

EASTERCON '77



DAVE HOLMES '76

PROGRESS REPORT ONE

Your Committee.

Anybody who was at Mancon 5 will have met most of us there; but if you missed the extravaganza, or failed to be introduced, we are:-

Pauline E. Dungate who is your chairlady (I am definately female, not a 'person') and was Chairlady of Novacon 2. She also helped with Novacon 1, 4 and 5.

The Treasurer, a very important person, is Laurence Miller who is learning the trade counting money for Novacon 6. He was also on the committee of Novacon 5.

The Hon.Secretary is Roger Peyton who has served on committees for Brumcon '65, Eastercon 22 (Worcester), Novacon 4 and chaired Novacon 5.

Stan Eling has served on committees of Novacon 2,3,4 and is chairman of Novacon 6 to be held later this year. Consequently he will be given all the work to do after Christmas.

These four make up the old shoulders on which the burden rests. The young heads from whom we hope to get all our bright ideas are the combined resources of:-

Dave Upton, the Registration Secretary to whom all new members are expected to address £1 notes and Mike (Big Oz) Brown who will be doing as he is told, as will Elaine Miller who is Administration Secretary (that means I am typing this assisted by a typewriter). We form the nucleus of the committee since we live relatively close to each other and can meet easily. As we find more and more that needs doing we will be recruiting and expanding.

Your Guest-of-Honour.

We feel that a Guest-of-Honour should be someone who has done a lot for Science Fiction and thus deserves to be honoured as a token of fandoms appreciation. We mean of course a man who has made his contribution, not in bold lettering on the covers of books, but tucked behind the yellow dust-jackets you find on so many bookshelves. Guest-of-Honour of Eastercon '77 will be John Bush, Managing Director of Gollancz

The Name.

In the flyer we put out at Mancon 5 you may remember that we offered a prize for the person suggesting the name adopted for the Convention. The committee sat and argued and failed to make up its mind. In the end, we stuck to the name that Laurence had given the bank as a temporary name when he opened the account. As a result the prize remains unawarded so the committee has decided to hold over the prize and award it at the Convention for something like the ' quote card ' prize.

The Hotel.

As any good committee does, we made the hotel our first priority and four of us went back to the Holiday Inn in Leicester. We found that the person we had negotiated with last year had moved onto another hotel and so we re-opened our negotiations. For a considerable reduction in room charges, the hotel will include the hire of the Convention rooms over the weekend.

At the present time there are minor alterations in progress to improve the facilities - like saunas being installed by the swimming pool.

Mr.McGolderick, (the Food and Beverage Manager) has agreed to provide " bar services as required " throughout the day and night if needed, and coffee available all day for those who need it.

So that you can't miss the place it is built in the middle of the road and has 'Holiday Inn' stapled to the wall in very large letters, the hotel has agreed to put on the great sign outside the front entrance " Holiday Inn Welcomes Eastercon '77 ".

Since the Holiday Inn prides itself on being a family hotel the management will " try to arrange a day care centre for children of the delegates " so that you can make the convention a real holiday and bring the children along as well.

Advertisements.

If you develop a yen, or even a need to advertise, (your publications, services etc.) in the progress reports, which will be circulated to all members and any others we think deserving then you need to consider two things.

First, we have deadlines for:-

PR 2	September 21st 1976
PR 3	December 21st 1976
PR 4	February 21st 1976

Secondly, it will cost you £6 per. full page; £3.50 per. $\frac{1}{2}$ page; £2.00 per. $\frac{1}{4}$ page.

Advertisements - should be sent to Laurence Miller at 19, Pear Tree Court, Bishop Asbury Crescent, Great Barr, B43 6HL. The size of a full page is A4 since it will then be reduced by half - and please no half-tones for the progress reports.

Art Award.

In recent years Ken Slater has offered a £10 prize for an art competition and will be offering it again this Easter.

To be eligible the artist must be an amateur; that is has not made more than £25 by sale of his/her artwork.

The theme of the artwork must be an illustration of one of the DUNE series by Frank Herbert. We hope all aspiring artists will compete for this magnificent prize.

Fancy Dress.

So that there are no misunderstandings, the committee wish to make it very clear that there will be a Fancy Dress Competition at some point during the proceedings. What form it will take we hav'ent yet decided but why not enter into the spirit of the thing and start thinking of your fancy dress now. Come as something - the more the merrier!!

Membership.

Most people receiving this progress report will already be members, but if you have friends, wives, husbands etc. that wish to register, send the £1 registration fee to:- Dave Upton, 49a Moor Street, Brierley Hill, West Midlands, DY5 3SP. Please make cheques payable to 'Eastercon 77' and cross postal orders.

