

# NOVACON 6

Organised by the Birmingham Science Fiction Group

5th-6th-7th November 1976

Royal Angus Hotel, Birmingham

## PROGRAMME

ALL PROGRAMME ITEMS WILL BE HELD IN THE CONVENTION HALL  
WITH THE SOLE EXCEPTION OF THE BANQUET WHICH WILL BE IN  
THE HOTEL DINING ROOM.

## FRIDAY

### 8.00pm Chairman's Welcome

The Convention Chairman Stan Eling will open the convention. It would be appreciated if everyone would assemble promptly so that any notices may be given - this may include important programme changes so please be there.

### 8.15 Who's Who

NOVACON 6 Guest of Honour Dave Kyle will introduce authors, publishers, Big-Name-Fans, etc., for the benefit of newcomers.

### 8.45 Film: SOYLENT GREEN

Based on the novel MAKE ROOM! MAKE ROOM! by Harry Harrison.

Director: Richard Fleischer. Metrocolor - USA 1973.

97 mins.

#### CAST

Detective Thorn.....	Charlton Heston	Shirl.....	Leigh Taylor-Young
Sol Roth.....	Edward G Robinson	Tab Fielding.....	Chuck Connors
William Simonson.....	Joseph Cotten	Hatcher.....	Brock Peters
Martha.....	Paula Kelly	Gilbert.....	Stephen Young
Kulozik.....	Mike Henry	Priest.....	Lincoln Kilpatrick
Charles.....	Leonard Stone	Governor Santini.....	Whit Bissell

# SATURDAY

## 10.00am Alien Life by the Rules — Dr Jack Cohen

A further talk in the series concerning possibilities of life on other worlds.

COFFEE BREAK AT APPROX. 11.00

## 11.30 Telepathy & Psionics in SF — Tom Shippey

A lecture by Tom Shippey - English Literature Don at Oxford University

## 12.30pm Lunch

## 2.30 Guest of Honour: Dave Kyle

Our Guest-of-Honour will give two speeches - "The Professional David Kyle" and "The Fannish Dave Kyle"

TEA BREAK AT APPROX 3.30

## 4.00 John Brunner on Writing SF

Award-winning author of STAND ON ZANZIBAR, THE JAGGED ORBIT, THE SHEEP LOOK UP, SHOCKWAVE RIDER, etc., delivers a speech on the writing of SF

## 5.00 The Jim White Chat Show

Following his success at NOVACON 5, James White returns - relaxed as ever - to introduce a further three reluctant guests.

## 5.45 Book Auction

Books, magazines, manuscripts plus any other ~~valuable~~ interesting items that may be donated. Auctioneer - Rog Peyton

## 7.30 for 8.00 Banquet

Ticket holders only. Toastmaster - Ken Slater

## 9.00 Film: WESTWORLD

Scripted and Directed by Michael Crichton. Metrocolor - USA 1973. 89 mins

### CAST

Gunslinger.....Yul Brynner	Peter Martin.....Richard Benjamin
John Blane.....James Brolin	Mediaevil Knight.....Norman Bartold
Chief Supervisor...Alan Oppenheimer	Mediaevil Queen.....Victoria Shaw
Banker.....Dick van Patten	Arlette.....Linda Scott
Technician.....Steve Franken	Black Knight.....Michael Mikler
Sheriff.....Terry Wilson	Miss Carrie.....Majel Barrett

## 11.00 Disco

Dancing sounds for all tastes whether it be from the fifties, sixties or seventies. Disc jockey - Graham Bullock

## **SUNDAY**

### **10.30am The Quiz**

Just the thing to get rid of that hangover! A quiz by lottery.  
Quiz-master - Bob Shaw

### **11.25 The Future of SF**

A discussion chaired by Peter Weston. On the panel are Rob Holdstock, Rob Jackson, Chris Priest, Andrew Stephenson and Ian Watson.

### **12.30pm Lunch**

### **2.30 Art Auction**

Your last chance to bid for the artwork of your choice. Bidding will commence with the highest price attained in the Art Show.  
Auctioneer - Rog Peyton

### **3.15 Prize Giving**

Presentation of prizes and awards:-

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| (1) Winner of the Quiz       | (2) Winner of the Art Award |
| (3) Winner of the Nova Award |                             |

### **3.30 Through Dungeon and Dragon with Pocketbook and Camera — John Mansfield**

A talk about 'Dungeons and Dragons' - the game that has been growing in popularity among fans over the last few years.

END OF CONVENTION - APPROX 4.30pm

## ***The Book Room and Art Show***

Bookdealers will be setting up on Friday morning and the Book Room will be open most of the day closing at 6.00pm. It will re-open at 10am on Saturday and close at 1pm - re-open after the Guest-of-Honour's speech and close at 6.30pm. On Sunday it will open at 10am and close at the end of the Convention.

The Art Show will be held in the Lower Angus (see hotel plan over page) and be open at similar times to the Book Room.

