesday	5th Week	Discussion	Religion in SF (Peter)
29 May	Thursday	5th Week	Quiz	Oxford Geek Quiz — battle of wits and knowledge against Docsoc, Talksoc, RPGsoc, et al. Bring your own round of questions if you like (don't tell anyone the answers). 8pm, in The Daubeny Room, Magdalen. Meet on Rose Lane opposite the main entrance to Magdalen. ( <a href="#">Directions from WhoSoc.</a> )
4 Jun	Wednesday	6th Week	Film	<a href="#">Pacific Rim</a>
8 Jun	Sunday	7th Week	EGM	Extraordinary General Meeting to approve changes to the OUSFG Constitution.
11 Jun	Wednesday	7th Week	Discussion	Werewolf Rules Discussion
14 Jun	Saturday	7th Week	Punt Party	
18 Jun	Wednesday	8th Week	Silly Games	in <a href="#">Catz</a>

# OUSFG Hilary Termcard 2015

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**Wednesday discussion meetings** and **speaker meeting** are held at 8pm in [Pembroke College](#), Mary Hyde Eccles Room on staircase 8. You get to it as follows: enter through the Lodge, turn right, go through the archway, turn right, go through the mini-archway, go into the building on your right and it'll be there.

**Wednesday film meetings** will be held at 8pm in [Worcester College](#)'s Lecture Room B. This is on Staircase 5, on the right side of the main quad and down the stairs, but we'll meet outside to get into the college together.

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## Termcard

21 Jan	Wednesday	1st Week	Film	<a href="#">Carmilla</a>
28 Jan	Wednesday	2nd Week	Discussion	How to take over the world, led by Ellie
4 Feb	Wednesday	3rd Week	Film	Fanvideos with discussion organised by Miriam (this meeting will also be held at Pembroke).
11 Feb	Wednesday	4th Week	Discussion	World-building and map-making, led by Timothy
18 Feb	Wednesday	5th Week	Film	<a href="#">From Dusk Till Dawn</a>
19 Feb	Thursday	5th Week	Quiz	Oxford Geek Quiz — battle of wits and knowledge against Docsoc, Talksoc, RPGsoc, et al. Bring your own round of questions if you like (don't tell anyone the answers). 8pm, outside the Daubeny Lecture Theatre, Magdalen ( <a href="#">Directions from WhoSoc.</a> )
25 Feb	Wednesday	6th Week	Film	<a href="#">Pumzi</a>
28 Feb	Saturday	6th Week	Banquet	will be held at Al Shami on Walton Crescent at 19.30 (booking essential)
4 Mar	Wednesday	7th Week	Speaker	Philosophy in SF. <a href="#">Anders Sandberg</a> will discuss with us the philosophy of cognitive enhancement as expressed in science fiction.
8 Mar	Sunday	8th Week	AGM	The society's Annual General Meeting, at which we elect our new committee for Trinity 2015 - Hilary 2016, will be held at 8pm, at the start of the usual library meeting.
11 Mar	Wednesday	8th Week	Silly Games	

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# OUSFG Michaelmas Termcard 2015

**Sunday Library Meetings** are held from 8pm until late (normally around midnight) in Room 18, [St Aldates House](#). It's located on Speedwell Street, just off St Aldates, and past the Tesco. Call or text Jabberwocky on 07833326322 if you need to be let in, or need help with directions.

These evenings are an opportunity to socialise, and chat about life, the universe and everything, whilst also perusing and borrowing from OUSFG's library of around 1000 books.

**Wednesday discussion (&c) meetings** are held at 8pm in [Queen's College](#), Lecture Room A (unless noted otherwise, below). We'll be meeting by the front entrance on High Street at 8pm to walk in. If you arrive later, just go to the right side of the front quad - the door will have a sign for the lecture room outside.

Sign up for the [ousfg-announce](#) mailing list to receive a reminder and details for each meeting.

## Termcard

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|--------|-----------|----------|--------------------|---|
| 14 Oct | Wednesday | 1st Week | Discussion         | <i>Desert Planet Books</i> (or <i>10 books to read before you die</i> ). Our Michaelmas term kicks off, as is traditional, with a our annual discussion of the best books of all time. An excellent place to find out about the best books that you have not yet come across, and hopefully introduce the society to hidden gems that we have not heard of. |
| 21 Oct | Wednesday | 2nd Week | Discussion         | A <a href="#">Back to the Future</a> inspired discussion on time travel and futures past.   |
| 28 Oct | Wednesday | 3rd Week | Video              | Episodes of <a href="#">Red Dwarf</a> . This meeting is in <a href="#">Pembroke College's</a> , <a href="#">Mary Hyde Eccles Room</a> .<br>The chosen episodes we plan to watch are: <i>The End</i> (S1E1), <i>Queeg</i> (S2E5), <i>Terrorform</i> (S5E3), <i>Gunmen of the Apocalypse</i> (S6E3), and <i>Back to Reality</i> (S5E6).                       |
| 4 Nov  | Wednesday | 4th Week | Board Games        |   |
| 11 Nov | Wednesday | 5th Week | Discussion         | Quiz prep at <a href="#">G&amp;D's</a> , casual meeting   |
| 12 Nov | Thursday  | 5th Week | Quiz               | Oxford Geek Quiz — battle of wits and knowledge against Docsoc, Tolksoc, RPGsoc, et al. Bring your own round of questions if you like (don't tell anyone the answers). 8pm, outside the Daubeny Lecture Theatre, Magdalen ( <a href="#">Directions from WhoSoc</a> .)   |
| 18 Nov | Wednesday | 6th Week | Discussion         | Fantastic beasts and where to find them, and ousfg beast creation session, full details to be figured out by Will.  |
| 25 Nov | Wednesday | 7th Week | Discussion         | This week, our Wednesday meeting is for creating our own fantastic creatures, and will be led by Will. Come along and make a marvel (or abomination) to rival the mechaswan! We're in a different room than usual: the meeting will be held in Park 3, at Somerville College. We'll be meeting outside the main gate at 8pm.                                |
| 2 Dec  | Wednesday | 8th Week | Party/Social Games |   |

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# OUSFG Trinity Termcard 2015

**Sunday Library Meetings** are held from 8pm till late in [17 Merton Street](#), room 4, from 8pm until late (normally around midnight). If you arrive later, you will need to ring the buzzer, and it may take a minute for someone to come downstairs and let you in.

These evenings are an opportunity to socialise, and chat about life, the universe and everything, whilst also perusing and borrowing from OUSFG's library of around 1000 books.

**Wednesday discussion and film meetings meetings (except 1st Week)** are held at 8pm, provisionally in [Pembroke College](#), Mary Hyde Eccles Room on staircase 8. You get to it as follows: enter through the Lodge, turn right, go through the archway, turn right, go through the mini-archway, go into the building on your right and it'll be there.

**Film meeting on Wednesday 1st Week** will be held at 8pm in [Worcester College](#)'s Lecture Room B. This is on Staircase 5, on the right side of the main quad and down the stairs, but we'll meet outside to get into the college together.

