

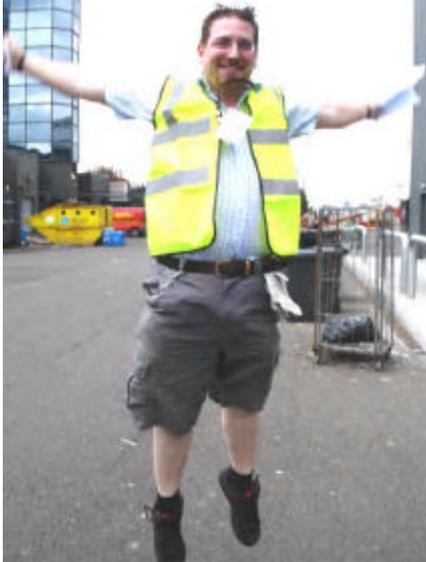


The Port Authority

News at Interaction

Editorial Team: Lilac

Dateline: Thursday 14:00



James Bacon hears the news that the police are cool about the Yafa explosives

Newsletter Teams

There are four Newsletter Teams bringing you The Port Authority. They can be identified by the colour of the newsletter and the name in the masthead.

Team Lilac is edited by John and Fran Dowd and has produced this issue.

Team Blue is led by Jan Van t'Ent and Zara Baxter.

Team Green has an American flavour with Mike Nelson as editor.

Team Yellow with Wilf James at the helm completes the list.

We hope that this will produce an interesting variety of flavours of newsletter with something for everyone.

Convention Guide Map Error

The map shows a rail link between Queen St and Central stations. Although it would be useful, no such link exists.

Best wishes

"I am so sorry not to be able to deliver this message in person, as I am truly grateful for all the support that I have received from fantasy fans over the years, and was thrilled to receive the Hugo in 2001. I hope you have a wonderful conference and an inspiring time in Scotland."

J. K. Rowling

Come Dancing

We're having a Ceilidh in the Hilton on Saturday night. If you've never been to a traditional Scottish Ceilidh, and would like to practice come to our class in Argyll-3 at 6 pm Thursday and learn a few steps.

Hang on to your stuff

Please do not leave any bags (back-packs, holdalls etc) lying unattended within the SECC concourse or halls. With the present situation this could cause alarm and your bags are liable to be removed.

If you see an unattended bag and asking within the immediate area does not identify an owner, please speak to a member of convention operations or an SECC staff member.

Pagan Social Moot Tonight!

Glasgow has a thriving pagan community, and tonight pagans who have come to WorldCon are welcome to join some of us this evening for a relaxed social gathering with members of the local moots. This is an opportunity to talk to pagans you'd otherwise never get the chance to meet. All pagans, whatever their tradition, are welcome to

join us, whether for the whole evening or only a part of it.

This informal gathering will take place in the Quarter Deck Bar of the Moat House (outside the Con space so local pagans who aren't Con members can join us) from 6:30pm onwards.

If you want any further information, ask DC or Jean (often to be found at the Info Desk).

Gamerz Premiere update

Gamerz is a new full length comedy movie from Scotland – an engaging love triangle with a strong twist of fantasy. The premiere of the movie will take place at 8 pm this evening in the Lomond Suite. We have 310 tickets to give away to members, for both the film and the preceding reception which will be held in the SECC Concourse from 6.30. This is your chance to come along and join the cast, crew and press for this event, and enjoy a free drink and entertainment!

Tickets will be given out first come, first served from the Information Desk in the Departure Lounge (SECC Hall 2) from 3 pm. We will also be showing the film again later in the weekend for those who cannot get in to the premiere.

If you need to talk

We are told that the best deal in town for a mobile phone is a Motorola C115 from Carphone Warehouse with service by T-Mobile. Total price is £19.99 which includes £10 of call credit. However, ask the salesman about Mate's Rates which allows cheap calls to other T-Mobile numbers.

Party On

During the evening parties at the Hilton, the Hilton will be selling real ale. The Foyer bar will be opening at 7:30 pm on Thursday night. There will be a variety of beers on tap and in bottles. The Hilton will also be running some special sales of their beer and some other drinks as well, so take advantage of it.

The bar will also be open until 3:00 am on the Interaction party nights (Thursday - Sunday).

One very important reminder: Any food or drink that is given out by parties must stay on the 1st and 2nd floors. It cannot be taken down to the lobby level. Food or drink purchased from the Hilton may be taken anywhere within the hotel.

WSFS Business Deadline

The deadline for submitting new proposals for this year's WSFS Business Meeting is 18:00 Thursday. To submit a proposal, bring 200 copies of the proposal (including an original signed by at least two members of Interaction) to Con Ops and ask them to put it in Pat McMurray's mailbox, or give the copies to Pat McMurray in person, before the deadline.

The Preliminary WSFS Business Meeting will be 10:00 in the Forth Room (Armadillo). Every member of the World con may attend, debate, and vote on changes to the WSFS Constitution. Tea and coffee will be provided thanks to a grant from No-reascon 4/MCFI in memory of long-serving WSFS Secretary George Flynn.

Restaurants closed

The Crème de la Crème and the Havana (no. 48 in the Convention Guide) are now closed.

First food of the day

Many of Interaction's hotels offered both Room Only (RO) and Bed & Breakfast (B&B) options. If you selected the RO option, ate breakfast in the hotel restaurant, and were asked for either simply your room number or signature, you will be charged the hotel's regular price for breakfast (which can be quite high).

The difference between the RO rate and the B&B rate is usually less than or equal to the cost of two breakfasts. If you selected the RO option and would like to convert to the B&B rate, please check with the front desk of your hotel to see if they have offer a B&B option.

The Hilton was one of the hotels that did not offer a B&B option. They plan to offer a special £9.50 breakfast during Interaction.

Thai Siam Restaurant

Two recommendations for the Thai Siam (ConVention Guide page 115) at 1191 Argyle Street: Nice décor, tasty food, friendly service. Most of the dishes are on the mild side [unless you ask]. Recommendation for spice addicts: try the larb. Good vegetarian options too.

Not Out of (Good) Beer Yet

On Wednesday night many pints of real ale were poured at the fan room in the Moat House. One cask was completely emptied, leaving seventeen to go. This was not bad for an initial effort, but fans should know that Kelburn Brewing will make additional deliveries during the convention.

Alison Scott tells us that the Fan Room has custody of the

real ale and has programming related to fandom. The Fan Room is in the Moat House and is only a 30 second walk from the SECC if you know the secret passage.



How To Kafeeklatsch

A chance to meet your favourite author, but you have to follow some simple rules.

You must sign up in advance. Go to the information desk in Hall 2 ("H" on page 9 of the book). You have to do this in person, not by proxy. Sign up sheets open 24 hours ahead of the corresponding klatsch, and stay open until it has nine names or one hour before.

There's a list of klatsches in the introduction page for each day -- pages 29, 41, 59, 77 and 93.

If your favourite author is full, why not choose a new favourite?

Full o' beans

The newsletter team have been given a bag of coffee beans and a grinder. If anyone has the kit to turn this into drinkable coffee many people with a serious caffeine habit will be very happy.



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Editorial Team: Blue Shift

Dateline: Thursday 18:00

The Armadillo Is Go

All fans were thoroughly briefed on how to enjoy the Worldcon adventure, although our photographer got slightly confused, if not panicked, so alas no pictures of the procedures.

The WSFS Armadillo's captain, Kevin Standlee, stylishly informed us of the great plans ahead (also see the Inflight Magazine) and introduced Deb Geisler to hand over the Worldcon gavel to Colin Harris and Vince Docherty. Before welcoming the convention's guests, they asked us to celebrate the memory of KIM and Johannes, and all those that we have lost in the last 12 months, who'd have wanted to be remembered with happiness and not sadness. After introducing the Convention Guests that you've come here to enjoy, Bailie Alan Stewart for the Glasgow city council formally named the WSFS Armadillo that we're seeing off on her wonderful voyage in a few days.

Finally, we were warned about the Plokta pirates seen wandering the neighbourhood that might lure you away from the straight path to the stars with offers of Real Ale, Chocolate, Fanzines, et cetera. One wonders whether the reception after the naming ceremony effectively prevented a run past the Armadillo's dock to the infaMHouse place where the pirates are holed out.

Get your Souvenir Book CD

After the Stargate installation, the CDs have made it to the Glasgow site. Take your CD voucher to Registration.



Vince Docherty, Colin Harris and Deb Geisler being piped aboard

Party List - Thursday

9:30pm - Tolkien Society
Hilton, Glendronach Room

Celebrate fifty years of *The Lord of the Rings* with fellow Tolkien fans from around the world; drink Real English Cider, English wine, and organic apple juice. This is your last chance to pre-register for Tolkien 2005 next week in Birmingham.

9pm - DC in 2011 Worldcon Bid
Hilton, Oban Room

10pm - 50 Years of Science
Fiction Club Deutschland Party
Ballroom 1, Hilton Hotel

See the Convention Guide for a complete list, also see the Party Board near the Departure Lounge entrance for any late additions.

Get-Up-and-over Fan Fund delegates Damien Warman and Juliette Woods from Australia seek fans from Riga, Berlin, Paris and Ljubljana.

Contact guff2005@gmail.com.

Call For Volunteers—all areas

Got a spare hour or two? Volunteers are needed for a variety of fun jobs around the convention. Drop by the Gopher Hole/Volunteer Desk in the middle of Hall 2 to sign-up.

Tickets Available

Plenty of GamerZ tickets left back at the information desk – reception at 7pm, film from 8pm.

NEWSFLASH!!!

The Ceilidh is on TONIGHT at 8pm, not Saturday!

More Ribbons!

Friends of the 2005 Bid – we have ribbons available at the Info Desk for you.

Overheard

A mother, arms full of registration stuff, notices her little son twirling on his butt on the floor.

"Get up off there and stop making an exhibition of yourself!"

"But Mum, it's the Exhibition Centre!"

(As ever, Newsletter is looking for more of these!)

Denmark Eurocon 2007 Bid

For the first time in history, Denmark is bidding for Eurocon. Vote for this unique possibility to see what Danish fandom and old Copenhagen can offer fans in the rest of Europe. ESFS Eurocon meeting in Boisdale-2 Friday at 2pm. Be there!

Calling All Chairs

Former and seated Worldcon chairs are invited to the Forth Room at 11:30am Sunday, after the WSFS Business Meeting Session, for the group photo op. Pick up your reminder sticker for your badge from the Programme Check-in Desk.

Golden Duck Awards 2005

Golden Duck Awards for Excellence in Children's Science Fiction will be presented at 4:30pm Friday in M(Jura), for the following books:

Picture Book — **Science Verse**, by Jon Scieszka, illustrated by Lane Smith (Viking)

Eleanor Cameron (Middle Grades) — **Supernaturalist**, by Eoin Colfer (Hyperion)

Hal Clement (Young Adult) — **Balance of Trade**, by Sharon Lee and Steve Miller (Meisha Merlin Publishing).

Wireless Problems?

The wireless network at the SECC may cause problems. It's being resolved, but if you have issues go to the SECC Info Desk on the concourse for help.

Internet access in Cairncross House is via DHCP and use proxy 100.0.0.1:8080 (it's free!)

Ednun (a blind fan — 22) is hoping to meet fans his age, contact Cuddles/Electrical Eggs if you can help.

Looking for a place to eat?

The Groat (pub)

Argyle and Haugh; 11am to Midnight (kitchen opens at noon). Free internet and Wi-Fi access. Very convenient if you're at one of the B&Bs in St Vincent Crescent.

The Crystal Palace

To order: grab a table, then order food at the bar. Food and cutlery are brought to the table. Large quiet non-smoking area on the upper floor. Service was prompt, recommend the fish & chips. Portions comparable to those in American restaurants. Children's menu until 7pm.

Mongolian BBQ

Khublai Khan, 26 Candleriggs, 4 blocks east of Glasgow Central Station, in Merchant City. Reservations are suggested (0141 552 5646). All-you-can-eat (including appetizer and dessert) for £19.99. Drinks extra. Appetizers include BBQ Yak Ribs and Zebra Enchiladas.

Little Mexico, no more

"Little Mexico" (page 114 of the program guide) now serves gourmet burgers. These burgers are very big, very messy, and very big. You can choose from beef (100% Scottish 10oz size), chicken, vegan, or veggie). Note to Californians: when they say "Avocado Relish", they mean Guacamole. Lots of drinks available too, of course. Burgers are £4.95-6.75.

Concourse to Moat House

The elevator on the shortcut between the Concourse and the MH is not big enough for the scooters — you'll have to go outside to get from one to the other.

