



The Port Authority

News at Interaction

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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.