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## Termcard

29 Apr	Wednesday	1st Week	Film	<a href="#">Frequently Asked Questions About Time Travel</a> . (This meeting will be held in Worcester.)
6 May	Wednesday	2nd Week	Discussion	Werewolf, variants and game testing, led by Kiwi.
13 May	Wednesday	3rd Week	Audio	<a href="#">Welcome to Night Vale</a> or <a href="#">The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy radio series</a> , to be decided <a href="#">by poll</a> .
20 May	Wednesday	4th Week	Board games	A relaxing midterm evening.
27 May	Wednesday	5th Week	Discussion	Debate on the best character by Terry Pratchett, led by Mel with Jabberwocky and Rory.
28 May	Thursday	5th Week	Quiz	Oxford Geek Quiz — battle of wits and knowledge against Docsoc, Talksoc, RPGsoc, et al. Bring your own round of questions if you like (don't tell anyone the answers). 8pm, outside the Daubeny Lecture Theatre, Magdalen ( <a href="#">Directions from WhoSoc</a> .)
3 Jun	Wednesday	6th Week	Discussion	Discussion of a selection of short stories (suggestions to <a href="#">Rory</a> )
10 Jun	Wednesday	7th Week	Film	To be chosen. Suggestions to <a href="#">Thea H</a>
17 Jun	Wednesday	8th Week	Social Games	

# OUSFG Hilary Termcard 2016

**Sunday Library Meetings** are held from 8pm until late (normally around midnight) at Will's house, 5c Kingston Road, accessed via the [rear entrance on Walton Well Road](#). These evenings are an opportunity to socialise, and chat about life, the universe and everything, whilst also perusing and borrowing from OUSFG's library of around 1000 books.

**Wednesday discussion (&c) meetings** are held at 8pm in [Somerville](#), *Park 3* meeting room; or [Queen's College](#), Lecture Room C.

Sign up for the [ousfg-announce](#) mailing list to receive a reminder and details for each meeting.

## Termcard

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|--------|-----------|----------|-------------|--|
| 20 Jan | Wednesday | 1st Week | Film        | <a href="#">Jupiter Ascending</a> . The most recent film from the Wachowski siblings, critically panned but described as a spectacle to be seen. My favourite review is "The movie's a fascinating mess, grand and gaudy, often hilarious." 8pm, <a href="#">Somerville</a> , <i>Park 3</i> meeting room.  |
| 23 Jan | Saturday  | 1st Week | Discussion  | Taurithorn Crossover Event. We will be meeting with the <a href="#">Tolkein Society</a> to discuss connections between works of literature. This meeting will be held at 8pm in <a href="#">Christ Church</a> , Bayne Room (door about one-third along right side of the front Quad, ground floor).  |
| 3 Feb  | Wednesday | 3rd Week | Games       | Boardgames. We are meeting with a selection of boardgames. If you have any particular favourites then be sure to bring them along. 8pm, <a href="#">Somerville</a> , <i>Park 3</i> meeting room.   |
| 10 Feb | Wednesday | 4th Week | Discussion  | Interactive Fiction. This combined talk and discussion is being run by our president Jabberwocky (Jacob) and will be about forms of interactive fiction, such as Choose Your Own Adventure novels, text based games, and even up to visual novels. Feel free to bring along a laptop with your own examples, or read some of the examples we will bring to the meeting. 8pm, <a href="#">Queen's College</a> , Lecture Room C. |
| 18 Feb | Thursday  | 5th Week | Quiz        | Oxford Geek Quiz — battle of wits and knowledge against Docsoc, Tokksoc, RPGsoc, et al. Bring your own round of questions if you like (don't tell anyone the answers). 8pm, <a href="#">St. Peter's College</a> , Dorfman Centre. ( <a href="#">Details from WhoSoc</a> .)   |
| 20 Feb | Saturday  | 5th Week | Banquet     | will be held at <a href="#">Al Shami</a> on <a href="#">Walton Crescent</a> at 7:30pm.   |
| 24 Feb | Wednesday | 6th Week | Discussion  | Web Comics meeting. Will is going to lead a discussion on web comics. Come along with your own favourite to suggest, or listen to others to find out what you should check out online. 8pm, <a href="#">Somerville</a> , <i>Park 3</i> meeting room.   |
| 2 Mar  | Wednesday | 7th Week | TV          | <a href="#">Merlin</a> TV episodes. Provided we have a suitable selection of episodes we are going to watch 3 or so episodes to get a good introduction to the series. Feel free to come even if you have not seen Merlin before.  |
| 9 Mar  | Wednesday | 8th Week | Silly Games | We have an opening for a meeting if anybody has good ideas, but otherwise we will meet up to play some social/silly games and chat to finish up the term.  |

This term we will also be holding the annual OUSFG **banquet**. Details to be decided.

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# OUSFG Michaelmas Termcard 2016

**Sunday Library Meetings** would *usually* be held from 8pm until late (normally around midnight) in the OUSFG library. These evenings are an opportunity to socialise, and chat about life, the universe and everything, whilst also perusing and borrowing from OUSFG's library of around 600 books. Unfortunately this term we don't have anywhere with room for both OUSFG members and books, so we will hold separate gatherings on occasional Sunday evenings — to be announced.

**Wednesday (or Thursday) film/discussion/speaker meetings** are held at 8pm in one of the [Pembroke College \(map\)](#) or [Somerville College \(map\)](#) meeting rooms. See below for details.

