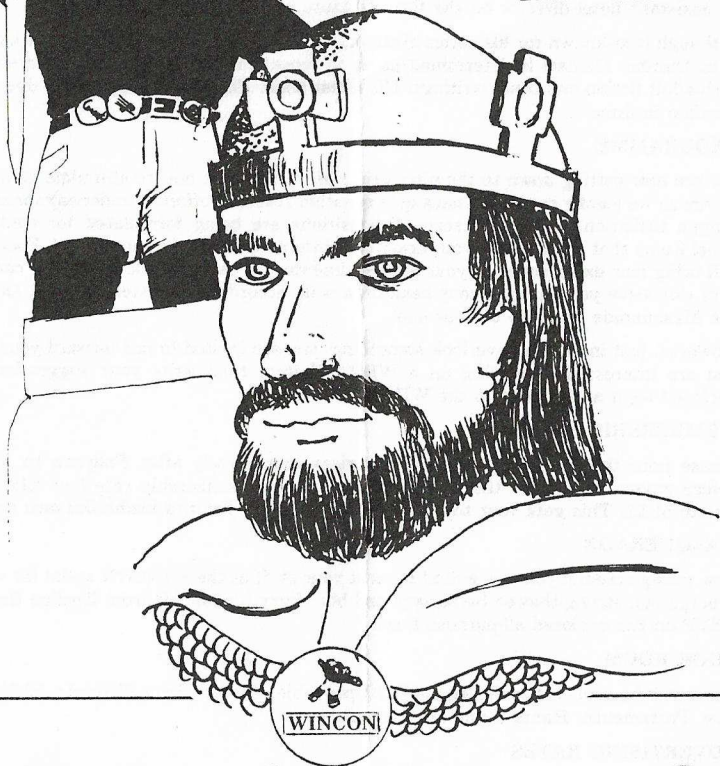


◦ WINCON ◦



PR2



◦ Unicorn 9 ◦

King Alfred's College ◦ Winchester

Welcome to Progress Report 2 of WINCON (Unicon 9). Our plans are now shaping up nicely, with a varied main programme and a strong film programme on the drawing board. In PR1 we carried a short feature on our first confirmed guest, PATRICK TILLEY. Here we introduce, with great pleasure, our other guest...

MICHAEL DE LARRABEITI

It's traditional for writers to sport a list of unusual professions on their book jackets. Michael de Larrabeiti has had the kind of experiences for which others would happily trade their souls (or in the last resort, their word processors). He's been a tourist guide in the Dordogne, photographer on the Marco Polo motorcycle expedition to Afghanistan (before the hippies and the Red Army made it fashionable) an itinerant shepherd in Provence and an assistant hotel director on the Cote D'Azure.

Although best-known for his series about the *Borribles*, who are to Peter Pan what Rambo is to Dumbo, Michael is determined never to repeat himself, alternating children's books with adult fiction and other writings. His latest book, *The Provencal Tales* is due out from Pavilion in June.

PROGRAMME

We are now getting down to the nitty-gritty of working out how to stimulate as many bits of you as we legally can. A massive quiz question research effort is underway for tip-of-the-tongue titillation on an epic scale. Propositions are being formulated for controversial panel items that could shock your brain cells into new levels of awareness. A Food Tasting will bring new experiences to your entire alimentary canal. Music items will caress your ears - or leave you banging your head on a wall, according to taste. And just think what the Masquerade could do to your ego.

However, just in case we overlook something, you are invited to put forward your ideas. If you are interested in putting on a WINCON item then write your suggestion on the enclosed form and send it to the WINCON address.

MEMBERSHIP RATES

Please note that attending membership rises immediately after Follycon to £10. And, before anyone else asks, there is a special soft toy membership rate (our Chairbear insisted) of £1. This gets your toy onto the membership list and his/her/its own badge.

MASQUERADE

Yes, masqueraders, you are invited to strut your stuff at the WINCON social for vampires, cyberpunks, strong-thewed barbarians and blue furry humanoids from Epsilon Eridani III. RSVP on the enclosed all-purpose form.

BOOK ROOM

Space will be available to dealers at £5.00 per table. Contact John Richards, 59 North End Ave, Portsmouth, Hants if you are interested.

ADVERTISING RATES

To advertise in PR3 or the Programme Book, please send camera-ready copy (A4 for reduction to A5) to the WINCON address. Rates are as follows:

PR3: Page: £4 Half Page: £2 Quarter Page: £1

Programme Book: Page £8 Half Page: £4 Quarter Page: £2

These are fan rates. Professional rates are double.

Deadlines:

PR3: 30th April

Programme Book: 1st July

FOOD...

The room rates include breakfast which runs from 8.00am to 10.30am. We will have sandwiches and rolls available while the Union bar is open.

There are some very good restaurants plus the usual fast-food places within 10 minutes' walk of the college.

If however you have a strong wish to eat main meals on the premises, then you must let us know by the 30th of April. The college wants us to tell them in advance how many will require meals and we will have to make arrangements for the sale and collection of meal tickets. So if not enough people have declared an interest by the 30th, main meals will NOT be provided.