Docent Tours

The Docent Tour preliminary schedule is now available; see the Information Desk. Tours of the Art Show, Fan Exhibits, and Worldcon itself start Friday 10am from Hall 2 or 3.

Skeptical about YAFA events?

There's no need to be. The Young Adult Fun Activity area is in Hall 3, right next to the Dealer's room. Young fans of all ages signed up during initiation Thursday at noon to play computer games (some of them vintage) and their hair sprayed red, black or white. Many looked longingly at the inline skates, hockey sticks, water pistols, and other dangerous-sounding equipment cordoned off for future activities. YAFA inductees have selected to be part of either the "Brainwrong" team or the "Notright" team, with competitions and points to be wracked up over the course of the next week. Most young fans looked to be 10 to 15 years old.

Sitting to get her hair sprayed red was Kethry Dickson, from Romford in the United Kingdom. "It does wash out, doesn't it?" she asked. Indeed, she was assured, it is temporary. But the same can not be said for the peroxide used on the hair of James Bacon, one of the leaders. That little bit of fun will have to grow out.





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Editorial Team: Yellow Perils

Dateline: Friday 10:00

Absent Friends

Guest of Honor Robert Sheckley, who has been ill for some time, could not make it to Worldcon. He is represented at Interaction by his wife, the writer Gail Dana.

WorldCon on Autopilot

Robert Klein comes to his seventh Worldcon from Canada, but everything he needs to know about getting around Glasgow is in his wallet. "it's easy - low-level rail," he said, flashing the photo ID that is his ticket to ride for the next week. "I can go anywhere with this." He won't have to queue to buy train tickets and is saving money in the bargain. The pass was easy to get: he sat in a booth at Central Station for a photo, and for £4.75, got a laminated pass that will also make a nice Worldcon souvenir. Sunday is the only problem, Klein said. Anderston Station, where he gets on the train, is closed on Sunday. "But that's only one day."

Desperately Seeking CD

Pam Henschell is looking for a CD copy of the burlesque song "The Striker" for her Masquerade presentation. She needs it by 10 a.m. Saturday -- if you can help, please contact the Masquerade desk in Hall 2).

Mark Protection Committee Meeting Update

The WSFS Mark Protection Committee Meeting scheduled for Monday 11 AM will be moved to Saturday immediately after the WSFS Business Meeting, in the Forth Room (time permitting) or Sunday at 11 AM if necessary.

For The Curious

You may have noticed an area in the Dealer's room screened off with white plastic sheets, with a queue at the entrance. If you're curious, or have read page 15 of the Convention Guide, - this is where the Art Show is. Here, you'll find wonders as great as in the books you read. Or, indeed, the book you look at in the dealer's room; many artists displayed in the Art Show have painted book covers. Here you'll see other work they have done, some of which will be for sale.

The art show may seem a bit peripheral, not as vital as the panels, or catching up with friends. But sf is about ideas - and any one of the paintings might spark off an idea. How about Anne Sudworth's painting, *The Path to Strange Places*, of a woman in some mountains with a massive cat-like creature. Who is she? Why is she there? What is going to happen? Any of the paintings in the art show could so grab you, leap into your imagination. Come along to the show, and see which painting works for you.

(The queue is to check in bags - be patient!.)

Book ID Challenge

Jerry Finn seeks information about a novel or short story, published at least 10 years ago, which contained a scene where a character called Kevin died in an area of space called "Sector 7." Jerry would like to obtain a copy of the story if possible. Contact Jerry via the Voodoo board if you can help.

Spice of Life (££ SECC)

Kudos to the Convention Guide; indeed a fairly quiet place with some interesting choices on the menu and very good indeed. Conveniently close for those who pass by their student accommodations after a day at the SECC before going on partying. Note that it's upstairs (and slightly confusing if you're standing there looking at an empty bar) but staff is friendly and even chatty if you like and they have time. Order you sweet lassi by the jug, recommended! You may return contentedly home instead of ending up at a party though...

Wee Jo's

Wee Jo's hot and cold sandwiches - go across the red bridge, it's in the road across from Melvin Motors. Posted hours 07:45- 1:30pm Mon-Fri, but they may extend their hour if we all eat there. Quick, simple, cheap. I had a bacon & fried egg sandwich and a 500ml coke for £2.20, a great way to supplement the continental breakfast I get at my B&B.

In the bath, Eureka!

To American guests at the Quality Inn: You operate the shower with the dial in the middle. The handles on either side are for the bath.

Fire Regulations, and no Hot Drinks, Please

Due to fire regulations, once all the seats for a programme item are filled, no further spectators will be allowed into the rooms. Also, please note that hot drinks are **not** allowed in programme rooms.



The passing of Johannes Berg and KIM Campbell, super fans in their own ways, was honoured at the Opening Ceremony with an ovation.

A (Video)Tale of Two Glasgow Worldcons

For Intersection '95, the BBC gave us *carte blanche* to show anything. For Interaction '05, the BBC requested £250 for each one of the forty or so shows. Due to budgetary constraints, we have considerably less BBC coverage this time. The list of items selected for copyright clearance is on display in the Video/Anime Room (Castle Suites, MH) -- Dave Lally

LOST:

White carrier bag containing two books, two CDs and one tape, all just purchased. Contact Gwen Funnell via the Voodoo Board.

Overheard:

"The philosophical sandwich panel apparently." Response: "Greg Pickersgill does not make a good sandwich."

Please send all complaints about this newsletter to Megadodo Publications, Sirius Minor 3.

Rail Pass Deal

A seven-day light rail pass is a good bargain, especially if you are going to be using the trains a lot. Note that if you get the pass at the central city station, you will be asked for a new photo, since there is a £3 photo concession booth on the first floor, but if you get it at another station, e.g. Anderston, a photocopy of your passport will do. A return ticket between Glasgow Central Station and the SECC is £2, and the seven-day pass is £8, as per the SPT website, so after your first 4 trips, your pass is actually more economical than buying return tickets.

Art Show Tour "Ships, Creatures and Landscapes"

John McMackin, BFA Fine Arts California, will conduct a tour of this year's art exhibition. The tour includes work by professionals and new artists, indicating story links. The tour begins at 2 p.m. at the Art Show entry desk.

Calling all EuroFans!

Remember the European Science Fiction Society (ESFS)!

The decision rests in your hands: all Europeans are invited to vote for Denmark or Ireland for Eurocon 2007. There will be a presentation by Ireland and Denmark on Friday at 14:00 in Boisedale 2, and voting will take place on Saturday at 14:00, also in Boisedale 2.

LYCON 2—Lübeck

Join us in Lübeck for LYCON 2 on 23rd to 25th June. Guests of honour: James P Hogan and German authors. Compete in the magical marzipan rally!

European Fan meetings

Wandering fans can find soul-mates in almost any country in Europe by noting when and where fans meet.

Sweden

Stockholm fans meet every third Tuesday in the "Loch Ness" in Wollmar Yxkullsgatan 5.

Uppsala fans meet on the first Tuesday in the month in "William's" Årsgränd 6.

Polish News

The 25-year-old Silesian SF club is the oldest in Polish fandom. Large numbers of special interest groups keep their ties with "fandom proper" -- RP games, resurrection of old societies like the ever-popular Middle Ages, military enthusiasts, etc. 20 medium-to-large conventions exist, large meaning 400 to 500 attendees, Polcon, occurring in 3 weeks from now, as the main example. The award as doted upon as the Hugo is the Zajdel Award named after an SF writer of the 80s.



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NEWS AT INTERACTION

EDITORIAL TEAM: JOLLY GREEN

DATELINE: FRIDAY 14:00

World Exclusive

Alan Lee will be signing the first available copies of his book, **The Lord of the Rings Sketch-book** in Hall 5 of the SECC from 16:00 to 18:00. Copies will be available for sale starting at 14:00 in front of Hall 5.

Anne McCaffrey Updates

Anne McCaffrey's KaffeeKlatsch has been moved from Monday at 13:00 to Saturday at 13:00.

Her Sunday autographing is still scheduled for 13:00, but her Monday reading is presently being rescheduled. We shall publish her reading schedule change when it is known.

20th Annual Chesley Awards

The Association of Science Fiction and Fantasy Artists cordially invites everyone to the 20th annual Chesley Awards, Friday at 18:30 in Lomond. There will be a reception afterwards in the Art Show in Hall 3. The ASFA Suite is open in the Moat House, 1501.3.

Late Afternoon Autographing

15:30 Esther Friesner,
Robert Silverberg

17:00 Keith Brooke, Jo
Fletcher, Graham Joyce,
Conor Kostick, Stan Nicholls

Lucas Back In Anger

Our Friday night play, Lucas Back In Anger, is Reductio Ad Absurdum's latest epic production. Following on the huge success of their previous shows (which include The Matrix: Remaindered, A Fistful of Hobbits and Dune, or The Sand of Music), Phil Raines and Ian Sorensen present their allegedly spectacular version of the complete Star Wars saga – all six movies in 60 minutes. See how expensive special effects can be recreated using only cardboard and a vivid imagination. See amateur dramatists being much more amateur than dramatic. You'll laugh, you'll cry, you'll kiss an hour goodbye!

Clyde Auditorium, WSFS Armadillo: Friday 20:00 – 21:00; doors open 19:00. This play is free to all convention members; your badge gets you in. The ticket office is for non-members.

Fan Fund Auction

The League of Fan Funds auction will be held on Friday at 22:25. Lots include a signed proof of **Jonathan Strange & Mr Norrell**. If you have any donations for the auction or tombola, please drop them at the Fan Lounge (Moat House Argyll-2) during the day.

Cyberman

Appearing at the Macmillan Cancer Relief Stand in Hall 2. Saturday 6th, 11:00 - 12:00 and 14:00 - 15:00. Photo opportunity for a donation.

The Shipping News

APC will provide international shipping service for members to ship books, artwork etc home through Monday mid-afternoon. They are in Hall 3.

Hotel News

The switchboard and front desk at the Marriott can only identify and locate the room for the primary guest name on the room. This means that if you call the Marriott looking for someone and their name is not the primary name on the room the switchboard (or front desk) will probably not be able to connect you to the room.

The party space at the Glasgow Hilton is on Levels 3 and 4 (what we have been calling the 1st and 2nd floors). When you enter the Hilton through the Main Lobby, take an elevator to Level 3 for the main party floor and to Level 4 for the smaller party rooms.

Science Centre Discounts

Fancy popping across the foot bridge from the convention to visit the Glasgow Science Centre? If you do, remember to take the 2-for-1 pass you collected at registration.

Midnight Taxi Surcharge

There is a £2 surcharge on taxi fares after midnight on Friday and Saturday in Glasgow.

Announcing the NIGHT BUS!

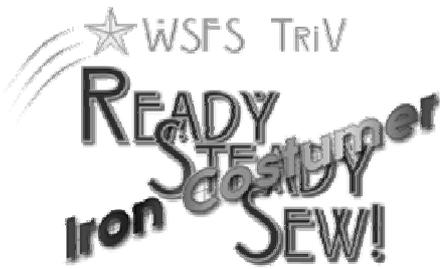
To help fans move between the SECC and the Hilton at night and especially on Saturday and Sunday after the big Events, we have arranged for free bus service to be available at the following times:

FRIDAY: 23:00 – 03:00 (One bus)

SATURDAY: 22:00 – 01:00 (Four buses); 01:00 – 03:00 (One bus)

SUNDAY: 22:00 – 01:00 (Four buses); 01:00 – 03:00 (One bus)

The buses are open-top double-deckers and will pick up at the SECC bus-stop and beside the Hilton. More details to come!



You can be a part of WSFS TriV's live production of "Ready Steady Sew! (Iron Costumer)" on Saturday Night at the Masquerade half-time.

Two lucky members of the studio audience will be called forward to assist the Iron Costumers during Saturday's telecast.

For your chance at everlasting fame, visit the Events/Masquerade desk in the Departure Lounge before 15:00 Saturday and submit your name and place of origin on one of the entry forms available there. Then just listen for your name to be called at the start of the show!

(Be sure to sit on the main floor of the auditorium during the masquerade, so you can readily come forward when your name is called.) — Kevin Roche, Host

Magic: The Gathering - Booster Draft

There will be an informal, up to 8 player draft tournament, at 15:00 Saturday in the Gamers Room. Please sign up at the Gamers Room. This is a friendly chance to play the new 9th edition — Novices Welcome! (Overhead cost of Novices £5.)

Filk Announcements

Filk is happening in Barra tonight at 21:00. This is open filk — all welcome, sing or say or just listen! Filk staff include Bill Sutton, assisted by Brenda and Miki Dennis.