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## Termcard

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|--------|-----------|----------|----------------------------|------------------------|--|
| 9 Oct  | Sunday    | 1st Week | <a href="#">Somerville</a> | <b>Freshers' Cakes</b> | Drop in for obligation-free <b>CAKE</b> ( <i>not a lie!</i> ), drinks, nibbles, introductions, and conversation!<br>3-6pm in <a href="#">Somerville</a> 's New Powell Room.  |
| 12 Oct | Wednesday | 1st Week | <a href="#">Pembroke</a>   | Discussion             | <i>Desert Planet Books</i> (or <i>10 books to read before you die</i> ). Our Michaelmas term kicks off, as is traditional, with a our annual discussion of the best books of all time. An excellent place to find out about the best books that you have not yet come across, and hopefully introduce the society to hidden gems that we have not heard of.<br>8pm in <a href="#">Pembroke</a> 's Allen and Overy Seminar Room (29 on <a href="#">map</a> )  |
| 19 Oct | Wednesday | 2nd Week | <a href="#">Pembroke</a>   | Discussion             | <i>Tentacular Vikings</i> . Working within the constraints of a few required plot elements can we come up with ideas and plot for a book or film? Previous stories have involved biotech (somehow involving the <a href="#">Great God Cthulhu</a> and a cloned murderer played by <a href="#">SM Gellar</a> ), an archaeological dig on an alien world, and bears who poop in spaaaaace. Oh yes, and <a href="#">tentacular Vikings</a> . (Discussion led by Tim.)<br>8pm in <a href="#">Pembroke</a> 's Allen and Overy Seminar Room (29 on <a href="#">map</a> ) |
| 26 Oct | Wednesday | 3rd Week | <a href="#">Pembroke</a>   | Film                   | <a href="#">The Rocky Horror Picture Show</a> . Fancy dress is far from compulsory but is very much encouraged!<br>8:10pm in <a href="#">Pembroke</a> 's Eccles Room (8 on <a href="#">map</a> )   |
| 3 Nov  | Thursday  | 4th Week | <a href="#">Pembroke</a>   | Speaker                | <a href="#">Award winning</a> author and former OUSFG president, <b>Frances Hardinge</b> will be speaking to the Society.<br>8pm in <a href="#">Pembroke</a> 's Eccles Room (8 on <a href="#">map</a> )<br>We have a <a href="#">poster</a> and a <a href="#">Facebook page</a> for this event. It would be really helpful if you could let us know whether you're attending either on Facebook or via <a href="#">email</a> . If there's anything you'd like to ask / hear Frances Hardinge talk about, you can also email with your questions!                   |
| 9 Nov  | Wednesday | 5th Week | <a href="#">Somerville</a> | Discussion             | An evening dedicated to playing <i>Werewolf</i> , a game in which everyone is an ordinary villager, and no one saw anyone die. <del>Fresh blood</del> New players are most welcome. Our (ever evolving) rules will be explained; or see <a href="#">here</a> .<br>8pm in <a href="#">Somerville</a> 's New Powell Room. (top-right on <a href="#">map</a> ) [ <a href="#">Facebook</a> ]   |
| 10 Nov | Thursday  | 5th Week | <a href="#">St Peter's</a> | Quiz                   | Oxford Geek Quiz — battle of wits and knowledge against Docsoc, Talksoc, RPGsoc, et al. Bring your own round of questions if you like (don't tell anyone the answers). This term, <b>cosplay</b> is encouraged, but not compulsory. Representing OUSFG, you can come dressed according to an SF or fantasy theme. 8pm, <a href="#">St. Peter's College</a> , Dorfman Centre.   |
| 16 Nov | Wednesday | 6th Week | <a href="#">Somerville</a> | Discussion             | <i>Web comics</i> . What does the web comic scene look like? Is there anything else worth reading aside from <a href="#">XKCD</a> and <a href="#">SMBC</a> (spoiler alert: yes)? Where is a good place to start? Join us for a lively and most educational discussion led by our resident web comic specialist, Will.<br>8pm in <a href="#">Somerville</a> 's Eleanor Rathbone Room (top-right on <a href="#">map</a> , next to New Powell) [ <a href="#">Facebook</a> ]   |
| 23 Nov | Wednesday | 7th Week | <a href="#">Pembroke</a>   | Film                   | <a href="#">Mad Max: Fury Road</a><br>8pm in <a href="#">Pembroke</a> 's Eccles Room (8 on <a href="#">map</a> )   |
| 30 Nov | Wednesday | 8th Week | <a href="#">Somerville</a> | Party                  | Christmas party at 8pm in <a href="#">Somerville</a> 's Maitland 20 room (left of centre on <a href="#">map</a> )  |



# OUSFG Trinity Termcard 2016

**Sunday Library Meetings** (in 2nd, 4th, 6th, and 8th Weeks) are held from 8pm until late (normally around midnight) at Will's house, 5c Kingston Road, accessed via the [rear entrance on Walton Well Road](#). These evenings are an opportunity to socialise, and chat about life, the universe and everything, whilst also perusing and borrowing from OUSFG's library of around 1000 books.

Other Sundays (1st, 3rd, 5th, and 7th Weeks) we will be meeting elsewhere. Venues to be announced.

**Wednesday film and discussion meetings** are held at 8pm in one of the [Somerville College](#) meeting rooms; or [Pembroke College](#), *Andrew Pitt Room*. See below for details.

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## Termcard

- 27 Apr Wednesday 1st Week Discussion *Cakes and Werewolf* in Somerville Park 3.
- 4 May Wednesday 2nd Week Film [The Truman Show](#) in Pembroke.
- 11 May Wednesday 3rd Week Discussion *Tentacular Vikings Evening* in Somerville Maitland 20. Working within the constraints of a few required plot elements can we come up with ideas and plot for a book or film? Previous stories have involved biotech (somehow involving the [Great God Cthulhu](#) and a cloned murderer played by [SM Gellar](#)), an archaeological dig on an alien world, and a time-travelling dragon. Oh yes, and [tentacular Vikings](#). (Discussion led by Tim.)
- 18 May Wednesday 4th Week Discussion *OUSFG logo redesign* in Somerville House 23. (Discussion led by President.)
- 25 May Wednesday 5th Week Film [Gravity](#) in Pembroke.
- 26 May Thursday 5th Week Quiz Oxford Geek Quiz — battle of wits and knowledge against Docsoc, Talksoc, RPGsoc, et al. Bring your own round of questions if you like (don't tell anyone the answers). This term, **cosplay** is encouraged, but not compulsory. Representing OUSFG, you can come dressed according to an SF or fantasy theme. 8pm, [St. Peter's College](#), Dorfman Centre. ([Details from WhoSoc.](#))
- 1 Jun Wednesday 6th Week Discussion *Soviet SF* in Pembroke. (Discussion led by President.)
- 8 Jun Wednesday 7th Week Discussion ~~*Arts & Crafts* in Pembroke. (Discussion led by President.)~~ **CANCELLED**
- 15 Jun Wednesday 8th Week Social Games Silly games, outside in Somerville.

This term we will also be holding the annual OUSFG **punt party** and **panto**. Details to be decided.

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# OUSFG Hilary Termcard 2017

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## Termcard

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|--------|-----------|----------|----------------------------|-------------|---|
| 18 Jan | Wednesday | 1st Week | <a href="#">Somerville</a> | EGM         | This meeting will be an <b>Extraordinary General Meeting</b> , and we'll be voting on the proposed changes to the constitution, passed down to us from the Proctors' Office. We'll then celebrate this exercise in democracy by killing each other in a Werewolf game or two.   |
| 25 Jan | Wednesday | 2nd Week | <a href="#">Pembroke</a>   | Discussion  | <b>Is the adaptation better than the original?</b> Jabberwocky will lead a discussion that is bound to tear OUSFG apart.<br>8pm in the Littlegate Seminar Room in Pembroke (29 on the <a href="#">map</a> )   |
| 1 Feb  | Wednesday | 3rd Week | <a href="#">Pembroke</a>   | Discussion  | <b>Utopias (and possibly dystopias).</b> A discussion meeting prompted by a lengthy conversation at the pub about how to make the world a better more efficient place. Loosely led by President.<br>8pm in the Andrew Pitt Room in Pembroke (29 on the <a href="#">map</a> ).   |
| 8 Feb  | Wednesday | 4th Week | <a href="#">Pembroke</a>   | Discussion  | <b>Interactive fiction.</b> Jabberwocky will tell us what this is all about. According to rumour, there's a fun interactive element to it.<br>8pm in the Eleanor Rathbone Room, Somerville College (middle right on the <a href="#">map</a> ).  |
| 15 Feb | Wednesday | 5th Week | <a href="#">Somerville</a> | Video       | <b>Anime.</b> Ben and Will will introduce us to the anime SF scene with a few pilot episodes.<br>8pm in House 29, Somerville College (middle right on the <a href="#">map</a> ).  |
| 16 Feb | Thursday  | 5th Week | <a href="#">GTC</a>        | Quiz        | Oxford Geek <b>Quiz</b> — battle of wits and knowledge against Docsoc, Tolksoc, RPGsoc, et al. Bring your own round of questions if you like (don't tell anyone the answers). <b>Cosplay</b> is encouraged, but not compulsory. Representing OUSFG, you can come dressed according to an SF or fantasy theme.<br>7:45pm, <a href="#">Green Templeton College</a> Lecture Theatre ( <a href="#">Details from WhoSoc.</a> ) |
| 22 Feb | Wednesday | 6th Week | <a href="#">Pembroke</a>   | Discussion  | <b>Gods of OUSFG.</b> In a fight to the death, which fictional deity or deity-like entity would win? Convince us that your favourites really are the best! Again, loosely led by President.<br>8pm in the Littlegate Seminar Room in Pembroke (29 on the <a href="#">map</a> )  |
| 25 Feb | Saturday  | 6th Week |                            | Banquet     | <b>The OUSFG banquet!</b> Location to be confirmed, but we can promise lots of good food and even better company.   |
| 1 Mar  | Wednesday | 7th Week | <a href="#">Pembroke</a>   | AGM         | <b>Annual General Meeting.</b> According to our glorious leader: "Power corrupts, or so they say. I just think it's quite good fun, really. Unfortunately, at the end of term I'll be retiring from my presidency and taking my place as member of The Council of the Wizened. This means committee elections!"   |
| 8 Mar  | Wednesday | 8th Week | <a href="#">Somerville</a> | Silly games | I suppose serious games are also allowed. Maybe.  |

