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ALBACON '88

PROGRAMME NOTES

Welcome to the Albacoon 88 programme. We have once again tried to cater for as many SF tastes and interests as possible, and you will find that you will have to keep an eye on the whole programme in case you miss one item while you are at another. We have tried to have no more than two big programme items on at any one time.

Please familiarise yourself with the lay-out of the hotel and please note that programme events happen ONLY ON THE ENTRESOL FLOOR AND THE FIRST FLOOR. The other floors are out of bounds except to those who have accomodation with the hotel. Please also note the following safety points:

ALL WEAPONS, REAL, REPLICA AND TOY, ARE STRICTLY FORBIDDEN IN THE HOTEL EXCEPT WHEN APPROVED FOR FANCY DRESS. PLEASE ASK ONE OF YOUR COMMITTEE IF IN DOUBT.

PLEASE DO NOT PLAY WITH THE FIRE EXTINGUISHERS. THIS COULD COST LIVES.

PLEASE HAVE REGARD FOR HOTEL RESIDENTS WHO ARE NOT CONVENTION MEMBERS AND MAY WISH TO SLEEP, EAT, REST AND ENJOY A SIMPLE AND PEACEFUL EXISTENCE.

DON'T DRINK AND DRIVE, YOU'LL SPILL IT.

OBSERVE THE NO SMOKING AREAS OF THE HOTEL.

PLEASE ASK FOR THE CONVENTION MEDIC IF SOMEONE IS INJURED.

DON'T OVER DO IT AND SPOIL YOUR WEEKEND, THERE'S PLENTY FOR EVERYONE.

NOW READ ON FOR DETAILS OF THE PROGRAMME EVENTS. HAVE FUN!

MEAL MENUS AND SERVING TIMES AVAILABLE IN THE BAR.

FRIDAY

- 10.00am. Film. "MARS AND BEYOND". Walt Disney documentary from 1960.
- 1.00pm. "Bruce Saville's Guide to Glasgow". An audio/visual tour of the city.
- 3.00pm. "Mars Exploration". An illustrated panel/talk. Past, present & future.
- 5.00pm. "Collectors Panel". All the strange things that some people collect.
- 7.30pm. "The Committee's Welcome". Meet the people who make it all happen.
- 8.00pm. "Gaia, Humanity and Space". John Bonsor presents an illustrated talk on the Gaia terrestrial biosphere concept, humanity's relationship with Gaia, and the role of space science and technology in Gaian issues. Questions and discussion after the talk will be most welcome.
- 9.00pm. "Mars Bars". A very funny panel about booze and SF to wet your thirst.
- 10.30pm. "The Very Desperate Last Resort". The highlight of your Friday night as Iain Sorensen invites you to his chat show of facts, fun and scandal. With LIVE MUSIC BY C.J. CHERRYH.
- Midnight. "Horror Readings". John Jarrold. Iain Banks and others will chill.
- 1.00am. "Fan Films" Faircon Strikes Back, Raiders of the Lost Con, Con Runner.

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includes:

interviews with author RAMSEY CAMPBELL and artist/writer BRYAN TALBOT

TRASH THE MACHINE · short fiction.

Feature:

THIRD WORLD WAR Mills + Ezquerra's forthcoming comic concerning war on the Third World.

Book reviews · Film/TV reviews · Opinions · News · Blah blah blah usual stuff...

SATURDAY

- 11.00am. "New Writers Panel". C.J. Cherryh hosts a panel of new writers.
- Noon. "Fantastic and Incredible Stories Brought To You By The Sunday Sport". Prof. Heinz Wolff and TOP EXPERTS examine the facts of Alien Cheeseburgers etc.
- 1.00pm. "Hotel to Hotel". An illustrated talk on funding for our spaceplane.
- 1.00pm. "Book Viewing". A chance to see the rare material for Sunday auction.
- 2.30pm. "Space Tourism". An illustrated science talk by Ed Buckley.
- 5.00pm? "Living in the Greenhouse". Serious scientific panel with Prof. Wolff.
- 5.00pm. "The Albacon Memorabilia Auction". In aid of the blind. Rare items.
- 8.00pm. "Spot the Martian" A fun panel YOU can actually take part in.
- Midnight. "The Demolished Man". Bitching session for fans with nothing to do.
- Midnight. "The War of the Worlds". A chance to hear 1938 Orson Welles Broadcast. Please come dressed in 30s' costume if possible. In the Main Bar.

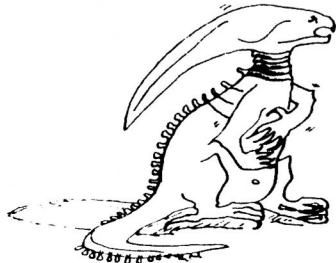
SUNDAY

- 2.00pm. "Don't Judge a Book By Its cover". Artists ask why SF covers are so bad
- 5.00pm. "The Great Egg Race" Pick up entry form and rules at membership desk.
- 10.30pm. "I Am Joe Fan's Liver". A humorous biology talk by Julian Headlong.
- Midnight. "The Very Last Call". An SF religious event to cleanse your soul.

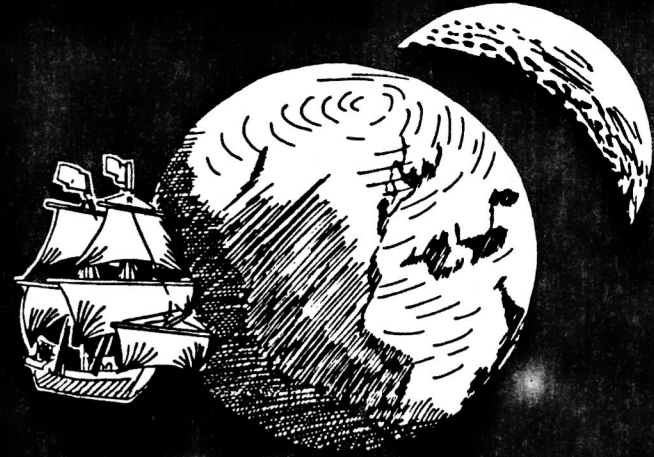
MONDAY

- Noon. "Subject to Change". A panel with C.J. Cherryh on creating SF aliens.
- 1.00pm. "Watch With Mother". A panel/quiz on that famous childrens programme.
- 3.00pm "Lowell Was Right". Panel discuss life on Mars with C.J. Cherryh.

It is with great regret and deep sorrow that we announce the tragic and untimely death of our friend John Campbell. John was was on many of our past convention committee's and worked hard as technical troubleshooter and gopher. His services will be greatly missed at Albacons. The Albacon Committee expresses its sincere sympathy to the Campbell family and to all friends.



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