

PROCLAMATION

The Newsletter of Reclamation, the 2022 Eastercon Issue 4: Sunday Afternoon

Report from the Bid Session

Conversation is the 2023 Eastercon to be held at an as yet to be agreed venue over 7-10 April.

Guests announced include:

- Zen Cho
- Niall Harrison
- Jennell Jaquays (virtual)
- Kari Sperring
- Adrian Tchaikovsky
- Ursula Vernon (virtual)

Initial rates are as follows:

Attending	£70
Low wage	£40
Virtual/Supporting	£35
Teen	£20/£10
Child	£5
Infant	(free)

Conversation will hold these rates until they have confirmed a site.

Voting Details

The vote was:

Conversation 148
Persistence 98
Abstain 16

For the first time, we combined in-person and virtual votes with 24 people voting via Discord. This was also the first lobby vote since 1989.

Come to the 2024 Bid Session

Due to the 2023 bid session overrunning, the 2024 bid session has been moved to 9:00am on Monday in Discovery. We know it's early in the morning, but please do come along—we are very excited to be sharing the details of our venue and our bid with you.

—Eastercon 2024 bid committee

Utter Drabble!

Have a major pseudo-scientific advance to announce but can't be bothered with all that writing? Then why not submit an (exactly) 100-word Drabble to Satellite Convention's next edition of *The Journal of PseudoScience*. Successful contributions will be published at Satellite 7 in May.

All submissions to the Satellite Convention desk (Syndicate room 5) or at seven.satellitex. org.uk/misc/pscience

-Michael Davidson

Arc Lamps: Original Steampunk

John Holden's display of arc lamps will be set up in the Aviator conference centre, outside the Armstrong room.

Jules Duboscq was a world class Parisian scientific instrument maker.

He made at least 509 carbon arc lamps between 1840 to 1885 and these were bought by the most renowned scientists

around the world. Then many moved into national science museum collections.

The Arc Lamp man has found one percent so far.

Can you make it two percent by taking part in this hunt to find another half dozen?

How to do it:

- 1) Log onto a national science museum, world class University or science research site from around the world.
- 2) Find the search collections part of the site. Filter for objects.
- 3) Search "Duboscq"
- 4) If you find one then send the picture and link to: johnholdeno7450@gmail.com

Happy hunting and can we find where another six lamps live?

—John Holden

The Sayings of Ops

Ops says "Please could everyone leave the restrooms in the state that you found them. This includes replacing the nappy changing table in the disabled loo."

Ops also says "Be careful of artwork and mirrors in the syndicate rooms and elsewhere around the convention."

Overheard in Newsletter

There's nothing quite so persistent as children looking for non-existent Lego dinosaurs in the Newsletter office.

Freebies for Children

Luna Press Publishing: Bring your little ones to the dealers (Bader) and pick a colouring book to celebrate with our artists!

-Luna Press

Park Run

Happy runners demonstrating that glow of good health!



Feedback session

Once again, there was little feedback at the session in Bleriot at 9:00 am, though a number of people had good things to say about the hotel staff. It was pointed out that having the Feedback Session at the same time as the Sunday Morning Worship was not helpful, but if we have Feedback at 8:00am there would be a lot more complaints.

Remember that the Monday session will be your last chance for feedback on this convention and your first opportunity to make requests of next year's committee.

—Steve Davies

TAFFing Through Britain

TAFF delegate "Orange Mike" Lowrey hopes to come back to the UK for the last leg of his 2020 visit. He's hoping to arrive in Glasgow on Monday the 25th and work his way south to London to catch a plane back on Saturday. If any Glaswegians, Brummies or Mancunians might be willing to host him and/or to arrange for him to meet with local fans in pubs, clubhouse, subterraneans lairs, union halls or whatever, please approach him during the remainder of the con. He's also on Facebook (Michael Lowrey) and checking his e-mail (orangemike@ gmail.com). He's cheap to feed and amenable to any sofa, futon or pile of cushions you might offer. (Non-smoker, nondrinker, no allergies and likes kiddos; can subsist on Irn Bru and crisps in a pinch.)

—Michael Lowrey

MJ Simpson Says

MJ Simpson wishes it to be known that, although he will be departing at lunchtime on Monday, anyone who wishes to see more of his unique style, including the unexpurgated version of his moustache, can do so by tuning into the TV quiz Lightning on BBC2 at 6:30pm on Monday evening.

Madeirinhas

Fandom love-bombed Heathrow's Portuguese restaurant last night. Well worth a visit, but you definitely need to book if you're thinking of going.

More stuff for children

The Parent & Child room is available in room 1406 (off the Syndicate room crossroads - there are signs). Duplo and a quiet space if you or your kid need it.

The Original Dropped Pin

In 1784 General Roy had to lay out a baseline for his Triangulation of Britain. He chose a 5 mile route across



Hounslow Heath, measured by chains, then glass rods aligned to 1/1000th of an inch.

The start point of the survey, a milestone in science, is only 400yds from the hotel by the airport perimeter road. Geek delight! Settle.kept.snake and spicy.twice.palace (look at WhatThreeWords if this doesn't make sense to you —Ed).

—John Bray

Them's Fighting Words!

In A Nice Cup Of... (Bleriot, 12:00 noon) it transpired that deep and meaningful debate about real world issues generates a mere fraction of the energy displayed when fans are asked which tea is best for dunking.

And that's not even going near the question of which biscuit.

—Wendrie

[Chocolate HobNobs—Ed.]

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