

COMPETITIONS

For XIIcon we are running two competitions.

1) a photographic competition.
The idea is for the photograph to show exactly what a convention is. It could be a fun photograph showing silly games at a con, a fancy dress item, fans in the bar, whatever. In short, anything you think is appropriate. Please note that we want prints only.

Please send your photographs to....Bruce Saville, 9 Regent St, Greenock. Enclose a sae.

2) art competition.
We would like to see some examples of a skiffy Roman legionaire as seen in this PR in the drawings by Kevin Gallagher, and the cover by Jim Gallagher. send your entries to M.J.Meenan, Burnawn, Stirling Rd, Dumbarton, G82 2PJ.



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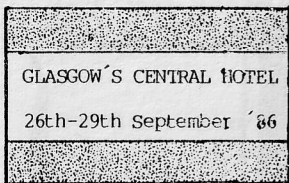
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PROGRESS 3

GLASGOW CENTRAL HOTEL
SEPTEMBER 26th-29th



PROGRESS REPORT 3

Harry Harrison

David Brin

This is it folks! The last progress report before the con. Inside you will find all the details you'll need to get here, pay for membership, book a hotel room, help in the running of the con or plan out your weekend in advance. Please note that the Theatre and Concert Rail Travel forms enclosed should be sent out promptly to ensure receipt of your reduced rate rail tickets in time for the con. We are very grateful to Theatre and Concert for once again providing such a useful service to our members.

We have just about got the programme together and we have included a provisional listing of it in the next few pages. As you can see there are still some spaces for programme items, so if you have a wonderful item/idea you would like to share with other like-minded lunatics, let us know! (We are particularly interested in ideas from people who have come from some distance away.)

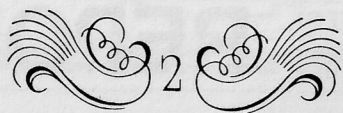
Our apologies to Ridley Scott fans as we were unable to get LEGEND but I am sure that the film programme will have something for everyone. Films so far confirmed include - FIRESTARTER, LADYHAWKE, FORBIDDEN PLANET, DUNE, PHANTOM OF THE PARADISE, DAY THE EARTH STOOD STILL and YOU'LL FIND OUT. There will be other films during the weekend and on the Friday night we will be holding a Rocky Horror party as the film is not being screened in the Main Programme. In conjunction with the Glasgow Film Theatre, there will be a special screening of SOYLENT GREEN on the Friday afternoon/evening of the Con followed by a talk by Harry Harrison at the cinema

The Glasgow Herald Newspaper will be throwing a party on the Friday night to launch a new series of books by local author, (and Professor of Astronomy), Archie Roy. Everyone is welcome.

I should also mention that the membership rate will be going up at the door as usual but supporting fans should only pay the balance appropriate at the time of payment. May we also remind fans that we cannot guarantee a receipt for memberships sent to us in the week prior to the Con.

Well, it'll be all right on the night, I hope. See y'all at the Con.

Cuddles xxx



XIIcon - The Action Highlights by Bruce Saville

Hello there, armchair fans. Well we have had a great summer's viewing of events from our armchairs. First we had the world cup, then Wimbledon, Open Golf, the Royal Wedding, the commonwealth games, the European games as well as all that lovely cricket. So let me be the first to tell you of another great event coming up. XIIcon. Just peruse this list of some of the more interesting, unusual or funny events occurring over the weekend's programme.

FRIDAY

Our GoH Harry Harrison first appears on the space panel 'Halfway to Anywhere'. Later on in the evening is a quiz game based on the TV show 'Winner takes All' where our answer to Jimmy Tarbuck, Eamonn Patton, will get you to gamble your answers. Jimmy, sorry, Eamonn (his jokes are just as funny!) needs 4 contestants to participate in this.

Late on Friday it's party time. Unconfirmed as yet, we are hoping to have the launch of a new line of books by Archie Roy sponsored by the Glasgow Herald. Definitely confirmed, though, is the Rocky Horror party at 10 pm. Come dressed as whoever or whatever you like. Punch will be provided by 'Mad Mark' Meenan. (See Sat night).