Concerts begin tomorrow with Linn Gold and Gwen Knighton from 11:20 in Shuna.

The Spirit of Fandom Past?

Who was that masked man? And the guy with the sensitive fannish face? Come to the FA-NAC Fanhistory exhibit in Hall 2 (next to the Stargate) and help us identify the fans in our photo exhibit. If you've brought photos of bygone conventions, we can scan them on the spot for inclusion in the fan history website.

The exhibit also has news articles about fandom, science fiction, and our media image. As we posted in the progress report, please also bring your newspaper clippings for the display.

Mags for Free?

A vanload of SF magazines — Astounding & later — is available for collection as one lot in Glasgow. If you would like to make a donation to Electrical Eggs, visit the Eggs desk in Hall 2. The most generous donation will get preference.

Call for Artists

The fan room needs a couple of artists who can draw space pirates, galleons, treasure, asteroids, and intergalactic parrots on great big pieces of foam core. There are free drinks in this for you. Come and find us in the Moat House.

Party Correspondent MIA!

Flick, our roving party reporter, was last seen at 02:00 Friday morning in the Moat House. According to reports, she'd intrepidly visited every party in the Hilton, including several private ones, and nobly had at least one drink in each. "Am I squiffy, darling?" she said, tottering on her stilettos and falling over into Liam Proven's lap. More party reporting expected tonight.

Charcoals (££ City Centre)

26A Renfield Street
0141-221-9251

As you walk down Renfield Street, it would be easy to pass the unprepossessing Charcoals: it looks like nothing more than a fast food joint, yet another kebab outlet. This restaurant is far from pretentious yet serves up Indian food which is miles better than the average Ashoka clone. The centrepiece of the cooking here is the large charcoal grill, on which long-marinated meat is cooked. For vegetarians, there are dishes created with every bit as much care.

Italmania (££ City Centre)

184 Argyle Street, open till 01:30
Friday/Saturday only.

Good place to get a snack, main attraction is the range of over 40 flavours of hot chocolate, over 30 flavours of coffee and milk shakes. Service is brisk and friendly, recommend the little chocolate filled wafers that come free with the hot chocolate.

Rotunda (££/£££ SECC)

Wonderful nearby restaurant with choices from Japanese, Thai and Cantonese cuisine, you can also elect the teppanyaki experience, but we just went for a quick dinner. It was efficiently served as well as good and plentiful, and can be said to have met committee approval.

Restaurant Review Revisions

Asia Style is not at 3 Elmbank Gardens. Its actual address is 185-189 Saint George's Road. (The con guide map is correct.)

Little Mexico, reviewed in Issue 2, is now named West.

The review for the 'The Groat' should have read 'The Goat'.

The Creme De La Creme Indian restaurant is now the India Cafe.



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NEWS AT INTERACTION

EDITORIAL TEAM: LILAC

DATELINE: 18:00 FRIDAY

Credit Card Charges

Large credit card bills may be charged in dollars. This can be expensive as there will have been a conversion to pounds. The merchant may have used a poorer exchange rate than your credit card company will provide. You can save money by insisting that the merchant charges in pounds. At least two hotels have charged Americans in dollars already. The staff seem unaware of the problem, but can void the transaction and re do it in sterling.

Late Night Programming Vanishes from Grid

You need to know that all our late night programming in the Moat House (after 10pm) doesn't appear on the grid. It's in the lists of descriptions and will be going ahead. Most of it is "rather silly".

Macmillan Draw

There is a daily prize draw at the Macmillan Cancer Relief stand in Hall 2. For £1 you have the chance of winning framed pictures of the Doctor Who companions: Leela, Romana, Tegan Jovanka and Victoria Waterfield. There are also framed pictures of Westmore Alien Bill Blair and Star Trek Enterprise Sub Commander T'Pol (Jolene Blalock). Other prizes are: a fully signed script of Star Trek Nemesis; a Time Machine Script signed by Jeremy Irons and Guy Pierce; and signed first editions of The Twilight Zone scripts volumes 1 and 2. The winner of Thursday's draw is Annette Graham. Larry van der Putte, drew the winning ticket.

Queer fans meet

Queer fan meetup Saturday 15:30 until 17:00 in the Castle Suite entrance hall (left side of the fan bar, Moat House). All LGBTQ fans welcome.

YAFA

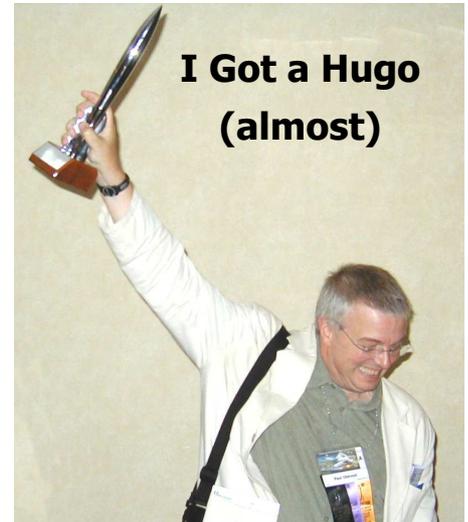
I am obviously too old. The YAFA (Young Adult Fan Activities) programme looks like it is great fun. Just today I watched a gang of teenagers (without hoodies) pour paint over someone being spun round in a boiler suit. Jackson Pollock eat your heart out. Emma and Simone put various things in a microwave which the manual tells you not to. The audience sat behind a sheet of safety glass and wore safety goggles to highlight the seriousness of the scientific demonstration. I'll be there later on fighting the kids for access to the crate of Lego. - *Alex Mc*

If you smoke and party you need to know

Starting with Friday night's parties on the Hilton's 3rd level, the entire Grand Ballroom foyer, including the Bar area, will be non-smoking. Smoking will be permitted in the area of the 3rd level that overlooks the Hilton's Main Lobby.

Big Kids in YAFA

The organisers of YAFA would like to remind all members of the convention that they are welcome in YAFA, but it is a programme for young people. Adults and large people should **sit at the back** and allow smaller younger people to see and take part in what is designed as their programme.



Hugo recipient announced

In recognition for his work as Chairman of Conspiracy the 1987 Worldcon, Paul Oldroyd was presented with a replica Hugo. The presentation was made by current co-chair Vince Docherty at last night's 5 - Timer party. Paul was reported as being pleased to receive it.

Honeymooners

Did you honeymoon at Worldcon? Are you? Will you? If so, you are cordially invited to the Honeymooners party, Room 903 Hilton. Usually lowkey, please be considerate of other hotel guests as you arrive and leave. Runs 9 - midnight

Missing zeitgeist

Fandom can't find its zeitgeist. If you have it please bring it to Argyll 3 in the Moat House for 11:00 tomorrow.

Souvenir Artwork

Spaceport Glasgow, the Jim Burns artwork for the souvenir book and the membership badges, is available as a limited edition signed print from the print shop in the art show for £75 rolled or £90 framed.

Party report

Thursday

No of parties attended: seven (vg, as quiet night for parties)



No of cigarettes smoked: approx ten (vg that smoking is allowed in the corridors)

No of units alcohol drunk: quite a lot (may possibly have been slightly squiffy)

No of ribbons acquired: four (acceptable, although am unsure where Evil Smof came from and *why*)

No of stickers acquired: two (v bad. Clearly unacceptable level of sticker provision on part of party organisers)

Started evening with quick visit to Ceilidh. Was impressed by the number of people taking part, particularly as the caller was apparently not used to beginners, and so didn't actually do any calling once the music had started. Declined to dance on the grounds of stilettos.

Visited (SFCD) Germany party. Had a pretzel. Bar had huge scrum around it. Attempted to lose the Strange Man following me around the room. Looked at Perry Rhodan poster but failed to be able to read it due to language incompatibility, i.e. it was in Foreign.

Visited Denver In 2008 party. Got sticker, grapes and glass of wine. Felt much better.

Went to DC In 2011 party. Had a corn chip thing. Bar only had bourbon. No stickers.

Went to Tolkien Society party. Cute little apple pies had sadly all gone; considered slice of cake but did not want to appear messy or otherwise undignified,

and so declined. Had cider-with-rats-in: v tasty. Still no stickers.

Remembered that I had Party Host ribbons to hand out, and so went back to Germany, where bar was now visible, revealing lots of beer and Strange Man. Popped into Denver long enough to hand over ribbon.

Went back to DC and was handed bourbon, of a variety that was far less nasty than usual but still revolting on the grounds of made of grain. Had English wine at Tolkien party: surprisingly un-revolting.

Went into UK 5 party. All parties v hot by this point; may have to reconsider wardrobe for rest of con, ie, wear less. Found gin. All well in world, although still sad re: lack of stickers.

Went to Brotherhood Without Banners pre-party party. Nice man provided more gin. At some point, drank all gin in UK 5 party and all tonic in BWB, a problem requiring lateral thinking.

Popped into Qanonreip party: vg, and had both gin and tonic, as well as tasty nibbles. They had run out of stickers by the time I got there: v sad.

Was persuaded to give Germany one last try by Tame Man who wanted beer. Presence of Tame Man seemed to prevent Strange Man from appearing: vg, but Tame Man v disappointed that beer was American, not German.

At some point, teleported back to Fan Room and sat on Liam's lap until telephone call from Dr Plokta suggested that perhaps it was time for bed. Would like to categorically deny having

ever fallen off my stilettos, but find that memory is unaccountably fuzzy, and so am unable to do so.

Hugo and JW Campbell award Presenters

Please make sure you have picked up your ceremony packs from the Hall 1 programme participants check in.

Priority seating raffle winners:

The following lucky people have worked for the convention and have won the seat raffle for "Lucas back in anger" **tonight** They should check in with the door staff.

N Cenke Gokce x 2
Leo Brabaant x 2
Anders Holmstrom x 2
Neil Sluman x 2
Judy Newton x 2

back up:

Kirk Masubuchi A 259
Madelein Tyrell A 2928

Lost ring

A silver band with green inlays of great sentimental value has been lost. If found please contact Becky Thomson at the Moat House Room 1472.

Space Cadets!

Please visit the L.A.con IV table in hall 2 and pick up your new patch. We'll be there thru 3 pm on Monday.

Or join us at our joint L.A.con IV / Nipon 07 party in ballroom 1 on Friday night after 9.00pm.

Afore Ye Go

The Cook's Room Restaurant (p.116 con guide) is no longer in business: a fact discovered after a long walk, reminding us that it's a good idea to phone first.

Antoniou's nearby served an excellent Greek meal. Their Meze assortment was more than we could eat at £15 per person.



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News at Interaction

Editorial Team: Blue Shift

Dateline: 10:00 Saturday

Programme Changes

Anne McCaffrey's Reading is Sunday at 15:30 in S(Hall5)

Program Participant unable to attend: Robert Rankin

Program Participants added to program Items:

2090 Saturday 16:30 Filk Concert:
Rita the Bardling

2265 Saturday 19:00 Game Design:
Realism vs. Playability: Charles Walthers

2870 Sunday 15:30 Get Out of My Ghetto! John Douglas

2065 Saturday 16:00 Filk Concert:
Lawrence Dean

Dealers' room signings

Tachyon Publications

Saturday

15:00 Eileen Gunn
16:30 Brian Aldiss, OBE

Sunday

13:00 Eileen Gunn
13:15 Michael Swanwick

Borderlands Books

Saturday

11:00 Kelly Link
14:30 Cory Doctorow
Charles Stross

Sunday

14:00 Joe Haldeman

Orbit stand: meet the author

Saturday

10:00 Ken Macleod
11:00 Juliet McKenna
Jessica Rydill
Andy Remic
Ian Graham

Sunday

11:00 Charles Stross
Tanya Huff
14:00 Iain (M?) Banks
Elizabeth Moon

To be confirmed

John Clute
Terry Brooks

Warning: The wearing of hoodies can get you banned from major shopping centres at Alpha

Boarding Information

The Events Division "Office" is actually the Events Desk, located next to the costume exhibit in the Departure Lounge (Hall 2). If there is nobody at the Events Desk, and the adjacent Masquerade Desk cannot help, ring Kevin Standlee on 07845 731 545.

Find your way around the Spaceship Armadillo...

The Forth Room is located on the ground floor of the Armadillo. The fastest way to get there is to go outside and walk around to the front entrance of the Armadillo. The Forth Room entrances are off the front lobby.

Sign in for prizes!

Gopher/volunteers and staff members: sign on at the Gopher Hole to enter our prize draws — we don't always have the most recent list of staff!

