THURSDAY

8.30pm Registration desk opens

- 10.30pm Registration desk closes

FRIDAY

10.15am Registration desk opens

10.30am FILMS

Runnings, Jumping and Standing Still Film Beyond the Time Barrier

12 noon LUNCH (Hotel lunch 12.15)

1.30pm COMEDY HOUR - FILMS

Dig that Dog, Uncle Tom and Little Eva, The Metal-Eating Bird, Crazy Mixed Up Pup, and It's A Gift

2.30pm THE INFLUENCE OF OTHER STARS

John Brunner, Samuel R. Delany and Anne McCaffrey discuss non-sf in an sf context

3.30pm FANDOM AT RANDOM

Representatives of fandom's many facets talk about how it has changed their lives, and has itself changed since they discovered it. In the chair, Dave Kyle

4.30pm TEA BREAK

5.00pm SIGNPOSTS FOR THE FUTURE

Kenneth Bulmer chairs a panel of auchors who hope to be among the professionals of tomorrow.

6.00pm DINNER (Hotel dinner 6.45)

8.00pm LOOK WHO'S HERE



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SF FOR SALE

With TAFF winner Len Moffattat the helm, an auction of books and prozines

10.00pm

BRUM GROUP PUNCH-UP

The group's monthly meeting moves to Bristol and, for this occasion, becomes a party for all. It takes place in the Gloucester Room

10.30pm

Registration desk closes Art Show open 4.20pm to 7.50pm Bookroom open 11.00am to 7.50pm

SATURDAY

10.00am Registration desk opens

IF I HAD TO DO IT ALL OVER AGAIN 10.00am

> A business meeting and discussion on convention organising by an international panel, in the chair Fred Hemmings, representing OMPAcon.

Future con bids will be made during this session, come and vote!



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11.00am COFFEE BREAK

11.30am THE BRIAN ALDISS MYSTERY BOX

You know as much about this as the committee, but we can guarentee you won't be bored, so this will be an item not to be missed.

12.30pm LUNCH (Hotel lunch 12.45)

2.00pm IT CUNQUERED THE WORLD, or did it?

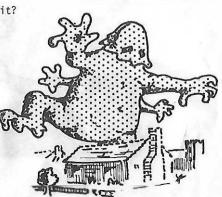
Watch a film and help Dr Jack Cohen build a REAL alien.

4.15pm TEA BRÉAK

4.45pm CHRONO-LOGIC

A discussion on the consequences of time travel. Philip Strick chairs a panel of authors.

5.45pm DINNER (Hotel dinner 6.30)



7.45pm THE DELANY INTERSECTION

A talk by our Guest of Honour, Samuel R. Delany.

8.45pm BEAUTY OR THE BEAST?

ANYTHING may win in the Fancy Dress. Not brought a costume? Improvise..! MC Phil Rogers will run the show, and a panel of judges will select the winners.

10.15pm THE OMPA PARTY

Drink to Ken Bulmer, founder of OMPA, who made this con possible. Admission, a measure of spirits for the punch bowl.

10.15pm Registration desk closes

NB Art Show and Bookroom open 11.00am to 1.45pm and 4.30pm to 7.45pm



SUNDAY



9.30am BSFA AGM

10.30am A DIFFICULT DECISION

Peter Weston discusses his faanish dilemma with others who have either solved the problem or still face it.

11.15am Registration desk opens

11.45am DELTA FILM COMPETITION Enjoy and vote on the amateur films. A trophy to the winner.

1.15pm LUNCH (Hotel lunch 1.30)

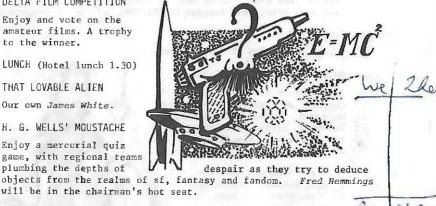
2.45pm THAT LOVABLE ALIEN Our own James White.

3.45pm H. G. WELLS' MOUSTACHE Enjoy a mercurial quiz plumbing the depths of

game, with regional teams

4,45pm GOING FOR A SONG Fanzines for sale - Gray Boak auctioneer.

11.15am COFFEE BREAK



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6.00pm Registration desk closes

6.15pm PART TIME POVERTY

Don Wollheim chairs a panel discussing the problems that arise for anyone writing in their spare time, and what can be done to overcome them.



7.15pm CONVOLUTIONS OF THE BRAIN

Dr W. Grey Walter considers the nature and capabilities of the mind.

8.15pm [for 8.45] THE 'GRAND' BANQUET

To be followed by verbal contributions from our Guest of Honour and the TAFF winners, the Moffatts. Ever-bready Dave Kyle, our live-wire Toastmaster, will introduce a battery of prizewinners. A quote-card competition will run during the Banquet.

11.15pm MIDNIGHT FILM SHOW

Including Dr Strangelove and Timeslip.

NE Art Show open 5.30pm to 7.30pm.

Bookroom open 9.30am to 11.45am, 1.00pm to 2.15pm and 5.30pm to 7.45pm.

MONDAY

PACK UP YOUR BAGS: Rooms must be clear by moon, so if this is your last day, bring your luggage to the hall before the programme starts.

10.15am FILM

Voyage to the End of the Universe.

11.45am AUTHOR-ITATIVE ALTERNATIVES

John Brunner eavesdrops on John W. Campbell Jr., Harry Harrison and Gordon R. Dickson at a working luncheon, before detailing his own approach to plotting an sf story.

NB Both Art Show and Bookroom will be open between 10.15am and 11.30am, when both must finally close.

The convention's official programme will finish at approximately 1.30pm.

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