# OUSFG Michaelmas Termcard 2017

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## Termcard

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| 8 Oct  | Sunday    | 1st Week | <a href="#">Somerville</a> | <b>Freshers' Cakes</b> | Drop in for obligation-free <b>CAKE</b> ( <i>not a lie!</i> ), drinks, nibbles, introductions, and conversation!<br>3-6pm in <a href="#">Somerville College</a> room Maitland 19 (centre of <a href="#">college map</a> )   |
| 11 Oct | Wednesday | 1st Week | <a href="#">Pembroke</a>   | Discussion             | <i>Desert Planet Books</i> (or <i>10 books to read before you die</i> ). 8pm in the Littlegate Room, Pembroke College. Our Michaelmas term kicks off, as is <a href="#">traditional</a> , with a our annual discussion of the best books of all time. An excellent place to find out about books that you have not yet come across, and hopefully introduce the society to hidden gems that we have not heard of.   |
| 18 Oct | Wednesday | 2nd Week | <a href="#">Pembroke</a>   | Discussion             | <i>Oxford in SF</i> . 8pm in the Littlegate Room, Pembroke College. In which we discuss the many fine examples of speculative fiction set in our great city and <a href="#">university</a> , and provide inspiring examples of Oxford authors, some from OUSFG, who wrote great SF. Destroying Oxford is optional.  |
| 22 Oct | Sunday    | 3rd Week | OUSFG Library              | Library                | An opportunity to socialise, and chat about life, the universe and everything, whilst also perusing and borrowing from OUSFG's library of around 600 books. 8pm till late. Directions to follow.  |
| 25 Oct | Wednesday | 3rd Week | <a href="#">Somerville</a> | Discussion             | <i>Tentacular Vikings</i> . 8pm in Eleanor Rathbone Room, Somerville College. Working within the constraints of a few required plot elements can we come up with ideas and plot for a book or film? Previous stories have involved biotech (somehow involving the <a href="#">Great God Cthulhu</a> and a cloned murderer played by <a href="#">SM Gellar</a> ), the use of a time machine to establish academic priority, and bears who poop in spaaaaace. Oh yes, and <a href="#">tentacular Vikings</a> . (Discussion led by Tim.) |
| 1 Nov  | Wednesday | 4th Week | <a href="#">Pembroke</a>   | Film                   | <i>Little Shop of Horrors</i> . 8pm in the Littlegate Room, Pembroke College. "I'm just a mean green mother from outer space and I'm bad!"  |
| 8 Nov  | Wednesday | 5th Week | <a href="#">Somerville</a> | Discussion             | <i>Arts &amp; Crafts</i> . 8pm in Eleanor Rathbone Room, Somerville College. Miriam will be introducing us to the dark arts of crochet and knitting. There will be other options (of the drawing / colouring variety) for those less needle-happy.  |
| 9 Nov  | Thursday  | 5th Week | <a href="#">Worcester</a>  | Quiz                   | Oxford Geek Quiz — battle of wits and knowledge against Docsoc, Talksoc, HPsoc et al. Bring your own round of questions if you like (don't tell anyone the answers).<br>8pm, Nazrin Shah auditorium in Worcester College ( <a href="#">map</a> ; <a href="#">Details from Docsoc</a> ).   |
| 15 Nov | Wednesday | 6th Week | <a href="#">Pembroke</a>   | Discussion             | An evening dedicated to playing <i>Werewolf</i> , a game in which everyone is an ordinary villager, and no one saw anyone die. <del>Fresh blood</del> New players are most welcome. Our (ever evolving) rules will be explained; or see <a href="#">here</a> . (meeting led by Ash)   |
| 22 Nov | Wednesday | 7th Week | <a href="#">Somerville</a> | Discussion             | <i>Introduction to Filk</i> . Write your own <a href="#">filk</a> and sing along (led by Miriam). 8pm in Maitland 20, Somerville College.   |
| 29 Nov | Wednesday | 8th Week | <a href="#">Somerville</a> | Party                  | <i>Chirstmas party</i> with games. 8pm in Eleanor Rathbone Room, Somerville College.  |

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## Termcard

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| 26 Apr | Wednesday | 1st Week | <a href="#">Pembroke</a>   | Discussion  | AI discussion led by Will. Is true Artificial Intelligence possible or desirable? Do we risk being replaced/eliminated? (Maybe that's a good thing.) What precautions should we be taking? This is a classic theme of SF. Some examples that come to mind that maybe we can discuss are <a href="#">L. Robot</a> , <a href="#">The Terminator</a> , <a href="#">Person of Interest</a> , and <a href="#">Humans</a> . |
| 3 May  | Wednesday | 2nd Week | <a href="#">Somerville</a> | Video       | A stand-alone episode from <a href="#">Black Mirror</a> and, to cheer us up afterwards, the first episode of <a href="#">Dirk Gently's Holistic Detective Agency</a> (US series).   |
| 10 May | Wednesday | 3rd Week | <a href="#">Pembroke</a>   | Discussion  | <i>Translation of SF and Fantasy</i> discussion led by Lyuba. Bilbo <b>Who?</b> Reading SF in translation and trying to make sense of the original. This meeting will be in Pembroke's Hester Room ( <a href="#">18</a> on <a href="#">map</a> ).   |
| 17 May | Wednesday | 4th Week | <a href="#">Somerville</a> | Discussion  | <i>Remembrance of futures past</i> discussion led by Will. How has SF of different times viewed the future? This meeting will be in Somerville's New Powell Room (top right on <a href="#">map</a> ).   |
| 25 May | Thursday  | 5th Week | <a href="#">Worcester</a>  | Quiz        | Oxford Geek <b>Quiz</b> — battle of wits and knowledge against Docsoc, Tolksoc, HPSoc et al. Bring your own round of questions if you like (don't tell anyone the answers). <b>7pm</b> , Nazrin Shah auditorium in Worcester College ( <a href="#">map</a> ; <a href="#">Details from WhoSoc</a> ).   |
| 31 May | Wednesday | 6th Week | <a href="#">Somerville</a> | Discussion  | <i>Favourite obscure book</i> . Bring your favourite book/eBook that isn't so well known (probably safe, as long as it isn't <a href="#">Discworld</a> ). We'd like to hear a bit more about it than we usually have time for at <i>Desert Planet Books</i> , and maybe read a little bit according to your recommendation.   |
| 7 Jun  | Wednesday | 7th Week | <a href="#">Pembroke</a>   | Silly games | I suppose serious games are also allowed. Maybe.  |

We will also have a **punt party** later in the term (*perhaps Saturday 6th Week, 3 June*).