The Black Hole

Help! The Gopher Hole has run out of volunteer ribbons! PLEASE return your ribbon if you no longer need it.

DAPPER

Dutch-based, English language APA is looking for new members. If you're interested in chatting on paper with a group of fans from all over the world, contact official Editor Jan van't Ent (or see www.dapper.info).

Members can drop by the newsroom to collect their copies

Art Show Auctions

To be held in Hall 3 programme room, between YAFA and the Art Show

The Fforde Ffestival

A ffestival by Jasper Fforde's ffans for the ffans. The Fforde Ffestival will be held in Swindon, UK, September 16-17. Events include a bus tour of Swindon, a Swindon Mallets Croquet Match, Name That Fruit!

Jasper Fforde will read a piece specially written for the Ffestival. www.jasperfforder.com/festival.html

Edited Out

An irate Sparks demanded an editor's head for not reporting yet another Hugo nomination quality performance. Of course, our reporter missed the importance of the initial sketch of the Opening Ceremony (aka naming ceremony), and our editors just don't have enough heads to hand out willy-nilly. Sparks was heard muttering on the way out: 'I need to sort out a Tardis for a couple of hours.'

Overheard

Eagle-eyed pedantic Opening critic: Did you notice they spelt notarised with a z?

Foundation available

The latest issue of Foundation is now out. Subscribers can collect their issues at the Science Fiction Foundation stand in the Dealers' Room. Non-subscribers can of course also subscribe: take advantage of the Worldcon three-year subscription.

Today's GoH items:

1775 13:00 Alan Lee
1875 14:00 Robert Sheckley
1995 15:30 Lars-Olov Strandberg

Correction to Issue 5:

The Jim Burns spaceport prints are £65 unmounted, not £75.

Chesley Awards Ceremony

The Chesley Awards ceremony at Interaction was organised by Jannie Shea, President of ASFA. Julie Faith Rigby was the Mistress of Ceremonies. A video tribute to Kelly Freas was shown. Presenter David Mattingly paid tribute to British artists and called for more of them to join ASFA so they can nominate and vote for the awards. Noted artist Alan Lee presented the award for Artistic Achievement. <http://forums.asfa-art.org/viewtopic.php?t=40>

Chesley Awards

Best Cover Illustration: Hardback: Rick Berry for *Queen of the Amazons* by Judith Tarr, Tony DiTerlizzi for *The Wrath of Mulgarath: The Spiderwick Chronicles Book 5* by Holly Black & Tony DiTerlizzi, Donato Giancola for *The Nameless Day* by Sara Douglas (three-way tie)

Best Cover Illustration: Paperback: John Picacio for *Her Smoke Rose Up Forever* by James Tiptree Jr.

Best Cover Illustration: Magazine: Omar Rayyan for *Spider Magazine*
Best Interior Illustration: Charles Vess for *Medicine Road* by Charles de Lint

Best Color Work: Unpublished: Marc Fishman for *Water Nymph*

Best Monochrome Work: Unpublished: Robert Elneskog for *The Halls of Valhalla*

Best Three-Dimensional Art: Lawrence Northey for *AF-Z4 The Duke an' Blinky*

Best Product Illustration: Dean Morrissey for *Celtic King* fine art print, Greenwich Workshop

Best Gaming Related Illustration: Mark Zug cover for *Monte Cook's Arcana Unearthed, a Variant players handbook*

Best Art Director: Irene Gallo for Tor Books

Award for Contribution to ASFA: Kat Angeli – production & printing of 2004 Chesley brochure

Award for Artistic Achievement: Omar Rayyan

Gamerz review

The audience for the premiere was of two kinds – luvviedom, all dressed up to the nines and fandom all dressed...as fans. That aside, the film treated its subject (twenty-something role-players) with exactly the right tone — not at all serious. The humour was very sharp, very Glaswegian, (“Your character is a half-orc: very strong, but thick as mince. Do you think you’re up to it?”) so there was enough laugh-out-loud stuff to keep everyone happy. In short, it lives up to its tag line: “Pure Magic, buy the way”.

Port information

Newsletter readers requested that we explain about the port. *Port* is a dark red wine from Portugal, specifically the region around the city of Oporto. Brandy is added before fermentation is complete, preserving the fruity character of the wine and some of the sugar. It also stabilises it to better withstand shipment. This style of winemaking probably started in 17th century. The British fondness of port began when war with France cut off their regular wine supplies. In the great port scandal of the 18th century, bogus port was produced from inferior grapes with added sugar and elderberry juice. In the 19th century, vines devastated by *phylloxera* were replanted with American root stock. Great port vintages include the 1927, 1934, 1945, and more recently the 1963, 1977, 1983, 1985, 1991, 1994, 1995, 1997 and 2000.

Fan GoH book available

Can't Get Off the Island, a collection of Greg Pickersgill's writing, produced especially for Interaction, is available for only £3 in the Fan Lounge. Limited numbers: buy your copy now!

Highlights from the Art show

Danny Flynn's vivid horror-based images: the strange cat with vicious teeth.

David Mattingly's incredible 3D/hologram images.

David A Hardy's *Mikos* with the overhanging moon occluding Saturn — simple, dramatic, vivid.

Sarah Clemens' cat and small dragon pictures — see who helps your cat in mischief!

Gordon Crabb's bookcovers.

Superb portraits — the people seem about to speak.

Art show last chance

Saturday is the last full day of the Art Show. Artists have volunteered to give guided tours, some of which will focus on particular themes. Turn up at the following times and wait inside the art show just after the bag-check area, by the 'Docent Tours' sign.

10:00 Brandy Stark, “Supernatural”

12:00 David Mattingly

14:00 Jae Leslie Adams, “Abstract vs. Representational vs. Graphics (techniques)”

16:00 Pete Young, “Stuff I like!”

Rude Awakening

Residents at Cairncross House were roused and ejected yesterday at 09:00 after an alarm sounded. Please open a window if you smoke in your room or use a kitchen.

Designing a Solar System

Three interlinked workshops in M (Barra) with John Bray, Dr Jack Cohen, and G David Nordley. Saturday 10:00 (introduction), Sunday 10:00 (ecology) and Monday 11:00 (first contact).

WOOF

WOOF (World Organisation of Fanwriters) APA collation in the Fan Lounge at 11:00 Sunday. If anyone has written an APazine for this, please bring it along.



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News at Interaction

Editorial Team: Yellow Perils

Dateline: 14:00 Saturday

Lost & Found

A number of international passports have been found at the Central train station. If you think that your passport may be there, please go to Ops.

Eggs UK

Apologies for our lateness in creating designated seating, but that will be rectified today. Also, we still need volunteers willing to act as personal aides to help some visually impaired fans attending Worldcon. If you can help, contact Gopher Hole or Eggs UK desk.

Bad News in Comics

For those familiar with Page 45, a particularly good comic shop in Nottingham, England, we are seeing on Neil Gaiman's website that co-owner Mark Simpson fell ill and died unexpectedly on Sunday 31st July. Those wishing to send condolences can email page45@page45.com

Calling All Conrunners

Have you got an upcoming con? Want to talk to people about it? Come to the Q & A session in M (Barra) at 19:00 tonight. Bring fliers!

Cheaper Ale!

In recognition of the good business that we have brought to the Hilton, the Hilton has reduced the price of the real ale that is being sold in the Ballroom Foyer bar from £3.25 to £2.90.

Volunteer/Staff Reminders

Each Kaffeeklatsch holds one spot open for volunteers and staff, raffled off one hour prior. Volunteers can also earn GRoaTs, a T-shirt, or decent seating at the Masquerade! Sign up at the Gopher Hole!



A Scene from Lucas Back in Anger

Lucas Back in Anger

Ian Sorensen and Phil Raines assembled a large cast of actors and ASMs to satirise the Star Wars phenomenon. Fans in a packed Armadillo spaceship produced the sounds of the Darth Vader theme whenever DV showed up!

The show began with a spoof of Star Wars IV, plus a quick run through of episodes V and VI. Ian played Obi-Wan, Phil, Harrison Ford as Han Solo and Indy. They were supported by actors in the major roles, with R2D2 played by a Dalek, C3PO was a Cyberman, and the Jawas were Oompa-Loompas. Darth Vader was conventional enough until the climax of *The Empire Strikes Back*, when – no I won't say it. If you weren't there, find someone who was!

The garbage compacter scene became the crowded cabin of a Marx Brothers movie. When

Correction:

Highlights from the art show, David A Hardy's Mikos is Mimas

Art Exhibit Highlight

The Coffin by Jackie E. Burns. The details on the panelling and the golden dragon on the lid are worth the view.

Lando Calrissian was set to appear, Londo Mollari arrived to great cheers. The energy bolts at the climax of *Return of the Jedi* were really effective with projectile silly string. Paul and Ian first pretended they had not prepared the second trilogy, then announced it would be played in a different way, as *Jabba the Musical* was performed by just the pair of them. This was a tour de force using paper-folding for the different costumes, including Amidala, and telling the story through folk-songs based on well-loved Abba songs, to which the audience sang along. So as "the Empire Takes It All" we sang "Thank You For the Movies".

The show reflected the immense amount of work on costumes and props. I haven't seen any Reductio productions before, but as a veteran of amateur theatre, I say "brilliant!"
Jessica Yates

Prometheus Award

The Libertarian Futurist Society awarded the Prometheus Award to Neal Stephenson's *The System of the World*. The Prometheus Hall of Fame Award went to A.E. van Vogt for *The Weapon Shops of Isher*.

Texan Hoe-Down

Come party with the Friends of Texas, in the Glenmorangie room on the main party floor of the Hilton Hotel, on Sunday after the Hugos. Hosted/sponsored by the Austin Literary Arts Maintenance Organisation, Inc (ALOMO).

Hugo Screenings

All Hugo dramatic nominees (long and short form) will now be shown from Sunday on, in the Castle Suites of the Moat House. The award winners will be screened on Monday.

Towel Fu Tournament

Miriam Moss won the first international Towel Fu Tournament at the ZZ9 Party last night. She was the third highest scorer; the higher scorers, Liam Proven and DougS (the society's president and the party's host, respectively), were ineligible.

Careful of the bikes

A reminder that the red footbridge next to the SECC has a green bike path and that walking in it may endanger the walker, the cyclist and anyone else nearby when they ride around a blind corner.

Macmillan Draw Redux

The winners of Friday's draw were David Evans and Richard Gray.

Christian Fandom Meeting

The SIC meeting listed in the supplemental program as "Christian Fantasy" is the Christian Fandom meeting.

ASFA

All artists, art collectors & fans! Visit ASFA in the Moat House, Rm. 1501.3 -- open all day!

Signed books

Opher Lubzens needs to pick up his signed books from the Gopher Hole in Hall 2.

HealthCon 2005

The Menzies Hotel is charging 29 euros per room for a breakfast. I find myself eating far more healthily than I usually do at a convention as a result. Begone the usual pattern of stuffing myself on as much fatty, greasy, sugary filling food as possible, washed down with a great flood of orange juice and coffee. Hello to an illicit bowl of Alpen with semi-skimmed milk, a banana and a peach. And proper tea. (Tea in the SECC is vile: I suspect low unBritish practices such as hot, not boiling water, and a teabag dunked into the cup).

Will Interaction be the Health Con of the year, in a city where they deep-fry salad?

An email from Jack Williamson:

Hope you enjoy the Worldcon.

I'm 97 and feeling the years, but I feel well and have good care. I no longer write anything ambitious, but I have two new books coming out, done when I had a little more vigour. A novel, The Stonehenge Gate, that I'm happy with. And an updated edition of Wonder's Child, written twenty years ago.

Mother India Cafe

Details in Con book.

We ate at the Mother India Cafe and had a fantastic time. Great food, good service, and live entertainment.

Be warned though: while the price of each dish is less than £6, you'll need about 2 dishes per person to be full. We paid £50 for our party of five. Still, it's a treat. Highly recommended.

EURONEWS

Eurocon 2006 in the Ukraine

For a fun, friendly convention join the next Eurocon in Kiev at our fantable in Hall 2. There will be a presentation by Borys Sydiuk on Monday 12:00 in L (Alsh-1).

Fandom in Finland

Finnish fandom started in 1976 when the Turku Science Fiction Society was founded. There are active sf societies in all the major cities, with their fanzines, pub meetings, etc.

The Finnish national convention is called Finncon. They are FREE and usually attract 3000 to 5000 attendees. The next one is in Helsinki in 2006. You should come.

If you want to know more about Findom, come meet us at the Finnish room party on Sunday. You can find links to more information at <<http://partialrecall.blogspot.com>>.