SATURDAY

The morning sees the Book Review Panel. Instead of reviewing the latest releases, though, the panellists will have the pleasure of reviewing their favourite (or least favourite) books. Find out if it is true that one of the panellists has a penchant for Rambo books!

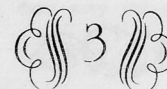
Following that, another group of intrepid (or should that be tepid?) panellists discuss the concept of 'The Orbiting Hotel'. Imagine a con bar in zero-G; the GoH speech in a helium atmosphere; and what about the toilets!!!

Harry Harrison's GoH speech is on the Saturday afternoon. There is little I can say about this other than that he is a witty and entertaining speaker and if there are any 'must see' events over the weekend then this is one of them.

The evening kicks off with 'Giant Blow Football'. Your commentator and referee, (who sometimes doubles for Jimmy Hill and Brian Moore), is Pat MacLennan. Pat is looking for a variety of sporty types to try this. Don't worry, we'll provide the puff for the big blows.

The Fancy Dress Competition takes place between 8 and 10 pm. Anne Page is running this so all contestants should inform her of their requirements. (Please note...there will be a pun category in this event!!)

Saturday night goes out with a bang with 'Mad Mark's Cocktail Hour and silly party'. The cocktail hour is a competition open to all and sundry. All you have to do is identify the contents of Mark's cocktails; a very cheap way of having a good time. (Also here is the worst tie competition.)



SUNDAY

Sunday opens with 'The Fermi Paradox' where David Brin will be among the panellists discussing the concept recently publicised by Duncan Lunan in Analog.

An hour later Harry Harrison appears on the programme with 'Dicks in Space'. An amusing hour as Harry and the other panellists discuss various people called Richard who have been in space. No, actually its about the murky world where the detective genre and SF meet.

One hour later and our very own Cuddles presents the Media Quiz with Jette Goldie. This promises to be a good, hard challenge of a quiz.

David Brin's Guest speech occurs this afternoon. David has risen rapidly in SF circles in recent years and we are sure you will realize why after hearing him speak.

When you register for the convention you will be asked a few questions. This is actually the preliminary round of 'The Ultraquiz' which all convention members take part in. If you make it to the final you will meet Alan 'Rambo' Blair who will be running the event. A few pointers on how to influence Alan; he likes Sylvester Stallone and anyone calling him Bimbo is unlikely to win.

Late at night we have the Custard Pie quiz. This a rematch of the last quiz we held and the winning team from Albacon 85 will take on a team which will include 3 or 4 of the committee. This may be just a little messy.

The Turkey Buffet also happens tonight. A great success at Albacon III, Bill Morris returns with all of the worst in everything. The show that is definitely in bad taste. Bill will be assisted in this monument to Man's excess by Chris O'Kane. (This time we might even have the turkey sandwiches!!)

Further into the night we have THE event. All the committee will be at it, and we hope that you will turn up for it. Yes, it's the 'Dr. V works your body' show. Vince has been waiting all year to force the committee into impossible positions as he pushes them, and anyone else who wants to, through a series of excruciating exercises and games.

MONDAY

Two panels of interest today are the Amateur Space Flight panel with our guests and 'The Science in SF' panel with David Brin. These take place between the business meeting and "DUNE".

Well, those are just a few of the things to look forward to. Of course there are films, various talks and panels, plus a host of other things out-with the programme to enjoy. A nice little package, I think, to satisfy all armchair fans everywhere. In fact it may well be good enough to entice some of you to come to the actual event and experience it 'live'. You know, see the event, hear the sounds, experience the atmosphere, attend the bar.

Hope you have a good time.