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# OUSFG Hilary Termcard 2018

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## Termcard

17 Jan	Wednesday	1st Week	<a href="#">Somerville</a>	Film	<a href="#">Black Mirror</a> . We will see one or two episodes from the new series of this SF anthology.
24 Jan	Wednesday	2nd Week	<a href="#">Pembroke</a>	Discussion	<i>Alternative Histories and Parallel Worlds</i> . How might things be different if <a href="#">The Axis had won the Second World War</a> , if <a href="#">Orcs and Elves had survived from the Third Age</a> , or if <a href="#">Biff had taken the DeLorean back to 1955?</a> (meeting led by Tim)
28 Jan	Sunday	3rd Week	OUSFG Library	Library	An opportunity to socialise, and chat about life, the universe and everything, whilst also perusing and borrowing from OUSFG's library of around 600 books. 8pm till late in our Librarian's (William) new flat near the Railway Station. Directions to follow.
31 Jan	Wednesday	3rd Week	<a href="#">Pembroke</a>	Discussion	An evening dedicated to playing <i>Werewolf</i> , a game in which everyone is an ordinary villager, and no one saw anyone die. <del>Fresh blood</del> New players are most welcome. Our (ever evolving) rules will be explained; or see <a href="#">here</a> . (meeting led by Ash and Lyuba)
7 Feb	Wednesday	4th Week	<a href="#">Pembroke</a>	Discussion	Fan/Cover art (led by Ash)
11 Feb	Sunday	5th Week	OUSFG Library	Library	An opportunity to socialise, and chat about life, the universe and everything, whilst also perusing and borrowing from OUSFG's library of around 600 books. 8pm till late.
14 Feb	Wednesday	5th Week	<a href="#">Pembroke</a>	Discussion	<i>Quantum Computing in Science and Fiction</i> . This will include a lay person's introduction to quantum computing by an expert (Miriam) and discussion about representations/use of quantum physics in fiction.
15 Feb	Thursday	5th Week	<a href="#">Worcester</a>	Quiz	Oxford Geek Quiz — battle of wits and knowledge against WhoSoc, ToloSoc, HPSoc et al. Bring your own round of questions if you like (don't tell anyone the answers). 8pm, Nazrin Shah auditorium in Worcester College ( <a href="#">map</a> ; <a href="#">Details from WhoSoc</a> ).
21 Feb	Wednesday	6th Week	<a href="#">Somerville</a>	Discussion	<i>Quantum SF</i> . Now we are experts in all things Quantum, we will discuss how Quantum physics is used in SF: the good, bad, and ugly. (Discussion led by Miriam.)
24 Feb	Saturday	6th Week	TBD	Banquet	Fine food and fabulous conversation.
28 Feb	Wednesday	7th Week	<a href="#">Somerville</a>	Discussion	<i>Annual General Meeting</i> including committee elections and the traditional amending of the Society Constitution (boring but quick) and By-laws ( <del>silly</del> vitally important).
7 Mar	Wednesday	8th Week	<a href="#">Somerville</a>	Silly Games	I suppose serious games are also allowed. Maybe.



# OUSFG Michaelmas Termcard 2018

**Wednesday** discussion, video, and games meetings are held at 8pm, in [Worcester College](#) ([map](#)); [Pembroke College](#)'s Allen and Overy Room (#29 on [map](#)); or [St John's College](#) New Seminar Room (#5 on [map](#)). See the termcard below for details.

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## Termcard

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| 6 Oct  | Saturday  | 0th Week | <a href="#">Worcester</a> <b>Freshers' Virtual Cakes</b> | Drop in to meet the crew and fellow geeky freshers, see what we get up to, maybe play some silly games, and see whether the virtual cake becomes real.<br>2-5pm in the SNSC Le May Room in <a href="#">Worcester College</a> . SNSC is the "Sultan Nazrin Shah Centre" which is a pretty (albeit convoluted) walk from the College main entrance. Follow the signs for the "Sultan Nazrin Shah Centre", shown by the arrows on this <a href="#">map</a> , or as follows. Go to the right around the quad, and down staircase 6 at the end. Walk across Besse Quad and out across the Orchard, through the Nash Building, and then turn left, head under Sainsbury Building, and the SNSC is ahead of you. If you come around 2pm, there will be guides at the Worcester College main entrance. Or you can ask the College Porters for directions. |
| 10 Oct | Wednesday | 1st Week | <a href="#">Worcester</a> Discussion                     | <i>Desert Planet Books</i> (or <i>10 books to read before you die</i> ). Our Michaelmas term kicks off, as is <a href="#">traditional</a> , with a our annual discussion of the best books of all time. An excellent place to find out about books that you have not yet come across, and hopefully introduce the society to hidden gems that we have not heard of.<br>8pm in Worcester College's Seminar Room A.   |
| 14 Oct | Sunday    | 2nd Week | OUSFG Library  | At 8pm. This is an opportunity to socialise and chat about life, the universe and everything, whilst also perusing OUSFG's library of around 600 books. If you are interested, we can also watch <a href="#">Doctor Who</a> together beforehand.  |
| 17 Oct | Wednesday | 2nd Week | <a href="#">Pembroke</a> Discussion                      | <i>Tentacular Vikings</i> . Working within the constraints of a few required plot elements can we come up with ideas and plot for a book or film? Previous stories have involved biotech (somehow involving the <a href="#">Great God Cthulhu</a> and a cloned murderer played by <a href="#">SM Gellar</a> ), the use of a time machine to establish academic priority, and <i>finally</i> an explanation for why we keep crashing on that dratted desert planet. Oh yes, and <a href="#">tentacular Vikings</a> .<br>(Discussion led by Tim.)<br>8pm in Pembroke College's Allen and Overy Room.  |
| 24 Oct | Wednesday | 3rd Week | <a href="#">Pembroke</a> Discussion                      | We invite you to join us for a look at one of the cornerstones of comic fantasy - Terry Pratchett's <a href="#">Discworld!</a> Can we coherently cover more than 30 years of magic, mayhem, and world-class storytelling? Will we initiate a new fan in a single night? What's the Librarian's real name? Come along, and find out!<br>(Discussion led by Eck.)<br>8pm in Pembroke College's Allen and Overy Room.  |
| 31 Oct | Wednesday | 4th Week | <a href="#">Pembroke</a> Video                           | Halloween film: <a href="#">What We Do in the Shadows</a> .   |
| 7 Nov  | Wednesday | 5th Week | <a href="#">Pembroke</a> Games                           | Time to dust off your crossbows and break out your poker faces... this Wednesday OUSFG will be playing <b>Werewolf!</b> If you aren't already familiar with it, Werewolf is a silly and fiendish role-playing game similar to <i>Mafia</i> . A group of villagers are trying to track down some werewolves hiding in their midst; this involves logical deduction, shameless lying and backstabbing, and a lot of silliness. We'll explain the rules on the night or if you're very keen you can see them <a href="#">here</a> . (meeting led by Ash)   |
| 8 Nov  | Thursday  | 5th Week | <a href="#">Worcester</a> Quiz                           | Oxford Geek Quiz — battle of wits and knowledge against WhoSoc, TolKSoc, HPSoc et al. Bring your own round of questions if you like (don't tell anyone the answers).<br>8pm, Nazrin Shah auditorium in Worcester College ( <a href="#">map</a> ; <a href="#">Details from WhoSoc</a> ).   |
| 11 Nov | Sunday    | 6th Week | OUSFG Library  | At 8pm. This is an opportunity to socialise and chat about life, the universe and everything, whilst also perusing OUSFG's library of around 600 books. If you are interested, we can also  |