French NatCon in Tilff

The 32nd French National Con will take place in Esneux-Tilff, Belgium, from 25th to 28th August. More info on the programme etc. from Alain le Bussy.

Bergen meets

Bergen Fandom meets at Taverna Sokrates every first Tuesday in the month, about 20 people in total, but about half are active. We have arranged several cons, the latest is Symposicon in 2004. We are very good at arranging cons.

Michael Whelan Signs

He will be at the autographing tables in Hall 3 at 16:30.

Wir brauchen mehr Gophers.

Nous devons trouver plus des Gophers. Vi vill ha mera Gophers. We Need More Gophers.

This edition of
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was brought to you by:

Wilf James Lucia Bibolini (twice), Laurie Williams, Kris Lovekin, Zara Baxter, Alex McLintock, Neyir Cenk Gökçe (twice).





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News at Interaction

Editorial Team: Mean Green

Dateline: Saturday Evening—48:00-ish

The most excellent party list

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| <i>Noreascon 4 Thank You</i> | Ballroom 1 | |
| <i>Kansas City & Montreal in 2009</i> | Ballroom 2 | 21:30 |
| <i>Chicago in 2008</i> | Ballroom 3 | |
| <i>Columbus in 2008</i> | Glenfiddich | |
| <i>Australia in 2010</i> | Glenmorangie | 21:00 |
| <i>Swedish Fandom</i> | Oban | 20:00 |
| <i>SF South Africa</i> | Glendronach | 21:00 |
| <i>Brotherhood Without Banners</i> | Glengoyne | 21:00 |
| <i>Anonymous Claire</i> | The Dalmore | |
| <i>½r Celebration</i> | Tullibardine | |
| <i>XERPS in 2010</i> | Hilton 1710 | 21:00 |

Left out of the Con Guide:

Schedule for the Artshow

Sunday

- 10:00 to 12:00 – Artshow open
- 13:00 – Retro Art/ Hans Loose Auction (Hall 3 programme room)
- 15:00 to 17:00 – Art Auction (Hall 3 programme room)
- 17:00 to 18:00 – Special circumstances pickup

Monday

- 10:00 to 14:00 – Pickup and pay

Saturday WSFS Business Meeting

Lynn Anderson, Stephen Boucher, and Sue Francis were elected to the three vacant Mark Protection Committee positions. The new proposal to split the Best Professional Editor Hugo Award category into two categories — Best Editor Short Fiction and Best Editor Long Fiction — was moved to the head of the queue. A small horde of people headed by Mark Olson had fiddled about

with the wording and presented two alternate proposals — the proposal to split the editor Hugo and a proposal to change the wording of the current editor Hugo category to include mention of books. In short, the motion to split the Best Professional Editor category into two Best Fiction Editor categories passed 51 to 6 and this constitutional amendment will be passed along to the L.A.con IV business meeting for possible ratification.

The three proposals passed on from Noreascon 4 all passed. There was a bit of discussion on the first proposal (BDP: Movies and Television) to add clarification to the two Best Dramatic Presentation category sections to make sure that the voters really, really understand that long form means *theatrical features* and short form means *television programs*. The NP & FS committee shall be mucking about with the final wording of the amendment to (hopefully) further clarify the two categories.

The new proposal to tidy up some of the language in Article 3 of the WSFS Constitution was referred back to committee. The Worldcon site selection business was removed to the end of the meeting since site selection was not conducted at Interaction. Forms for the 2008 Worldcon site selection will be sent out to all Interaction members, funds permitting. Finally, there were some brief reports by the seated Worldcons, NASFiC, and Worldcon bidders, which were basically offers to answer questions. The meeting was adjourned *Sine Die* in memory of Kim Campbell.

Programme Changes

- 2460 Sunday 11:00 **George RR Martin Reading** – from L(Boisdale-2) to S(Hall5)
- 2670 Sunday 13:00 **Subverted Elves, Hard Assed Fairies with Attitude, and Dragons Taking Tea** from L(Dochart) to S(Hall5)
- 2790 Sunday 14:00 **When I Were A Lad, We Used To Dream of 64K** from M(Jura) to M(Argyll-1)
- 2770 Sunday 14:00 **Great Fans of History** from M(Argyll-1) to M(Jura)
- 2940 Sunday 15:30 **Alan Lee Slideshow** from S(Hall5) to L(Lomond)
- 2885 Sunday 15:30 **Space Science Sacrificed** from L(Lomond) to L(Dochart)

Other Programme Changes

- 2875 Sunday **Lord of the Rings** from 15:30 in L(Dochart) to 13:00 in A(Gala1)
- 2920 Sunday **Filk Concert: Three Weird Sisters** from 15:30 to 18:00
- NEW** Sunday 16:30 **Filk Concert: Simon Fairbourn** in M(Shuna)
- 3085 Sunday **Filk Concert: Andy & Martin GK** from 18:00 to 15:30

Flick's Party Report: Friday

of parties attended: 13

of cigarettes smoked: approx five (v pleased with sensible revised smoking policy in the Hilton)

of units alcohol: approx seven (not vg)

of ribbons acquired: one (and that was self awarded: not vg)

of stickers acquired: five, plus one pin badge (could do better)

of times official escort fell off stilettos: approx five (v funny)

Started evening in Fan Room for space pirate night, which I arbitrarily designated a party. Tattoos v good. Acquired Official Escort, to ensure a) no bourbon or cider was consumed, b) no falling off own stilettos, and c) was in bed at a reasonable time so that party report not so late this time. Rode open topped bus to parties: v exciting.

Chicago in 2008: acquired two stickers! Already v impressed. Also received v tasty punch and Oreos, although passed on the hot dogs, as large queue; later reports indicate that they were 'quite nice'. Began to develop a Good Feeling about the evening, following this superb start! Went to KC in 2009. Received sticker. Went to LA Con IV/ Nippon 2007 party. Had missed the saké, but did manage to get the last of the plum liqueur. V pretty room, with lots of nice sweets and tea and strawberries and things.

Redemption 07 party: very sparkly, but only beer and no stickers, so v sad. ZZ9 party had bouncy castle, but, again, only beer and no stickers! Was, however, asked to pass on the exciting news that the winner of the towel fu contest was Miriam Moss, who was able to remove Douglas' balls with a mouse trap (or something), and so should go to the ZZ9 sales table to collect her prize. Went to Friendly Norwegians party, only to be told that they had run out of stickers! Consoled by being given a pin badge instead. Acquired aquavit. Unfortunately, Official Escort neglected to sip her aquavit in a ladylike manner, and spent the rest of the evening falling off her stilettos.

Went to CostumeCon party, as Official Escort needed a little sit down. Very pretty party, owing to blue glowy things, costumes and pictures on wall. Did not manage to acquire a drinkie, but probably for the best, as had to attempt to keep Official Escort vertical. Went to Tootsitrap party. Finally found gin! And Tonic! And nice snacks! Was v impressed, although still no stickers. Went to Fantastic Queensland party. V cute stickers.

Eventually convinced lift to go where we wanted it, and popped into the Purely Potter party. Unfortunately, my Official Escort hasn't read the latest instalment, so our stay was cut short. Went to Sime~Gen party, where reception was v friendly even though we had no idea what Sime~Gen meant. Even after we read the leaflet that we got. Received v exciting temporary tattoos and tasty snacks, but sadly did not win the prize draw in honour of our visiting the party.

Alan Cash's book launch was winding up, so we just popped along for a brief chat. Official Escort fell off her stilettos but otherwise did not attempt to stop me: must acquire replacement for tomorrow. Suspect Pirate Night best party of evening, but may be biased.

Shuttle Bus Schedule

The continuous shuttle buses between the SECC and the Hilton will run from 22:00 to 03:00 today and Sunday. The buses leave the SECC from the bus stop in front of the Armadillo. They will return from the Hilton from the dropping-off point, approximately ten meters from the front door.

Masquerade Seating

The Masquerade prime seating lottery winners are Wilf James, Kim Banham, John Wilson, Simoné Vanzyl, and Mickey Blake.

The reserved seating block will be held until 19:45 for volunteers, staff, and Friends of the UK in 2005 bid.

Microphone Test

Sean McMullen: "How am I sounding, by the way?"

Cory Doctorow: "Australian."

Lost and Found

A credit card was left at the Fantasy Centre table in Hall 3.

Mark Protection Committee

The WSFS Mark Protection Committee will meet on Sunday in the Forth Room at 11:00.

With Stars in My Eyes

Peter Weston will sign his Hugo-nominated book, **With Stars in My Eyes**, at the NESFA sales table, Hall 3, Monday 11:00.

Extra Alan Lee Signing

Alan Lee will have an additional signing at the front of Hall 5 from 11:00 to 12:00 Sunday. Copies of his **The Lord of the Ring Sketchbook** (not yet published) are available at the Sales to Members table in Hall 2.

Volunteers Are Still Needed

Please go to the Volunteer area (Gopher Hole) in the middle of Hall 2 and help run this con. You will meet people with similar interests and make new friends.

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Dateline: Sunday 14:00

Masquerade: "Best Run, Ever"

The Interaction masquerade started on time, and kept on schedule throughout. Co-MC's Teddy and Sue Mason were witty and charming, even though Sue got to tell only one of her cat stories, because of the lack of delays. The quality of the entries was very high. The production made good use of the Armadillo, and the lighting was especially beautiful.

The half-time entertainment was a presentation of "Ready, Steady, Sew!", also known as "Iron Costumer". Two teams competed to create costumes in 45 minutes. The costumes had to include a secret ingredient announced at the start of the competition. This time the secret ingredient was Teddy and Sue. The bonus ingredient was two sets of business class in-flight salt and pepper shakers. The winners were Team Europe with Sue outfitted as a fuzzy blonde Marilyn Monroe, with the salt and pepper shakers strategically placed and adorned with tassels. Team America turned in an equally excellent entry with Teddy as a femme pontiff, bearing a beautiful silver staff, and the salt and pepper shakers deployed the same way as on Sue's costume.

In a miracle of precision, even as the techs cleared away the sewing machines and left-over material from the half-time show, the judges were ready with the results. Congratulations to all the entrants, judges, staff, and volunteers for a very well run masquerade.

Save the Convention!

Contribute to our living record of fannish history. If you have photographs of Interaction and are willing to share, please bring memory sticks, compact flash, SD or almost any digital format except XD to the fan history exhibit next to the Stargate.

Press Office

Take a look at the press office in the SECC foyer for a wall display of current press clippings and internet printouts from, among others, *The Times*, *Guardian*, *Scotsman* and *BBC Online*. Feel "out" and proud.

Overheard

From a taxi driver last night: "I've just seen a Klingon in a kilt. You don't see that very often. Not even in Glasgow".

Rogue Farm

"In the near future, in a remote corner of Scotland, a couple scratch a living from the barren land around their isolated hill farm. Memories of a war that has left the world broken haunt them as they try to lead a normal life. But a remarkable stranger arrives at their lonely outpost and their lives begin to take a shape they couldn't possibly have imagined."

Japanese anime meets cyber Scotland - that's the premise of *Rogue Farm*, a short story by Charles Stross — and now an intriguing animated short film directed by Mark Bender and Garry Marshall. We're delighted to be showing this film in Hall 5 at 6 pm today — and that Mark and Garry have come along to introduce it, and to hold a Q&A session afterwards.

How non-Scottish people describe the taste of Irn-Bru:

"Liquefied gummi bears"

"Like creamy soda -- kind of"

"Bubbligum"

"Like some kind of mouthwash"

"Indescribable"

"Almost like Haribo gold beans"

"Like Stroh, but not as nice"

"Horrible, disgusting. Far, far, too sweet — you can feel your teeth bubbling and dissolving as you drink it!"

Middle Eastern Dance Party

There will be a dance party on Sunday, 19:00-20:30 M(Argyll 3). Middle-Eastern themed, feel free to bring your favourite CDs or drummers.

Eastercon 2006

Enjoying a major SF convention in Glasgow? Want another? Eastercon, the UK's annual National SF convention, is coming to Glasgow in 2006. "Concussion" 14-17 April, Moat House Hotel. Join in Hall 2! — rates go up after Worldcon.

Looking for Agents

Denmark won the bid for Eurocon 2007 and are looking for agents. We have already covered the Nordics, the Baltics and Belgium/France. If your country is not covered yet, get in touch: contact@fantasticon.dk See you in Copenhagen in 2007.

Become a Space Cadet!

Join L.A. Con IV at the table in Hall 2 before the rate goes up on September 12, 2005.

Lucas Back in Anger

The video will be shown at Eastercon 2006, but won't be commercially available.