To help you decide whether you do wish to eat in the student canteen, a typical menu would be: Tomato Soup, Quiche Salad or Brazing Steak, Creamed Potatoes, Broccoli, Macedoine and Apricot Sponge'n'custard or Ice Cream at £2.70 (Lunch, no coffee). Evening meal would be £3.05 (including coffee). If you feel tempted then please let us know using the enclosed form.

... AND DRINK

The Union bar offers two of the most sought-after beverages at any convention: fresh orange juice on tap and a real ale (Marstons Pedigree). There is also an unreal beer, lagers and cider. For those who wish to venture further afield, Winchester is blessed with a satisfactorily large number of fine old pubs.

CRECHE

Arrangements for a creche of course depend on demand. Please use the enclosed form to let us know whether you would want to use one, and whether you would be prepared to participate in running it.

ART SHOW

We expect to be able to provide a suitable area for an Art Show. Please indicate on the form if you are interested in taking part.

NEXT YEAR'S UNICON

We have already heard from one group interested in running UNICON 10 - Queen's University, Belfast. If there is anybody else out there who would like to contest for this privilege, please write to: Peter Cohen, 16 Greenhill Close, Winchester, Hants.

MESSAGE IN A BATH TUB - THE WINCON QUIZ

1. Which book was found floating in a glass bottle in space?
2. Which book was found in the form of clay tablets during the excavation of Knossos?
3. Which series of books were narrated across the Solar system telepathically to their "editor" on the island of Oahu?
4. Which series of books are delivered to the home of a New England lawyer by agents of an alien race?
5. Which book was discussed during "the International Historical Association Convention which took place at the University of Denay, Nunavit on June 25, 2195"?
6. Which series of books form part of the "Avian Apocrypha"?

MEMBERSHIP LIST as of 27/2/88

(a)attending (s)supporting (g)guest (c)committee (t)toy

Mike Abbott	(s)	057	Annette Lotz	(s)	072
Philip Allcock	(a)	061	Joe McNally	(s)	069
Brian Ameringen	(a)	041	Peter Mabey	(a)	045
John Bark	(c)	002	Amanda Marriot	(a)	054
Trevor Barker	(a)	065	Kari Maund	(a)	038
Michael Bernardi	(a)	073	Rob Meades	(a)	080
John Botham	(a)	032	Andy Morris	(a)	024
Steve Bull	(a)	070	Eckhard Morwitz	(a)	075
Mike Cheater	(c)	003	Steve Mowbray	(s)	087
Peter Cohen	(c)	004	Caroline Mullan	(a)	020
Chuck Connor	(s)	042	Chris O'Shea II	(a)	066
Ric Cooper	(a)	051	Alexander Perry	(s)	022
Keith D Cosslett	(a)	012	Phil Plumbley	(c)	007
Jonathan Coxhead	(a)	078	Norman Plumpton	(a)	079
Mark Craske	(a)	085	Larry van der Putte	(a)	151
Paul M Cray	(a)	058	John Richards	(c)	008
Andy Croft	(a)	056	A W Robertson	(a)	151
Jackie Crooks	(a)	052	Roger Robinson	(a)	011
Neville Crooks	(a)	053	Stephen Rothman	(a)	035
Rafe Culpin	(a)	036	Marcus L Rowland	(a)	014
John Dallman	(a)	076	Dave Rowley	(c)	009
Steve Davies	(a)	039	Geoff Ryman	(s)	084
Zoe Deterding	(a)	064	Michael Sandy	(a)	049
Paul Dormer	(a)	044	Alison Scott	(a)	074
Elvie	(a)	092	Joyce Slater	(a)	015
Colin Fine	(a)	026	Ken Slater	(a)	016
Syd Foster	(a)	091	Peter Smith	(a)	086
Susan Francis	(a)	082	Phil Spencer	(a)	037
Gwen Funnell	(a)	019	James Steel	(s)	069
Brian Garrod	(s)	048	Alex Stewart	(s)	027
Jennifer Glover	(a)	093	John Stewart	(a)	090
Steven Glover	(a)	094	Mike Stone (Nor)	(a)	097
Mike Gould	(a)	017	Marcus Streets	(a)	062
Philip Groves	(a)	089	John Styles	(a)	077
Maria Hamilton	(s)	023	Gill Taylor	(a)	067
Jackie Hawkins	(s)	028	Neil Taylor	(a)	047
Julian Headlong	(a)	049	Little Ted	(t)	068
Lee Hendley	(a)	095	Guinness Thanks	(t)	001
Joy Hibbert	(c)	006	Paul Thorley	(a)	088
Valerie Housden	(a)	059	Tibs	(s)	030
Tim Illingworth	(a)	043	Patrick Tilley	(g)	
Wilf James	(s)	081	Ivan Towlson	(s)	025
Jane Killick	(a)	096	Richard Vine	(s)	083
Pompingo the Kregovne	(a)	021	Peter Wareham	(a)	018
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Patrick A Lawford	(a)	040	Kathy Westhead	(s)	033
Ruth Le Sueur	(a)	071	Mike Westhead	(s)	034
Steve Linton	(s)	046	Steve White	(a)	055
			Paul Winship	(s)	013
			Dianna Wynne Jones	(a)	031