- 14 Nov Wednesday 6th Week [St John's](#) Author watch [Doctor Who](#) together beforehand.  
*The Art/Science of Worldbuilding*. Join us as SFF author, **Bradley P. Beaulieu**, visits the UK and lays out the secrets of building interesting and effective worlds in literature, movies, computer games, etc. This will be followed by a Q&A session - a valuable opportunity to get questions answered on any part of the author's journey, from an accomplished and knowledgeable source.  
8pm in St John's College, New Seminar Room (#5 on [map](#)).  
([event poster](#), [Facebook event](#))
- 21 Nov Wednesday 7th Week [St John's](#) Discussion *Crisis of authorities*. Amelha will be tell us about the novels of [Jasper Fforde](#), about whom she is writing a thesis. She suggests that "we could discuss the question of authority and authorship in Fforde's novels through characters, references to the canon, worldbuilding and the power of the reader". 8pm in the New Seminar Room, St John's College.
- 28 Nov Wednesday 8th Week The Rickety Press Party **Chirstmas party** with silly games.

# OUSFG Trinity Termcard 2018

**Wednesday** discussion, video, and games meetings are held at 8pm, mostly in [Pembroke College](#). We'll meet just outside the main entrance. If you come late, you'll find us in The Rookery on Staircase 6, which is just across from the main entrance ([map](#)). Some meetings are held elsewhere, so please check the termcard below, or see the announcement on the mailing list.

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## Termcard

25 Apr	Wednesday	1st Week	<a href="#">Pembroke</a>	Video	Comedy SFF TV episodes: <a href="#">Rick and Morty</a> , <a href="#">Community</a> , <a href="#">The Good Place</a>
2 May	Wednesday	2nd Week	<a href="#">Gardeners Arms</a>	Discussion	<a href="#">Star Wars</a> canon beyond the movies (meeting led by Miriam). The Star Wars films are one of the most popular Hollywood franchises, but there is a lot more to the Star Wars universe than those (currently) nine films. From animated TV series (with a new one just announced) via comics to tie-in novels, there are plenty of Star Wars stories not made for the silver screen. If you've know (m)any of the Extended Universe/Legends materials, come along and tell us about your favourite bits! And if not, come along to find out where to start with the EU.
9 May	Wednesday	3rd Week	<a href="#">Worcester</a>	Games	Time to dust off your crossbows and break out your poker faces... this Wednesday OUSFG will be playing <b>Werewolf!</b> If you aren't already familiar with it, Werewolf is a silly and fiendish role-playing game similar to <i>Mafia</i> . A group of villagers are trying to track down some werewolves hiding in their midst; this involves logical deduction, shameless lying and backstabbing, and a lot of silliness. We'll explain the rules on the night or if you're very keen you can see them <a href="#">here</a> . (meeting led by Ash)
16 May	Wednesday	4th Week	<a href="#">Pembroke</a>	Discussion	Time travel for fun and profit (meeting led by Tim). At 20:00 BST on Wednesday, 16th May 2018 CE, we will meet / will have met / are meeting / have met at Pembroke College to discuss time travel. We particularly welcome visitors from the future or past - the usual prerequisite of OUSFG Eternal Membership is waived on this occasion.
23 May	Wednesday	5th Week	<a href="#">Pembroke</a>	Discussion	Creative writing and <a href="#">fanfic</a> (meeting led by Ash). We'll be playing some silly games to get the ideas flowing, then sitting down to do some quiet(ish) writing or coming up with worldbuilding notes or character designs. All genres welcomed, though you can expect a preponderance space ships, dragons and coffee shop AUs. No prior Writerly Experience is expected. We will provide pens and paper, but if you prefer to use a laptop or tablet you'll need to bring one.
24 May	Thursday	5th Week	<a href="#">Worcester</a>	Quiz	Oxford Geek Quiz — battle of wits and knowledge against WhoSoc, TolKSoc, HPsoc et al. Bring your own round of questions if you like (don't tell anyone the answers). 8pm, Nazrin Shah auditorium in Worcester College ( <a href="#">map</a> ; <a href="#">Details from WhoSoc</a> ).
30 May	Wednesday	6th Week	<a href="#">Pembroke</a>	Video	SFF TV drama episodes: <a href="#">Westworld</a> , <a href="#">Terminator: The Sarah Connor Chronicles</a> , <a href="#">American Gods</a>
6 Jun	Wednesday	7th Week	OUSFG Library	Discussion	<a href="#">The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy</a> (meeting led by Andy). The genius of Douglas Adams, and his works, deserves to be worshipped on a weekly basis; failing that, we can at least have a session at OUSFG. Come and join us for a curated selection of facts and insights, along with a round-table discussion for everyone to share their thoughts (good or bad). The meeting will be held in the OUSFG Library, which is at Flat 32, Rowland Hill Court, in the west of town not too far from the train station. You can reach a buzzer for flat 32 through one of the gates on Hollybush Row, near the zebra crossing, <a href="#">here</a> .
13 Jun	Wednesday	8th Week		Silly Games	I suppose serious games are also allowed. Maybe.

We will also be holding a **Punt Party**, with possible panto production, this term.



# OUSFG Hilary Termcard 2019

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## Termcard

16 Jan	Wednesday	1st Week	<a href="#">Pembroke</a>	Video	<a href="#">Black Mirror: Bandersnatch</a>
23 Jan	Wednesday	2nd Week	<a href="#">Pembroke</a>	Discussion	creative writing (Lyuba)
27 Jan	Sunday	3rd Week	OUSFG Library		At 8pm. This is an opportunity to socialise and chat about life, the universe and everything, whilst also perusing OUSFG's library of around 600 books.
30 Jan	Wednesday	3rd Week	<a href="#">Pembroke</a>	Games	Werewolf (Lyuba)
6 Feb	Wednesday	4th Week	<a href="#">Pembroke</a>	Video	Comedy TV/film
13 Feb	Wednesday	5th Week	<a href="#">Worcester</a>	Discussion	WorldCon/conventions (Miriam)
14 Feb	Thursday	5th Week	<a href="#">Mansfield</a>	Quiz	Oxford Geek Quiz — battle of wits and knowledge against WhoSoc, TolKSoc, HPSoc et al. Bring your own round of questions if you like (don't tell anyone the answers). 8pm, Sir Joseph Hotung Auditorium, Mansfield College <a href="#">Details from WhoSoc</a> .
20 Feb	Wednesday	6th Week	<a href="#">Worcester</a>	Discussion	Philip Pullman discussion (Amelha)
27 Feb	Wednesday	7th Week	<a href="#">Worcester</a>	Discussion	interactive fiction (Michael)
2 Mar	Saturday	7th Week	<a href="#">Zheng</a>	Banquet	OUSFG dinner at Zheng Restaurant
6 Mar	Wednesday	8th Week	<a href="#">Balliol</a>	AGM	Annual General Meeting and Silly Games

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# OUSFG Michaelmas Termcard 2019

**Wednesday** discussion, games, and video meetings are held at 8pm in [Pembroke College](#), in the Littlegate Room (#29 on [map](#)).