Hugo Award Ceremony Seating

The Clyde Auditorium has ample space to accommodate everyone who wishes to attend tonight's Hugo Award Ceremony, but there will probably be a bit of a crush going in.

To smooth the process, please observe the following:

Doors will open at 19:00. The Ceremony will begin at 20:00.

Rows A through F in the stalls (orchestra) are reserved for Hugo nominees, awards presenters and their guests, except for seats in Row B (left side) that are set aside for visually impaired members. Row G, seats 1 through 14 (right side) are reserved for the press. See David Stewart in the Press Office for access.

The remainder of the front stalls (Rows G through M) are reserved for Guests of Honour, committee, area heads, staff, volunteers, program participants and Friends of UK '05, until 15 minutes before the performance.

The centre sections of rows N and P are reserved for staff/volunteers whose duties prevent them from arriving before the last minute.

Space for wheel chairs and scooters is located in the wings of the stalls. Please ask a Convention Centre steward for assistance.

Rucksacks and large packages are not allowed into the auditorium. They must be checked with the cloak room.



Special Guest Alan Lee shows off his name in the Souvenir Book

Welsh SF Association Party

Welsh Science Fiction Association (WSFA) will host a party tonight. 21:00 Cardhu suite on the 4th floor of the Hilton.

Complaints, complaints

In the Gripes of Wrath panel, the imaginary convention feedback session, John Toon complained that "the panel on non-linear time was too long, too short and frankly made no sense"

Nova Awards

Irish and UK fanzine editors: 2005 Nova Awards deadline is 30 September. Send publications to be listed on the Nova Ballot forms to 33 Scott Road, Olton, Solihull, B92 7LQ by 7 October. A full set of the rules is at www.novacon.org (Non-UK/Irish fanzines are ineligible but are welcome and listed in the regular bulletins.)

What is this "book" thing?

Cory Doctorow and Becky Heydemann discuss the nature of books, the idea of a book and what can be done with books, as concept and object. 17:00 Sunday M(Fan Lounge)

Quarter Off

After 12:00 today, get 25% discount at Fantasy Medway Ltd. in the dealers' room.

Correction: Artshow

Best in Show Children
Eric Weingart Aged 10
Piece: *Cearth*
(not *Earth*, as printed in #9)

IO

Calling Glasgow fans! Are you in IO? Were you in IO? Do you know anyone who was in IO? Munchkin wants your details as he appears to have volunteered for something silly. Contact him via the voodoo board or buy him a pint. Thank you.

The Ultimate Encyclopedia of Science Fiction

The third edition of *The Encyclopedia of Science Fiction* by John Clute, David Langford and Peter Nicholls, published by Orbit, will be an online version, with new and revised entries and regular monthly updates. For more information come to the Orbit stand in the Dealers Room.

Jo Fletcher will sign books for Staff and Gophers in the Alsh room at 15:00 Sunday

British Costuming Discussion

Calling all fans who are interested in any aspect of costuming. Come to the discussion of British costuming Monday 13:00 M(Argyll 1). Feel free to bring your lunch!

Three Weird Sisters

The Three Weird Sisters "family reunion" concert will take place Sunday 18:00 in M(Shuna). This will be the first time all the sisters perform together since Gwen moved to London. We've expanded our seating and hope to see you there!

Hilton request

At the Hilton-based parties, please give priority to disabled people when moving around the party areas.

Faye Ringel Handouts

Handouts for Faye Ringel's talk in the academic track can be picked up at the Information table or from Faye.

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Zara Baxter, Tom Becker, Jan van't Ent, Lisa Lagergren — We'd also like to thank our wonderful newsletter distribution team!





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News at Interaction

Editorial Team: Yellow Pearls

Dateline: Sunday 18:00

Programme Changes

3200 Monday 11:00 **Subverting the Traditions of Fantasy**

Moved from L(Alsh-1) to L (Carron)

3215 Monday 11:00 **The World We are Making Now: Politics**

Moved from: L(Carron) to L (Alsh-1)

3295 Monday 12:00 **Jim Burns Slideshow** Moved from

L(Carron) to L(Lomond)

40 **Human Psychology and Long Distance Spaceflight**

Time change to Monday 10:00 L (Alsh-1)

New Monday 12:00

Spintronics: A New Spin on Electronics L(Dochart)

Spintronics uses nano-engineered materials to harness the spin of the electron as well as its charge. IBM researcher Kevin Roche explains how it works and where it might be going in terms promised not to make your head spin.

Overheard

"Mummy, I like this place" – Young Adult leaving the YAFA outside event where Vincent Docherty, convention co-chairman, helped explode a plastic bucket, YAFA beret, and other items.

Esther Friesner: I never understood why the knights of the round table went hunting for the Holy Grail. I just thought it was something they had to do.

Justina Robson: Like go to IKEA?

Overheard at the masquerade; Stage crew to Tech, "We need an MP3 stick for the Gnomes."

Frank Wu on Ready Steady Sew, "Happiness is a warm glue gun."

Ribbon Envy

Following a study by the Interaction Study Group, it has been discovered that fans without ribbons feel deprived. To alleviate this situation, all ribbonless fans will be issued special ribbons made out of our revolutionary invisible fabric.

Interaction Merchandise

The Sales To Members table in Hall 2 has T-shirts, bags, pins and much more! Orders are being taken for any out of stock sizes. Note that they are accepting GRT coupons! Stop by to pick up a souvenir with your volunteer money. 30 Limited Edition souvenir books, and regular hardbacks are available. Limited Edition Jim Burns Spaceport prints can be bought from Art Show tomorrow morning.

Have van, will get free?

There is a VAN LOAD of old SF Magazines available in Glasgow looking for a home. The collection will not be split. If you would like a van load of magazines, please put your name on the list with the donation that you would like to make at Electrical Eggs.

The Hugos and the Web

A committee created on Friday will consider changes to the Hugo rules concerning the use of the web for publishing. A mailing list has been set up: hugoweb@yahogroups.com
Contacts: Peter Wilkinson hugoweb@pwilkinson.cix.co.uk
Tim Illingworth tim@smofs.org.

Eye of Argon Reading

Reading will be held in the Fan Lounge at 23:00

Hugo Lottery Winners

The Winners of the Hugo Lottery are: 1st Juan San Miguel, 2nd Sammi Owens, 3rd M L Nuggebbey, 4th Kjeirtfin Arnorsson and 5th Spring Schoenhuth. Please come to the Armadillo @ 19:45 to claim your seating.

Gopher Prize Draws.

The Daily prize draws are now one large draw. Those who have worked between 5 and 15 hours at con, are entitled to one of the book plates, autographed by authors at the con. Those who have worked over 16 hours have a choice of autographed book plate, and will be included in a draw for items in shorter supply. Books, T-shirts, hand towels, DVDs, sets of all 12 GRTs, volunteer only T-shirts, memberships to the 2006 and 2007 Worldcons, 2006 Eastercon and 2005 Novacon. Come to the Gopher hole at 13:00 on Monday to collect your prizes.

Make sure that your hours are registered before 12:00 Monday to qualify for the draw.

Whither GUFF?

After discussions were held by a group of Australian SMOF, the view was that GUFF would do enough to cover Great Britain / Europe to Australia. Australia is likely to have Worldcons once every decade. Northern Europe might have more. The discussion continues. J J Styles

For YAFA Parents

Can parents of YAFA participants please keep their phones on, even on vibrate, so that they can be contacted if necessary?

The European Science Fiction Society has voted on the ESFS awards

Best Publisher: Nature, United Kingdom
Best Writer: Marina and Sergey Dyachenko, Ukraine
Best Artist: Sergey Poyarkov, Ukraine
Best Magazine: Galaktika, Hungary
Best Promoter: Alain Le Bussy, Belgium
Best Translator: Kees van Toorn, Netherlands

Would you trust this man to run a Worldcon?



Chemistry Teacher Stand in
Yafa faced a disaster today upon discovering that they had broken their Chemist by working her into the ground. The Big Bang item this afternoon saw an Emma King stand-in, one Vince Docherty. Some of the young adults who had been with Emma all week viewed this with scepticism. "Are you qualified to do this?" Vince was asked, before going on to explain that he was a trained Chemist and had caused explosions in the past— "Controlled ones" he hastened to add.

Party Supplies

Party Hosts – remember not to dump any unused party supplies, you do not have drag them back with you. Donate them to the Staff party tomorrow. All donations gratefully accepted.

Jane Fletcher Signing

Jane Fletcher will sign copies of her books at the Fantasy (Medway) Ltd stand, shortly after her Monday 12:00 panel.

LOST AND FOUND

Shoes

Last night at the Hilton parties somebody walked off with my size 6 black high heel shoes. Would the finder please return them to Sally Turcato c/o the Gopher Hole.

Lost GRTs

A prominent fan lost 7 GRTs at the Swedish Party last night.

Please deliver the originals or replacements to the Newsletter Office where they will be gratefully received.

Foam Core Prize

Win a prize at the Fan Room for the most entertaining use of the prize.

Results of Runaround.

Sundays Runaround was won by Ivan Sinha. Quizmaster Robert Newman commented "He's played it before; I should have written some new questions!"

Fifth Timer Ribbons

Fifth timers can collect ribbons from the information desk if they didn't get one at the party on Thursday.

Didier Cottier, winner of "The Best in the Art Show, was sponsored for his visit to Worldcon by French Fandom.

Winner of 2007 Eurocon

70 votes in total: Ireland 16, Denmark 51, spoilt votes 3. Eurocon 2007 will be in Copenhagen. Eurocon 2006 is in Kiev, Ukraine: April '06
More info in A1sh 1 at 12:00.

Congratulations! Denmark

The Eurocon 2007 in Ireland bid team extends its warmest congratulations to the Danish bid committee who were ultimately the winners. Eurocon 2007 in Copenhagen promises to be an excellent convention. *David Stewart*

Sweden Linköping SF Group

Meets 1st Tuesdays and 3rd Thursdays each month.

www.lysator.liu.se/lsff

Www.lysator.liu.se/confuse

Speaking Double Dutch

All Dutch Speaking Fans who would like to meet up with others, come to the Caffè Ritazza at 11am on Monday. Tot dan!

New ESFS Committee

The ESFS has elected new officers at the Business meeting.

Chair: Dave Lally (Ireland)

Vice-Chair: Roberto Quaglia.

Secretary: Bridget Wilkinson(UK)

Treasurer: Piotr Cholewa (Poland)

Swedish fan meeting

In Gothenburg, Sweden, fans meet every first Tuesday of the month at the Rover, 2:a Langgatan, or the Science Fiction bookstore, Ostor Lamgatan 16. We also have a new multi-genre Science Fiction club called(SF)³ for SF, Fantasy, Horror and Media.

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Lucia Bibolini, Neyir Cenk Gökçe, Wilf James, Cameron Taylor





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News at Interaction

Editorial Team: It's not easy being green

Dateline: Too early on monday

Armadillo Launch Scheduled for 15:00!

The WSFS *Armadillo* will leave Glasgow for Alpha Centauri on the first leg of its galaxy-spanning maiden cruise. Due to relativistic effects, she is not expected back at Glasgow for several centuries so we expect a fine send-off from the city.

Please join Commodore Sir Vincent Docherty, Rt. Hon. Sir Colin Harris, KBE, Captain Standlee and the rest of the crew and guests for the Closing Ceremony & Lift Off in Hall 5 of Spaceport Glasgow starting at 15:00. Come wish the WSFS *Armadillo* bon voyage and meet the organisers of L.A.con IV, next year's World Science Fiction Convention in Anaheim, California on Wednesday 23 August – Sunday 27 August 2006. Doors are scheduled to open at 14:40.



Captain Standlee prepares for lift off

The Last Programme Change

3440 Monday 14:00 **Elements of the Fantastic in Musicals** from L(Dochart) to L(Carron)

Member count

4100 members
as of Sunday 17:00

Hugo Awards Ceremony

With true Scottish efficiency, this year's ceremony may have been the shortest modern Hugo Awards Ceremony on record. Hosts Kim Newman and Paul McAuley started the evening with an introduction to the alternate history of the Hugo Awards and the man they were named after, Victor Hugo. (I hope their opening speech gets published because it was brilliant.)

The First Fandom Hall of Fame Award was presented by Keith Stokes and accepted by Fred Prophet for Howard DeVore. Pat Sims, Steve and Sue Francis presented the Big Heart Award to Walter Ernsting, John-Henri Holmberg, and Ina Shorrock. The James White Award was presented for the first time at a Worldcon by James Bacon to Elizabeth Hopkinson. The Interaction committee chose to pre-

sent a Special Committee Award to David Pringle.

