



Dysprosium, Eastercon 2015

Issue 3: Saturday afternoon

Yet Another Plea

Come on (non-genderspecific) chaps, lend a hand with the convention and things will go ever so much more smoothly. If you do want to help out, come to Ops (behind Registration) and say “I am entirely sane and I want to be a gopher”.

—JH (no relation)

Sunday Programme Changes

Putting the Fantasy Into History Or Putting History Into Fantasy? (Endeavour, 16.15) actually features Kari Sperring, not Kari Spelling, and Raven Dane will also appear on the panel.

Embroidered Leaf Brooch workshop (16.15, Armstrong) is being run by Giulia deCesare, not Giulia de Cesere.

The Reunion: Spock In Manacles (22.30, Bleriot) will also feature Kate Solomon, who wrote and directed the original play.

Caroline Mullan’s Kaffeeklatch is now rescheduled to 11.15 on Monday.

Sunday Signings

Want to get a book signed? The following authors are signing tomorrow:

Seanan McGuire
Edward Cox
Jaine Fenn
Christopher Nuttall
Christopher Priest
Linda Stratmann

Beyond the Blue Peg Horizon

We’re adding a few more colour-coded pegs so those of you who are colourblind can get even more confused than you were before.

Aubergine Peg—Please talk to me unless you’re creepy.

Octarine Peg—I am colourblind and have no idea what your peg means

Fuchsia Peg—Please talk to me only if you can spell Fuchsia.

Flashing Peg—Why are you staring at my chest?

Black Peg—Arrr! ’Tis the sign of the Black Peg! You’re chairing the next Bloody British Bloody Worldcon. Congratulations.

Haven’t I Seen You Before?

Congratulations to ½r Cruttenden, who is celebrating his 50th consecutive Eastercon this weekend! The record is held by Bill Burns, at 51 this year. Mary Burns is now at her 45th (which is odd as she doesn’t look a day over 44); can any other femmefan beat that? [*Are we allowed to say femmefan?* Ed.]

Threading Rocks Together

Bead Embroidery Workshop: if you’d like to take part, the sign in sheet is at Registration. We have places for 15 - at Loncon we had to turn people away after the first 20, so please sign up if you’re interested.

Elemental Conventions

Who is that chap in the helmet and goggles rapping to the beat with rhymes that boggle?

He rocks and rolls and takes the pith from the trolls
It’s a geek! It’s a fan!
It’s elemental, my dear Prof. Elemental

—Anonymous

More Elemental Conventions

Before Cobalt was Corflu Titanium, the 22nd Corflu, in 2005—excellently run by Clickety Click contributor Tom Becker, who might have been practising proper British manners and so declined to mention it himself...

—Claire Brialey

London Calling

You may or may not know that London fans have been meeting every first Thursday of the month since 1946, and you’d be very welcome if you’re in London! Unfortunately our regular venue, the Melton Mowbray, is not available in May or June due to refurbishment. A new venue will be found; watch the stars (or news.ansible.uk/london.html) for an announcement.

Cheap Curry Option

For those who want a cheapish fast food option, by the petrol station opposite the hotel is a small row of shops including Sovereign Food &

Wine. This is a grocery store with a food counter at the back selling sandwiches, breakfasts and curries, for eat in or take away. There is a small counter at the front where you can sit and eat. The lamb curry and rice (£6.99) is very nice. It is open till 23.00 Saturday and Sunday.

—Steve Rogerson

Beer—In Memoriam

We're getting through the Real Ale at a rapid rate. At least twelve casks have gone to that great brewery in the sky. Drink now or risk missing out!

Hint

Confused? Don't know where you are or what's going on? Smart fans read their copy of the "Read Me" before the end of the convention.

Doc Weir

Remember to pick up your ballot paper at Registration, and vote for your candidate for all-around helpful fan whose involvement may have gone almost unnoticed until now.



Happy Birthday Minicon!

Minicon is 50 this weekend. We're ordering a cake off Amazon to be delivered in a couple of months time.

Founding Father?

David Wake would like to know who beat him to publishing fiction online. He did it in 1984 during a project to discover the internet using JANET. Can anyone beat that? In the UK? In the world?

Forex Update

Current exchange rates at this convention:

1 Groat = 1/5 Bar Voucher = 0.37
Old Groat = \$1.49 USD = 0.73
Groat

After all those exchange fees, we humbly suggest simply bartering beads and furs for beer instead.

Sasquan Travel

I will be driving from Calgary to Sasquan (this year's Worldcon, in Spokane, Washington). If you'd like a ride, please contact me for more details.

—Paul van Oven

Scores on the Doors!

We have a warm body count over a thousand! Well done Eastercon! The overwarm body count is six. These people are sick and should seek help. Aren't airport Ebola scanners wonderful?

1185 total members, including day members. (1200 was the fire limit so we have narrowly missed spontaneous combustion).

Emergency Restaurants

The nearby London Hong Kong restaurant (388 Bath Road) was very accommodating last night when a group of thirteen arrived without a booking.

Art Show

Art Show has an area for kids to display their artworks: there are prizes! The Art Show closes at noon tomorrow, and the auction is from 13.45 to 16.00 is Endeavour.

You can pick up your art work, and buy unsold items, afterwards.

Did you enjoy the Art Show at Loncon 3? The remaining copies of the 100-page, full colour Artist Showcase book are on sale for just £4 in the Art Show.

Theobromine Addicts Only

There will be sign-up sheets for the *Chocolate from Tree to Bar—Taste, Learn and Experience* (Sunday 17.30, Endeavour) at Registration tomorrow.

Insert Coin to Continue

Satellite Conventions' Retro Arcade eMulator is kindly being hosted by Runesmith—pop in to play Gauntlet, Pang and other games from the past.

Eastercon Bidding

Having a good time? Want to go to another Eastercon? There won't be one unless people form committees and bid to run the next convention. Come along to the bidding session on Sunday (12.30 Bleriot) and vote for the 2016 and 2017 Eastercons.

TAFF

The deadline for the Trans Atlantic Fan Fund voting is approaching like a jet propelled demon running from the mighty malevolent demon crusher of Tharg. Your votes and donations need to be with me before midnight on 7th April. Candidates are Nina Horvath and Wolf von Witting. You can vote at tafftrip.com/taff-ballot-form-2015/ or in Dealer Room 008 at the ZZ9 table.

—Jim Mowat

Reminder

Remember that free bar of soap you got when you registered? It's there for a purpose.

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