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## Introduction

This is the first PR for Connote8, the eighth Unicon, to be held in Cambridge in the summer of 1987. After a hard fought battle against the sternest of opposition at Consept, we have been working long into the night (the hour is so small I can hardly see it) to bring the convention to life. Already we have been discussing the need for providing direct signposted routes to Cambridge from every major city in the northern hemisphere and the exchange rate for everything from pounds to triclinic flooglebeads has been negotiated. But these facts are of little importance to you, the member, so will be ignored for the rest of the PR.

#### When and Where

Connote8 will take place from the 3rd to 5th of July 1987 in New Hall, Cambridge.

This was the site of Camcon (Unicon6) so has some experience in handling university conventions. We hope to capitalise on this experience and use what was learned from Camcon as a basis of further negotiation with the college. New Hall is a modern college that was built in the 1960s and won several awards for architecture when it was first built. It is rumoured that the design was originally intended for the Shah of Persia's prestiege university, that was to be built in what is now Iran at the same time. However, it was built in Cambridge, which bears only a passing resemblance to Iran, particularly when it comes down to temperature. One of the major criticisms of Camcon was how cold it was in New Hall in September. Certainly the college design doesn't make things any better but we feel that a July convention is less likely to suffer with problems from the cold. We have also ascertained that there are electric heaters cunningly hidden in every room just in case. So we hope that the cold won't be a problem. We are also negotiating with the college about room rates, bar times etc. More details in the next PR.

#### <u>Contact Address</u>

Please send any correspondence to:-

Connote8, Trinity College, Cambridge, CB2 1TQ.

### Money Matters

ATTENDING MEMBERSHIP £8.00 SUPPORTING MEMBERSHIP £4.00

Please make all cheques payable to Connote8. The room rate is still under negotiation but is likely to be about £17.50 per night .

Cover SJB 1986 with apologies to Hoffnung. This is an SJB production, ably assisted by CRLS and SAL.

### Guest of Honour

The Guest of Honour at Connote8 will be Geraldine Harris. Authoress of the Seven Citadels series, Geraldine is very much a local Guest having graduated into writing from Jomsborg, the Cambridge fantasy society. The books in the series are:-

Prince of the Godborn The Children of the Wind The Dead Kingdom The Seventh Gate

All published by Unicorn and currently in press. As well as this series she has written another fantasy novel - White Crane's Castle. She is currently working on a science fiction novel and has also published a book on Egyptian mythology (Gods and Pharoahs from Egyptian Mythology). We think she will make an interesting and different Guest of Honour.

#### <u>Programme</u>

As 1987 will be dominated by the Worldcon, we are hoping to make Connote8 a much more relaxed affair to give people a rest from the impending August bank holiday traumas. We hope to include the usual mixture of talks, panels, silly games, films and other Unicon regulars (food tasting etc.). However we have a few new ideas of our own to try out and we are always willing to hear suggestions from the members. But be warned, if your suggestion is good you might end up running it!

One of the ideas that we are currently working on is a quiz game based around comics rather than the written SF/films which dominate present games. If anybody is interested in taking part in this (or in helping to organise it!) please contact us. We are also trying to get speakers from the university and elsewhere to complement the usual convention programme items. More will be revealed as the time of the convention approaches.

### The Committee (or perhaps The Committed)

In no particular order unless you want to read one into it.

Mike Abbott - Chairman (he started it and it's his can of worms) Steve Linton - The Godfather (Organisation, what Organisation) Karen Naylor - Speaker to College (for that is her Forte (Trust House?)) Steve Bull - Citizen Kane (you want to buy some cheap PRs?) Colin Fine - Official Swami (no description needed) Jonathan Coxhead - Committee writer (this is adapted from his script) Vicki King - Real world writer (talker to institutions) Phil Nanson - Chief Post Office Assassin (and obtainer of many things......) Ruth Le Sueur - CUSFS liason (spelling checker and general dogsbody)

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The advertising deadlines	are:-
PR2	December 12th
PR3	March 1st
Programme Book	June 1st

### Membership List

These are the memberships current to 20-10-86. Presupporters of CONTAB were given supporting membership of Connote8 as we used their money to set up the bid. (C) - Committee (A) - Attending membership (S) - Supporting Membership

10	Jonathan Coxhead	004	D' 1 111 1					
		28A	Richard Meehan	44A	Rhodri James	60A	Paul Dormer	
20	Steve Bull	29A	John Botham	45S	Mike Figg	61A	Peter Wareham	
30	Vicki King	305	Mike Christie		Marcus Streets		Trevor Barker	
	Ruth Le Sueur	315	Mike Damesick		Alan Braggins		Zoe Deterding	
5C	Steve Linton	32A	Steve Davies		Neil Taylor		Michael Sandy	
6C	PPL Nanson	33A	Bernie Peek		Ken Lake		Gwen Funnell	
70	Mike Abbott	34A	Kathy Westhead		Jan Lake	66A		
8C	Colin Fine		Mike Westhead		Dave Ellis		Peter Smith	
20S	Graham Ruston		Ken Slater		Andrew Kelly		John Dallman	
21A	Dave Rowley		Joyce Slater		Roger Robinson		Concentral environmental en el	•
	Joy Hibbert		Phil Allcock		Dee Hutchison		Steve Rothman	
	Peter Cohen		Alison Scott				Roger Perkins	
	Julian Headlong		Mike Scott		Pete Hutchison	71S	Susan Francis	
	Simon Middleton				Phil Spencer	72S	Pompino the Kregoyne	
			Stephanie Bell	57S	Caroline Mullan	73A	Dave Turtle	
		42S	Alex Stewart	58S	Andy Robertson	74A	Matthew Faupel	
27S	Brian Ameringen	43S	Peter F Thompson	59S	Barbara Conway		Lawrence Barker	