The full Hugo Award voting statistics have been posted to the Interaction web site.



Sue Mason's Best Fan Artist Hugo

Attention Volunteers!

Please return your timesheets to the Gopher Hole in Hall 2 by noon if you are not working any afternoon shifts.

Don't forget to attend the volunteer and staff party in Argyll-1 in the Moat House starting at 21:00 on Monday evening. Come relax and have a drink on the convention after break-down.

Wondrous Things

If you did not receive a copy of our *Wondrous Things* CD, please stop by the Registration table in Hall 1. This CD holds publications, images, and items of interest related to Interaction; including historic information about previous UK Worldcons and material provided by friends.

Transport to Glasgow Airport

The Information Desk has details of buses from the city centre to Glasgow Airport, and a map showing the location of bus stops in the city centre.

Best Party List — Short Form

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|------------------------|---------------------|-------|
| <i>Volunteer Party</i> | Moat House Argyll-1 | 21:00 |
| <i>Dead Dog Party</i> | Moat House Argyll-2 | 21:00 |

Flick's Party Report: Saturday

- # of parties attended: 11
- # of alcohol units: approx five thousand (darling young man from BWB to blame, but almost entirely gin, so ok really)
- # of ribbons acquired: two (although only one for self; other given to Official Escort)
- # of stickers acquired: six (one of which was of an obviously superior grade, and so is now gracing lid of iBook)
- # of times Official Escort fell off own stilettos: approx three (but did spend much of the evening sitting down in corridor)
- # of soft toys acquired: two (am v impressed with Australia!)

Decided that Official Escort would be given one last try, provided she promised not to drink aquavit. Also took along Blonde Zombie Mafia, until they got distracted by brains. Open-topped bus still cool.

Went to N4 Thank You party. Was v impressed by Cava and raspberries, also by giant strawberries and nibbles in general. Went to KC in 2009 / Montreal in 2009. Kansas much improved by the addition of Montreal, although spam was a strange choice of nibble. Very excited to try traditional Canadian maple syrup, snow taffy and thing that was a bit like a Wagon Wheel, only with cake instead of biscuit: v yummy. Went to Chicago in 2008, although didn't stay long as a) much the same as last night (but still good) and b) was greeted on door with a cry of "You're the bouncy woman! You have to stay and meet someone!" Am sure did not bounce in Chicago on Friday, so v bemused by this. Did note that they had remembered to put booze in the alcoholic punch this time.

Am awarding nil points to Columbus in 2008, due to lack of party. However, later looked in and found that Impromptucon had taken over the room. Impromptucon seemed somewhat disorganised, but was very friendly.

Did, however, attend Brotherhood Without Banners, where there was a gingerbread castle! V exciting, although I had to be careful not to knock it over with giant skirt I was wearing. Official Escort very happy to receive mead, personally more happy to later receive nice refreshing pint of G and T. Felt that this more than made up for lack of stickers. Popped into Bitchwitch party but presence of G and T in BWB party meant that I did not have to stay for too long, for which was v glad as find there's only so much goth angst one can take.

Received v attentive press tour of Swedish Fandom, including sticker: v exciting! Moose salami was lovely, although Wormwood vodka nasty. Was even more impressed that I continued to receive treats throughout evening, although v naughty that one of those included aquavit for the Official Escort. Also received special treatment from Australia In 2010, again v exciting. Could get used to being pampered member of press. Acquired two stickers, a koala bear and a small stuffed penguin, which fitted very nicely in my cleavage. Later attempts by Con Co-Chair to acquire similar penguin resulted in his having to join the con.

Popped into SFSA for sticker and tasty tasty biltong, but did not stay long due to increasingly strong urgings of the Blonde Zombie Mafia that we move on to the Anonymous Claire party, which was v exciting, requiring special secret knowledge quiz to get in. Sadly, Douglas had managed to acquire soda water, not tonic water, due to bottle confusion.

Finally, popped up to 1/2R's birthday celebrations, where OE unfortunately ate the fruit from her punch. Later, settled into small heap of lovely people in a corridor, and listened to Con Co-Chair as he vainly protested that, really, he was only stroking her penguin to stop it from falling out. Many other things may have happened after this point, but pencil stopped working, and so shall draw veil over salacious details of the early morning.

Grateful Thanks

A million thanks to the thoughtful fan who found my name badge on the train, and turned it in to operations. – Patrick Molloy

Lost Glasses, Part One

Lost: glasses in hard case, reddish in colour. If found, please take to Operations lost and found. Thank you.

Lost Glasses, Part Two

Lost: one pair of Ray Bans prescription sunglasses with slim frames and dark black lenses; most likely in a dark blue case. Please ring 07791 181442

Lost and Found

This seems like a good point to remind everyone that our Lost & Found box is located in the Interaction Operations Office in the SECC Concourse.

Susan Peak, Please Voodoo!

Could Susan Peak please peek at the Voodoo board for messages.

Hum & Sway

At the 4UK party on Thursday Peter Weston conducted a "hum & sway" ceremony, the first in British Fandom since 1977, at which the Spirit of Trufandom was invoked. If anyone has pictures please contact Peter on pr.weston@btinternet.com.

Shipping Deals

The shippers at the back of the Dealers' Room (near the Art Show) are offering good deals for next day delivery in Great Britain. Check for details.

Octocon Memberships

Interaction volunteers can join Octocon for only £10. Join at the ZZ9 stand in the Dealers' Room.

MacMillan Cancer Relief

Thank you. Your very kind donations allow us to help over ten families affected by cancer.

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was brought to you by:

Lucia Bibolini, Michael Nelson, the colour Green, and the numbers 4, 8, and 12 — *Please! No more black pudding!*





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News at Interaction

Editorial Team: Lilac

Dateline: Monday pm (nearly "time to home")

VOLUNTEERS

Groats / Gopher Reward Tokens will be issued up to 15:00* when the Gopher Hole closes. The SECC catering outlets and the Offworld Design/Sales to Members table will accept them up to 15:00* too. The Moat House Fan Bar area should be accepting groats until midnight. If we keep buying food and drink then they may stay accepting them longer.

Closedown Sale

The auction of stuff will be in the Volunteer Party (in (M)Argyll-1) at about 22:00. Staff and volunteers only, though. Items include USB data keys and stuff not pre-bid. Prices could be low.

Anything you have won in the write-in auction can also be picked up and paid for at this time. Note this is a change from the time and place previously published.

Overheard in News Room

What's worrying is that the spell-checker still thinks Quidditch is wrong, but it's happy with YAFA.

Babies

It's just a wee bit early to tell if there are any Interaction babies on the way, but we can announce that Michelle Hiley, who managed the advance Information email system for us for a long time, had a son early last week. She's refusing to call him Hugo. Congratulations to Paul and Michelle.

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The Dowd family like a small port every now again – Felixstowe, or maybe Lowestoft or as we're in Scotland – Oban.



The Sproutlore Party

James Bacon and Stef Lancaster stand guard outside the Sproutlore party to help maintain its atmosphere of quiet respectable dignity.

Space Shuttle Delayed, Armadillo On Schedule

Due to low cloud cover, NASA's ageing shuttle's return had to be delayed by a day. The weather over Scotland is fine, and such minor details wouldn't hinder the Armadillo's departure, so passengers boarded according to schedule. Bon voyage!

Boxing Clever

There is a Staples shop (large stationery chain) by the train station – if you want to get boxes, plastic crates etc. to put your many purchases in for transport home, this could be a good place to go.

We're sending in Ray Liotta

To the American fan with his first pint of real ale, who discreetly wandered off and

poured it down the drain: we saw you ...

On t'Internet

Make a note for when you get home – there are loads of con reports, panel reviews, awards discussions etc. already up on the Interwebthingy. Most of the best ones can be found via www.livejournal.com/community/inter_action/ Online pdfs of the newsletter are being temporarily hosted on www.distraction.org.uk/interaction/

TAFF

The number of candidates for TAFF to go to LA next year has doubled in the past week. Existing candidates Bug and ½R have been joined by Sparks and Fran Dowd Sofa, who both confirmed their intent to stand at Interaction.

*because of publishing timetables use of a time machine may be necessary to make full use of this information

Final report from our glamorous party correspondent Flick

No of stickers acquired: three
No of Hugos vicariously acquired: four
No of parties attended: eight
Length of time spent waiting to get food and drink:
approx seven days



Went to Hugos. V excited, due to excessive number of Hugos won by Cabal and friends thereof. Yay!

Went to Denver In 2008. Boldly resisted when they attempted to corrupt me with cider, even when they pointed out that Official Escort was not there to stop me.

Went to Sproutlore: Mh-inge! Acquired Official Escort! V sad re: absence of Robert Rankin following embarrassing bowel-related disorder; signed get well soon card.

Went to Finland! Acquired sticker and vodka and tonic, but was somewhat crowded.

Went to Texas. In keeping with theme, room was incredibly hot. Acquired funky gold stickers.

Went to Welsh party. V impressed to receive gin and tonic as soon as walked through door. Sadly, no stickers.

Went to Sparkypoo party. Mmmm... gin and pretty hair! Then went to Christian Fandom party. Fortunately had Hugo as conversation starter.

Returned to Sproutlore party. Much chanting of Hugo, Chairman and similar. Received copy of previous Newsletter. V sad that have been edited out of existence, but enjoyed spoof greatly.

Went to Moscow and received sticker. Also vodka. Not sure where from.

Returned to Fan Room on grounds of wanting to show off Hugo. Drank poo and did astral pole. Oops.

At another little event down the road

HE'S SPARTACVS... make their Edinburgh Fringe debut this August with two new plays, *Groom* and *Stockholm*, both by David Wake. These hard-hitting productions were well received in their preview shows at the Birmingham *fringe* and picked up awards (Best Dramatic Moment, Best Original Script and the Will Horton Trophy) at the Birmingham regional heats of the All England Theatre Festival.

David recently scripted, starred in and directed *The Audience*

Participation Richard III for Paragon2, this year's Eastercon in the UK.

Info & images:
www.davidwake.com/spartacus

Restaurant Review – Café Cossachok 10 King St.

Went looking for authentic Russian – ended up getting more authentic than we bargained for – live entertainment by a troupe of Russian gypsies from Moscow. Wasn't sure about this at first, as we had been planning to have a quiet meal and early

night, but by the third song I thought "sod the early night, I'm enjoying this". So we stayed on for pudding and another beer. Good decision! Sadly, the Russian gypsies have gone off to perform at the Edinburgh Festival, but the food and the beer are still well worth the trip.

Correction

In issue 12 we incorrectly reported that Walter Ernsting had received The Big Heart Award. The true recipient is Waldemar Kumming.

An All Round Good Egg

When Robert Rankin was unable to do the Harry Potter reading for YAFA, Iain Banks stepped in to fill the gap. This was his only item as he's here as a fan, and YAFA feel very honoured.

Coffee

No-one managed to find a coffee machine for the newsroom. And we've had to give the grinder back. So if the newsteam seem particularly excitable this evening, it's because we're reduced to eating whole coffee beans alternating with mouthfuls of Maya Gold chocolate. Whee !! Bouncy !!

Thanks

Many area heads, division heads and other talking heads have asked us to put thanks in the newsletter to their staff. We cannot run an issue with just thanks, so we are printing a generic thanks.

If you have done anything to make this convention a success:

Thankyou

The newsletter editors would especially like to thank everyone who submitted information, whether we used it or not.



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News at Interaction

Editorial Team: Lilac

Dateline: Sunday Morning 10:00



Masquerade Winner Miki Dennis

More photos and details of Masquerade results later today

Roller Blade Quidditch

Against my better judgement, I found myself helping with roller blade Quidditch, at YAFA (health and safety wouldn't allow us to use our supply of flying brooms, so we had to improvise). My task was ensuring that ejected kids came to a halt before they ran into anything hard or pointy. Amazingly, there were no serious injuries.

Stop by YAFA in Hall 3 to see what other dangerous activities for children James Bacon has planned - *James Shields*

Art Auction Clarifications

The "Retro Art" auction at 13:00-14:00 Sunday is the Hans Loos estate collection. There are many pieces by significant artists from the last 30 years, available with prices as low as £10. If the art is not sold this weekend, the executors of Hans' estate may simply throw it away, so all are urged to come and bid on it.

The rest of art going to auction from the Art Show will be sold on Sunday 15:00-17:00. Pay and pick up your art purchases

on Monday 10:00-14:00 at the Art Show information desk. If you need to leave the convention earlier due to special circumstances, such as a plane to catch, and can show your ticket, you may arrange to pick up art Sunday 17:00-18:00.