Sign up for the [ousfg-announce](#) mailing list to receive a reminder and details for each meeting.

## Termcard

- 16 Oct Wednesday 1st Week [Pembroke](#) Discussion *Desert Planet Books* (or *10 books to read before you die*). Our Michaelmas term kicks off, as is [traditional](#), with a our annual discussion of the best books of all time. An excellent place to find out about books that you have not yet come across, and hopefully introduce the society to hidden gems that we have not heard of.  
8pm in Pembroke College's Littlegate Room (#29 on [map](#)).
- 30 Oct Wednesday 3rd Week [Pembroke](#) Video Halloween movie at 8pm. We will watch a classic funny / spooky movie, as chosen by our [poll](#). Probably [The Addams Family](#) or [Beetlejuice](#).
- 6 Nov Wednesday 4th Week Library Library meeting.
- 13 Nov Wednesday 5th Week [Rickety Press](#) Games in the pub.
- 14 Nov Thursday 5th Week [Corpus Christi](#) Quiz Oxford Geek Quiz — battle of wits and knowledge against WhoSoc, TalkSoc, HPsoc et al. Bring your own round of questions if you like (don't tell anyone the answers).  
8pm, Corpus Christi College's auditorium ([Details from WhoSoc Facebook](#)).
- 20 Nov Wednesday 6th Week [Pembroke](#) Discussion *Tentacular Vikings*. Working within the constraints of a few required plot elements can we come up with ideas and plot for a book or film? Previous stories have involved biotech (somehow involving the [Great God Cthulhu](#) and a cloned murderer played by [SM Gellar](#)), the use of a time machine to establish academic priority, the [St Giles' Fair](#)'s role in keeping freshers from disappearing into parallel dimensions, and *finally* an explanation for why we keep crashing on that dratted desert planet. Oh yes, and [tentacular Vikings](#). (Discussion led by Tim.)  
8pm in Pembroke College's Littlegate Room (#29 on [map](#)).
- 27 Nov Wednesday 7th Week [Pembroke](#) Game Time to dust off your crossbows and break out your poker faces... this Wednesday OUSFG will be playing **Werewolf!** If you aren't already familiar with it, Werewolf is a silly and fiendish role-playing game similar to *Mafia*. A group of villagers are trying to track down some werewolves hiding in their midst; this involves logical deduction, shameless lying and backstabbing, and a lot of silliness. We'll explain the rules on the night or if you're very keen you can see them [here](#).  
8pm in Pembroke College, "The Rookery" on Staircase 6 of the main quad.
- 4 Dec Wednesday 8th Week [St Cross](#) Speaker / Discussion Philosopher and former OUSFG member, [Owen Cotton-Barratt](#), from the *Future of Humanity Institute* will discuss "What does SF tell us about the future?".  
8pm in St Cross College, Seminar Room.

# OUSFG Trinity Termcard 2019

**Wednesday** discussion and video meetings are held at 8pm in [Pembroke College](#), usually in the Allen and Overy Room (#29 on [map](#)). This location is still to be confirmed for later in the term.

Sign up for the [ousfg-announce](#) mailing list to receive a reminder and details for each meeting.

## Termcard

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| 1 May  | Wednesday | 1st Week | <a href="#">Pembroke</a>  | Discussion | Reading Interactive Fiction, led by Michael. He'll be providing some IF for us, but please feel free to bring your favourites as well!<br>This meeting will be in Pembroke's Leung Room on Staircase 18.   |
| 8 May  | Wednesday | 2nd Week | <a href="#">Pembroke</a>  | Discussion | Fairy tale retellings, led by Amelha. SF based on fairy tales, e.g. Katherine Arden's <i>Winternight</i> trilogy.  |
| 15 May | Wednesday | 3rd Week | <a href="#">Pembroke</a>  | Discussion | Designing fantasy creatures, led by Eck. Time to dust off your pith helmets, pack your binoculars, and break out the sketchpads, as we go exploring through the realms of fantasy! Join us for an evening of creating some weird and wonderful creatures from another world!   |
| 22 May | Wednesday | 4th Week | <a href="#">Pembroke</a>  | Discussion | SF plays, led by Olivia.   |
| 29 May | Wednesday | 5th Week | <a href="#">Pembroke</a>  | Video      | TV episodes: <a href="#">Star Trek: Short Treks</a> and <a href="#">Russian Doll</a> .   |
| 30 May | Thursday  | 5th Week | <a href="#">Worcester</a> | Quiz       | Oxford Geek Quiz — battle of wits and knowledge against WhoSoc, TolKSoc, HPSoc et al. Bring your own round of questions if you like (don't tell anyone the answers). 8pm, Nazrin Shah auditorium in Worcester College ( <a href="#">map</a> ; <a href="#">Details from WhoSoc</a> ).   |
| 5 Jun  | Wednesday | 6th Week | <a href="#">Pembroke</a>  | Discussion | SF character writing, led by Lyuba.  |
| 9 Jun  | Sunday    | 7th Week |                           | Punting    | Punt Party   |
| 12 Jun | Wednesday | 7th Week | <a href="#">Pembroke</a>  | Game       | Time to dust off your crossbows and break out your poker faces... this Wednesday OUSFG will be playing <b>Werewolf!</b> If you aren't already familiar with it, Werewolf is a silly and fiendish role-playing game similar to <i>Mafia</i> . A group of villagers are trying to track down some werewolves hiding in their midst; this involves logical deduction, shameless lying and backstabbing, and a lot of silliness. We'll explain the rules on the night or if you're very keen you can see them <a href="#">here</a> . |
| 19 Jun | Wednesday | 8th Week | <a href="#">Pembroke</a>  | Video      | <a href="#">Good Omens</a> .   |

We also plan to hold one or two Sunday Library Meetings.

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# The OUSFG Termcard

## Michaelmas Term 1998

Our meetings are on Wednesday and Sunday. Wednesdays are moderately structured: alternately video meetings, and discussion nights. We usually manage an author or so: this year the first four to be arranged have obligingly settled for Wednesdays too.

All Wednesday meetings happen in Ruth O'Reilly's room in [Balliol's](#) Jowett Walk (Tower 3 Room 7) - directions on request. All Sunday night meetings currently happen in Alex Williams' room in [LMH](#) (Old Old [*sic*] Hall 5). Author nights take place at special venues: this term in [Oriol](#) JCR annexe - take the far left exit from Oriol's first quad', then follow the second quad' around to the right, exiting through the long corridor, and the JCR annexe will be on your right in the third quad'.

Sunday nights are Library nights, when people may access our 2,000 or so fine tomes without just dropping by on our Librarian-President. This night is a chaotic social whirl, abetted by Crap Wine. The senior members of the society try out cheap wines to see if they are good deals after all, and the younger ones try to make them drinkable with anything from sugar to chili sauce.

### First week

Sat 10 Oct 14:30-19:00 Freshers' Party, Massey Room, Balliol  
Sun 11 Oct 20:00 or so Library Meeting, LMH Old Old Hall 5  
Wed 14 Oct 20:00 or so Tim Adye "Next Week's Talk" Balliol Jowett Tower 3 rm 7. Time Travel Talk.