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FRIDAY

12.00-2.00 Film: "THE DAY THE EARTH STOOD STILL"
 2.00-3.00 Panel: FILM REVIEW
 3.00-4.00 Talk: HANGLIDERS GUIDE TO THE GALAXY
 4.00-5.00 Talk: Dr WHO
 5.00-6.00 Panel: 1/2 WAY TO ANYWHERE?
 6.00-7.40 Film: "FIRESTARTER"
 7.40-8.00 COMMITTEE'S WELCOME

9.00-10.00 Quiz: WINNER TAKES ALL 8.00-10.00 APOGEE BOOKS LAUNCH PARTY
 10.00-Late Film: "LADYHAWKE" 10.00-Late ROCKY HORROR PARTY
 Film: "RETURN OF THE JEDI"

SATURDAY

10.00-12.00 Film: "FORBIDDEN PLANET"
 12.00-1.00 Panel: BOOK REVIEW
 1.00-2.00 Talk: THE ORBITING HOTEL
 2.30-4.30 GoH SPEECH, HARRY HARRISON
 4.30-7.00 Film: "INDIANA JONES & THE TEMPLE OF DOOM" 6.00-7.00 GIANT BLOW FOOTBALL
 8.00-10.00 FANCY DRESS 7.00-8.00 COMICS PANEL
 10.00-11.00 Film: The TROUT MOVIES!!
 11.00-Late Film: "DUNE" 11.00-Late COCKTAIL PARTY
 Film: "FIRESTARTER"

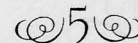
SUNDAY

11.00-12.00 Panel: FERMI PARADOX
 12.00-1.00 Panel: DICKS IN SPACE
 1.00-2.00 MEDIA QUIZ
 2.00-3.00 CARTOON HOUR 2.00-3.00 Panel: WINGS IN SPACE
 3.00-5.00 GUEST SPEECH, DAVID BRIN
 5.00-6.00 AUCTION 5.00-6.00 SIGNING SESSION
 6.00-7.00 Quiz: ULTRAQUIZ FINAL 6.00-7.00 MAKE A DATE
 7.00-8.00 Game: LIFEBOAT
 8.00-10.00 Film: "RETURN OF THE JEDI"
 10.00-11.30 Film: A Turkey!!!! 10.30-11.30 CUSTARD PIE QUIZ
 11.30-1.00 Party: TURKEY BUFFET
 1.00-3.00 Film: "PHANTOM OF PARADISE" 1.00-2.00 Game: Dr V WORKS YOUR BODY

MONDAY

11.00-12.00 BUSINESS MEETING
 12.00-1.00 Panel: AMATEUR SPACE-FLIGHT
 1.00-2.00 Panel: SCIENCE IN SF
 2.00-4.30 Film: "DUNE"
 4.30-5.30 Talk: WAVERIDER UPDATE
 5.30-6.00 COMMITTEE'S FAREWELL AND Dr V's POSTMORTEM
 6.00- Film: "LADYHAWKE"
 Film: "PHANTOM OF PARADISE"
 Film: Most Popular repeats.

This programme is subject to change and is to be considered in no way definite, some of the films have not been confirmed as yet but we will obtain replacements for any we can't get.



GOPHERS

We always need people willing to help on the day. We call them gophers, (because they go-fer-this and go-fer-that all through the weekend). In return for all this hard work we give them a badge which identifies them to all and sundry, and leaves them open to demands of help from anyone who needs it. Now isn't that a far deal? If anyone would like an inside view of the chaos involved in running a con, this is an excellent way to start. Those of you interested should write to M.J.Meenan, Burnawn, Stirling Rd, Dumbarton, G82 2PJ. and we will add your name to the gopher list.

DEALERS

Any dealers wishing tables should book them soon as we only have a few left. The Dealers room will be the Carradale, (the Dealers room of Albacon 84 and before). The cost is £8 per table, to a maximum of six. the carradale can hold up to 36 tables comfortably, and we hope to use this quota entirely.

ADVERTISING

We welcome anyone wishing to advertise in our programme book. Adverts should be A4 size photo-ready, 1/2 tones should be dot-screened. The fan-rate is at 20% discount. All ad's should be sent to M.J.Meenan, 'Burnawn', Stirling Rd, Dumbarton, G82 2PJ.

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1/4 page	£ 7
1/2 page	£13
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inside cover	£30



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