Free In-Flight Magazines

Ion Trails, the in-flight magazine of the WSFS Armadillo, is available at the Events Desk in front of the costume exhibit in Hall 2. Pick up your free copy while supplies last. *Ion Trails* features a cover by Hugo Award-winning artist Frank Wu, and articles by Jay Lake, Ruth Nestvold, Rhys Hughes, Ken MacLeod, Ian Watson, Glenda Lake, Jeffrey Ford, Andrew J. Wilson, Julia E. McKenna, Sean McMullen, Simon McGrory, Karen Traviss, and others. It describes many of the places the Armadillo will visit during its maiden voyage, plus technical details about the ship.

More of the Mystery

Duncan Lunan's Saturday talk on the mediaeval mystery of the Green Children of Woolpit had a capacity audience and a lot of people were turned away. Many aspects of the story couldn't be covered in the 30 minutes available. Duncan will cover more of it in his reading on Monday at 12.30, in the Fyne Room of the Loch Suite.

Apology

Due to an expected addition to Norwegian fandom in 2006, I would like to apologize to any programme participants who might have caught me napping during your items. I have no control! - *Cristina Pulido Ulvang*

Finance Desk Open Sunday

Finance Office will have a desk in Registration between 14:00 and 16:00 Sunday for the payment of expenses and to accept payment of Interaction hotel rooms (you know who you are!).

Sidewise Awards

The Sidewise Awards for Alternate History were conceived in late 1995 to honour the best genre publications of the year. The first Sidewise Awards were announced in Summer 1996 at L.A.Con III. This year's winners (presented at Interaction):

Best Long Form

Philip Roth, *The Plot Against America* (Houghton Mifflin)

Best Short Form

Warren Ellis, *The Ministry of Space* (Image Comics)

As Heard From

Loud screeching and flapping noises were heard in the committee meeting along with an exclamation of "Don't tell me the aliens are in the ducts again." Only seagulls.

Spaceport Glasgow Closedown Sale

Interaction has bought a number of items, printer/scanners, DVD players, electric string, hammers etc. After WSFS Armadillo departs they will not be needed. You can bid to buy these items. A folder with the items listed on bid sheets will be in the Gopher Hole (Hall 2) from early Sunday morning. The highest sensible bid will win. Last bid will be at 12:00 on Monday. Pickup of items will be at Registration (Hall 1) from 16:00 Monday. Anything not bid on will be sold in the Dead Dog party.

What it is to be famous

At the panel titled "Cult of Personality," Friday evening in front of hundreds of fans, Terry

Artshow Prizes

Awarded by a panel comprising Artshow Area Head, Julie Faith Rigby; Artist, Anne Sudworth; Hero of the Convention, David Tompkins; and Co-Chairs, Vince Docherty and Colin Harris.

Best In Show

Didier Cottier Piece: Les Retrouvailles

Runners Up

Alan Marques Piece: Decaying Artifact

SMS Piece: Sunfly

John Harris Piece: Corridors of Time

Best In Show Children

Eric Weingart Aged 10 Piece: Earth

Best In Show Young Adult

Leah Heywood Aged 12 Piece: Tree

Area Head Choice

Chosen by Artshow Area Head, Julie Faith Rigby

Danny Flynn Piece: Fevre Dream

Artshow Staff Choice

Chosen by Artshow Staff

David A Hardy Piece: Ice Cliffs of Miranda

Anne Sudworth Piece: The Path to Secret Places

Jim Burns Piece: Spaceport Glasgow

Popular Choice

Chosen by popular ballot of Artshow visitors.

Best 2 Dimensional

John Harris Piece: Starfarers

Best 3 Dimensional

Didier Cottier Piece: Les Retrouvailles

Brooks said he only realised he was famous when his 15-year-old son was impressed that he knew George Lucas. Next, he will impress that same, now older, son, by saying he is a good friend of fellow panellist Terry Pratchett. Anne McCaffrey, at the same panel, welcomed her fans to visit her in her home in Ireland, "the house that dragons built," she said with a smile.

The Groat Project

Volunteers will have noticed that the reverse of the groats have a currency theme. The images are inspired by real money and partly by SF stories and themes. There are 12 different designs to collect. You can trade or ask the Gopher Hole for any you are missing.

A framed set of all twelve, taken from the actual print run and twelve individual prints of the artwork at a larger size have been in the art show. They were marked as not for sale but anyone interested in buying any of them should see John Dowd at the Newsletter office in Hall 2.

CUSFS

Current and former members of Cambridge University SF Society (CUSFS) and Jömsborg the New are invited to meet in the Hilton Hotel con bar on Sunday, from 22:00.

As others see us

A fan was approached on the concourse and asked what was happening. The person said that he had been sent here by the Tourist Office to go people watching.

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was brought to you by:

John Dowd, Fran Dowd, Jan van 't Ent, Lucia Bibolini (who we forgot last time) and all those people who typed articles before I got here.





The Port Authority

News at Interaction

Editorial Team: Lilac

Dateline: Sunday 22:00

Hugo Award Winners for 2005

Best Novel:

Jonathan Strange & Mr Norrell

by **Susanna Clarke**

Best Novella:

The Concrete Jungle

by **Charles Stross**

Best Novelette:

The Faery Handbag

by **Kelly Link**

Best Short Story:

Travels with My Cats

by **Mike Resnick**

Best Related Book:

The Cambridge Companion to Science Fiction

Edited by **Edward James** and **Farah Mendlesohn**

Best Dramatic Presentation, Long Form:

The Incredibles

Written & Directed by **Brad Bird**

Best Dramatic Presentation, Short Form:

33 - Battlestar Galactica

Written by **Ronald D. Moore**
Directed by **Michael Rymer**

Best Professional Editor:

Ellen Datlow

Best Professional Artist:

Jim Burns

Best Semiprozine:

Ansible

Edited by **David Langford**



Best Fanzine:

Plokta

Edited by **Alison Scott**,
Steve Davies and **Mike Scott**

Best Fan Writer:

David Langford

Best Fan Artist:

Sue Mason

Best Web Site:

SciFiction

(www.scifi.com/scifiction)

Edited by **Ellen Datlow**.

Craig Engler, general manager

John W. Campbell Award for Best New Writer (not a Hugo Award):

Elizabeth Bear

Special Interaction Committee Award (not a Hugo Award):

David Pringle

How You Voted

A total of 684 ballots were cast of which 552 were electronic. (There were no invalid ballots.)

Full sets of the voting statistics will be available at the Newsletter office in Hall 2 after 10:00 Monday. The preferential voting system is a transferable voting system that ensures a fair result but can be difficult to follow.

Finishing Order

The nominations in each category are listed in finishing order. Details of the nominations are in The Souvenir Book page 89.

Best Novel:

Jonathan Strange & Mr Norrell
River of Gods
The Algebraist
Iron Sunrise
Iron Council

Best Novella:

The Concrete Jungle
Sergeant Chip
Elector
Winterfair Gifts
Time Ablaze

Best Novelette:

The Faery Handbag
The Clapping Hands of God
Biographical Notes ...
The People of Sand and Slag
The Voluntary State

Best Short Story:

Travels with My Cats
The Best Christmas Ever
A Princess of Earth
Shed Skin
Decisions

Best Related Book:

The Cambridge Companion to Science Fiction
With Stars in My Eyes: My Adventures in British Fandom
Futures: 50 Years in Space: The Challenge of the Stars
Dancing Naked: The Unexpurgated William Tenn, Volume 3
The Best of Xero

Best Dramatic Presentation, Long Form:

The Incredibles
Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind
Spider-Man 2
Sky Captain and The World of Tomorrow
Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban

Best Dramatic Presentation, Short Form:

"33" – *Battlestar Galactica*
"Smile Time" – *Angel*
"Heroes Part 1 & 2" – *Stargate SG-1*
"Not Fade Away" – *Angel*
"Pilot Episode" – *Lost*

Best Professional Editor

Ellen Datlow
Gardner Dozois
David G. Hartwell
Gordon Van Gelder
Stanley Schmidt

Best Professional Artist:

Jim Burns
Donato Giancola
Frank Kelly Freas
Bob Eggleton
John Picacio

Best Semiprozine:

Ansible
Interzone
Locus
The New York Review of Science Fiction
The Third Alternative

Best Fanzine:

Plokta
Emerald City
Banana Wings
Chunga
Challenger }

Best Fan Writer:

David Langford
Cheryl Morgan
Claire Brialey
Steven H Silver
Bob Devney

_____ } Indicates a tie

Best Fan Artist:

Sue Mason
Frank Wu
Steve Stiles
Brad Foster
Teddy Harvia

Best Web Site:

SciFiction
(www.scifi.com/scifiction)
Locus Online
(www.locusmag.com)
Emerald City
(www.emcit.com)
Strange Horizons
(www.strangehorizons.com)
eFanzines
(www.efanzines.com)

John W. Campbell Award for Best New Writer (not a Hugo Award):

Elizabeth Bear
Steph Swainston
K.J. Bishop
Chris Roberson
David Moles

Designing a Hugo



Although the Hugo's classic rocket ship design has remained constant for many Worldcons, the base on which it sits is created anew each year.

The winner of the Interaction competition to design the base is **Deb Kosiba**.

Deb successfully blended the competition requirement that it be "inspired by the artistic heritage of Glasgow" and specifically Charles Rennie Mackintosh with the 1950s retro rocket fin giving a hint of the futuristic style of science fiction

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John Dowd (editor), Fran Dowd, Steve Cooper and the Hugo Sub-Committee





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News at Interaction

Editorial Team: White Star Splendor

Dateline: Sunday 15:00

How an Elf Starts the Day



Novice Division

Best Presentation

#17 Rachel Willey (made by Jenna Willey) for "The Vampire Cheerleader"

Best Workmanship

#10 Dimitra Fleissner for "How an Elf Starts the Day"

Best in Class

#6 Sabine & Karen Furlong for "The Wall"

Journeyman Division

Best Presentation

#29 James Steel & The Chaos Team for "The Soldier and Death ...and...er... Death..."

Best Workmanship

#18 Karen Dawson for "Hippogriff"

Best in Class

#24 Tom Nanson for "Dastardly in Motley"

Chaos Division

Novice

#12 Rock Robertson II for "Baaad Costuming - The Silence of the Lamb"

Journeyman

#29 James Steel & The Chaos Team for "The Soldier and Death ...and...er... Death..."

The Vampire Cheerleader



The Wall



Dastardly in Motley



The Soldier and Death ...and...er... Death...and...



YAFA Zombies



Above: The Iron Costumer Show
 Left: Xena
 Right: Do You Believe in Fairies?
 Bottom-Left: Baaad Costuming
 Bottom-Right: Gnomes
 Below: Glasgow Dreams (Tina Connell)

Purchasing Photos

Paul Holroyd's official Masquerade photos are available from the Events Desk in Hall 2 (next to the costume exhibit).

£5 for 1 10x8 or 2 8x5

Best Workmanship (Master Division) as well as Best in Show

#23 Miki Dennis for "The Wind Brings Music to the Earth" (for picture see PA issue 9)

Best Audience Reaction

#19 Kent Bloom & Mary Morman for "Gnomes" made by Pamela Potter, Teresa Adams & Robin Monogue

Judges' Choice For ...

... Best Brain Eating

#4 YAFA for "The Zombies"

... Fairy Liquid

#3-A Flis Brown, Sam, Elise Brown, Annah Jackson, John Stewart for "Do You Believe in Fairies?"

... Recreation

#15 Miranda Feenstra for "Chiana"

... Chutzpa

#14 Pam Henschell for "Victorian Secrets"

... Kickass

#8 Philippa Chapman for "Xena"



Childrens' Awards

Most Beautiful

#1 Hannah Edwards for "The Unicorn"

Best Accessories

#1A Fergus Ewing-Hepburn for "Dandy Soldier"

Most Colourful

#3 Kethry Dickson for "Neptune's Daughter at Play"

Cutest, except for John Stewart

#3A Flis Brown, Sam, Elise Brown, Annah Jackson for "Do You Believe in Fairies?"



The Interaction Masquerade was produced by Kevin Standlee; directed by Giulia de Cesare; hosted by Sue Mason and Teddy; judged by Andy Armstrong, Jan Howard Finder, Janet Johnston, Ken MacLeod, Maggie Percival, and Jaine Weddell; all with the help of a cast of thousands (much appreciated!)

This edition of The Port Authority was brought to you by:

Lucia Bibolini, Jan van't Ent, Paul Holroyd, Lisa Lagergren, Michael Nelson