### Second week

Sun 18 Oct evening Library Meeting, LMH Old Old Hall 5  
Wed 21 Oct evening X-Files Movie ("*Fight the Future*") & "*Brazil*", a legit print of the latter

### Third week

Sun 25 Oct evening Library Meeting, LMH Old Old Hall 5  
Wed 28 Oct evening President's Talk on Discordianism

### Fourth week

Sun 01 Nov evening Library Meeting, LMH Old Old Hall 5  
Wed 04 Nov evening **Sick night:** "*Bad Taste*" cult movie & a whole bunch of "*South Park*" cartoons.

### Fifth week

Sun 08 Nov evening Library Meeting, LMH Old Old Hall 5  
Mon 09 Nov evening **Bonus videos:** "*Gattaca*" & "*Strange Days*"  
Wed 11 Nov evening "*We Only Review Lit., not SF*": Jo Charman

### Sixth week

Sun 15 Nov evening Library Meeting, LMH Old Old Hall 5  
Wed 18 Nov 20:00 Guest Author: **Steve Baxter**, [Oriol](#) JCR annexe

### Seventh week

Sun 22 Nov evening Library Meeting, LMH Old Old Hall 5  
Wed 25 Nov 20:00 ~~Guest Author: Michael Marshall Smith, [Oriol](#) JCR annexe~~ - **cancelled**  
Something will be happening in Ruth's room.  
Sat 28 Nov 19:30 Christmas Party, LMH. Contact [Ian Snell](#) ([Oriol](#)) with money.

### Eighth week

Sun 29 Nov evening Library Meeting, LMH Old Old Hall 5  
Wed 02 Dec evening Silly Games Night, original & best

We also plan to cram in a weekend showing of all four Alien movies. We have available the Babylon 5 TV movies *In the Beginning* and *Thirdspace* for those of you keen on the program but not keen enough to shell out for the flicks.

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# Preliminary Termcard

## Trinity Term 1998

As last term, the Library is in Alex Williams' room in LMH and the video meetings are in Ruth O'Reilly's room in Balliol.

### FIRST WEEK

We've already had what was effectively a clique-only Library meeting on 26th, so we might have expunged all the in-jokes from our systems.

Wed 29th April: Video Meeting: \_Spawn\_ (Special Edition) and \_Lost Highway\_

### SECOND WEEK

Sun 3rd May: Library Meeting at LMH for chat, books and wine

Wed 6th May: LMH Discussion Meeting: Prez. Alex W on 50s Dating

### THIRD WEEK

Sun 10 May: Library Meeting at LMH for chat, books and wine

Wed 13 May: Video Meeting: \_From Dusk til Dawn\_ & some Simpsons

### FOURTH WEEK

Sun 17 May: Library Meeting at LMH for chat, books and wine

Wed 20 May: LMH Discussion Meeting: Tanaqui on something Hermetic

### FIFTH WEEK

Sun 24 May: Library Meeting at LMH for chat, books and wine

Wed 27 May: Video Meeting: \_Until the End of the World\_

### SIXTH WEEK

Sun 31 May: Library Meeting at LMH for chat, books and wine

Wed 03 Jun: LMH Discussion Meeting: 4, 7, 11 by Mr Nonsense

### SEVENTH WEEK

PUNT PARTY WEEK!

Sun 07 Jun: Library Meeting at LMH for chat, books and wine

Wed 10 Jun: Video Meeting: \_Photographing Fairies\_ and \_5th Element\_

Sat 13 Jun: RPGsoc having taken great pains to avoid a clash (which is much appreciated, ta folks), the OUSFG thespian outing and picnic will occur with no trauma bar the Great Punt Hunt... see our web site for the script of last year's "play" which featured Star Wars co-scripted with Crash. This year sees us trying not to incorporate Princesses and car crashes.

### EIGHTH WEEK

Sun 14 Jun: Library Meeting at LMH for punt party gossip and wine

Wed 17 Jun: Silly Games, choccie biccies and Archie's Anagrams

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# The OUSFG Termcard

## Hilary Term 1999

This is the preliminary schedule. Sundays are library meetings - these will be held in [Niall's room](#) in Magdalen's Longwall Street buildings, at 8:00. The exception to this is the first meeting - this Sunday - which starts in Alex's room then moves to Niall's room at about 9:30, so people can more easily find the room. Standard video meetings will hopefully be shown in Magdalen JCR TV room. Meet in the lodge at 8:00. If not, they will be in Ruth's room again. Bonus video meetings will be in Ruth's room, at 8:00.

### Wednesdays:

- 1st week: Videos - Blade Runner and Metropolis
- 2nd week: Discussion - Ruth on terraforming in SF
- 3rd week: Videos - Anime night
- 4th week: Discussion - Tom and Niall on nanotech and stuff, I think.
- 5th week: [Dave Langford](#), in Oriel JCR annexe
- 6th week: [Michael Marshall Smith](#), in Oriel JCR annexe
- 7th week: Videos - Something (can't remember) and Cube
- 8th week: [Phillip Pullman](#), in Oriel JCR annexe

**Sunday 7th week: AGM** - if you want to stand for a committee post, you need to nominate yourself, and get someone to second you. You also need a second if you want to modify the constitution.

**Saturday 7th week: Banquet** - probably in St Johns, probably costing somewhere in the region of twenty quid, black tie or something cool is the dress code, I think.

### Bonus videos:

- Monday 5th week: Mysterious Cities of Gold
- Monday 8th week: Wizard of Oz (with Pink Floyd), Reboot

Note - traditionally, the AGM has been the day after the banquet. This is changing this year, as else not all the committee can make it.

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# The OUSFG Termcard

## Michaelmas Term 1999

All meetings start at 8pm.

0th week

Saturday: Freshers' Drinks Party.

1st week

Sunday: Library meeting. Mike Froggat's room, St. John's.

Wednesday: Discussion meeting. St. Hilda's College, Lady Brodie Room.

Classics of SF. Think of your own sf classic, or just come to shoot down our choices.

2nd week

Wednesday: Video meeting, Magdalen JCR TV room. The Game and Small Soldiers.

3rd week

Wednesday: Discussion meeting, Hilda's. History of OUSFG. A bit of background info. Believe as much as you want.

4th week

Wednesday: Video meeting, Magdalen. Pi and Conspiracy Theory.

Saturday: Games day, late morning to late afternoon. Venue tba.

5th week

Wed: Discussion meeting. Wild Oats: The Human Diaspora.

6th week

Wed: Peter F. Hamilton, from 8pm in the Lady Brodie Room, Hilda's.

7th week

Wed: Discussion meeting. Pliable Past: Alternate Histories. The best (and probably worst) of what might have happened.

Saturday: Christmas Party, joint with RPGSoc. Talbot Hall, LMH, in the evening. Further details to follow.

8th week

Sunday: Silly Games in the library.

Wed: Videos. Pleasantville and Dark City.

Sat: Possible Prisonerthon.

The library is split between two rooms in St. John's College. We'll probably be basing meetings in Mike Froggat's room, using Dave Sheldon's room for overflow and access to that half of the books. Both rooms are in Tommy White Quad, which is the large one with sixties architecture and the bar. To reach it, go left in the front quad by the lodge, straight across the next quad, and down the covered passage in the corner. Mike's room is staircase 8, room 29, right at the very top. Dave's room is staircase 6, room 4.

St. Hilda's Lady Brodie Room is in the building opposite the gate (across the turning circle). Go up the stairs inside, and follow the signs.

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