So far the following people have registered;

1. John Bush	10. Joyce Deeming	19. Eva - Maria Schluek
2. P.E. Dungate	11. Ron Bennett	20. Karel Thole
3. L.H. Miller	12. Martin Hoare	21. Lies Thole
4. E.R. Miller	13. Liese Hoare	22. Vernon Brown
5. R.G. Peyton	14. Dave Kyle	23. Mick Hardy
6. Arline Peyton	15. Ruth Kyle	24. Eddie Jones
7. Stan Eling	16. A.C. Kyle	25. Marsha Jones
8. Helen Eling	17. Kerry Kyle	26. J. David Hacker
9. Dave Upton	18. Thomas Schluek	27. R. Earnshaw

28. M.D.Damesick	85. M.A.Strain	142. Eddie Rennison
29. Norman Shorroock	86. G.Pickersgill	143. Linda Rennison
30. Ina Shorroock	87. Simone Walsh	144. Brenda Piper
31. Jim Marshall	88. Peter Berg	145. Ian Maule
32. N.Weedall	89. Leo Kindt	146. Martin Stallard
33. Hans Loose	90. A.Kindt	147. Susan Busby
34. David Symes	91. Rob. Jackson	148. Anita Robson
35. Fay Symes	92. John Steward	149. Alan Morris
36. Jan Finder	93. Dave Rowe	150. John Piggott
37. Don Rogers	94. Rod Milner	151. Bob Shaw
38. J. Cruttenden	95. Bonny Milner	152. Sadie Shaw
39. Wendy Cruttenden	96. John Harvey	153. Brian Ameringen
40. Peter Day	97. Eve Harvey	154. Wendy Glover
41. Chris Jordan	98. A.DeBettencourt	155. P.E.Presford
42. Mary Burns	99. U.Tunnarson	156. B.T.Robinson
43. Bill Burns	100. Ewa Sejby	157. Andy Ellsmore
44. Peter Mabey	101. A.Fitzpatrick	158. Keith Freeman
45. Peter Barrow	102. G.Charnock	159. Wendy Freeman
46. Stevie Barrow	103. P.Charnock	160. John Brosnan
47. Mike Rosenblum	104. Elke Stewart	161. Elaine Wash
48. Betty Rosenblum	105. Alan Stewart	162. Paul Kincaid
49. Gail Rogers	106. Richard Lee	163. Judy Watson
50. Brent Rogers	107. Brian Rouse	164. Ian Watson
51. Keith Oborn	108. Harry Bell	165. Ramsey Campbell
52. Maxim Jakubowski	109. Lars Strandberg	166. David Pringle
53. Dolores Jakubowski	110. J.M.Nicholas	167. Pat Meara
54. Pat Underwood	111. B.Burgess	168. Mike Meara
55. Tony Underwood	112. J.Gilbert	169. Chris Fowler
56. John Eggeling	113. J.G.G.Lesurf	170. Peter B. Bell
57. Judy Mansfield	114. P.E.Thompson	171. Per Osterman
58. Pandora Birch	115. Merf Adamson	172. Todd Harrison
59. Roger Perkins	116. Vera Johnson	173. Harry Harrison
60. Charles Partington	117. Josane Alexander	174. David Cox
61. Pete Wilde	118. Michel Feron	175. Peter Thomson
62. Alan Robson	119. Jose Bernard	176. David Garnett
63. Peter J.Wright	120. E.B.Wollheim	177. Dave Staves
64. Sandra Richardson	121. D.A.Wollheim	178. Jean Staves
65. Simon Joukes	122. P.T.Garrett	179. Andrew Stephenson
66. George Thomson	123. Waldemar Kumming	180. Dave Langford
67. Roy Shorroock	124. Robert Zielschot	181. Hazel Langford
68. Frances Cooban	125. Steve Lovett	182. Anne Looker
69. Ian Williams	126. David Flint	183. Margaret Austin
70. Coral Clarke	127. Duncan Lunan	184. Margaret Draper
71. Bruce Healey	128. Linda Lunan	185. Tel Hudson
72. David E.Bridges	129. Duncan Steel	186. Peter Clark
73. Howard Rosenblum	130. Paul Williams	187. Rodger Bean
74. Janice Wiles	131. E.B.Wilkins	188. B.T.Jeeves
75. David Hill	132. Jim Barker	189. V.J.Jeeves
76. Daniel W.Skelsey	133. J.Mansfield	190. S.M.Jeeves
77. David Webb	134. Kevin Williams	191. R.P.Harrison
78. Ethel Lindsay	135. Jorgen Forsberg	192. Cathy Sherloch
79. Gerry Webb	136. Ken Slater	193. Syd Beach
80. Tony Murfet	137. Joyce Slater	194. Cherry Brown
81. Sally Underwood	138. Phil Rogers	195. Jan Shorroock
82. Colin Crooks	139. Doreen Rogers	196. Jenny Campbell
83. Mike Brown	140. Roy Mortimore	197. Chris Jones
84. J.A.Burnett	141. Daphne Mortimore	

Forthcoming Events.

Novacon 6 :- 5th - 7th November, £1.00 to Helen Eling, 124 Galton Rd.,
Smethwick, Warley, West Midlands, B67 5JJ.