



Fans look one way then the other



by staff writers

Science Fiction club celebrates anniversary, faces.

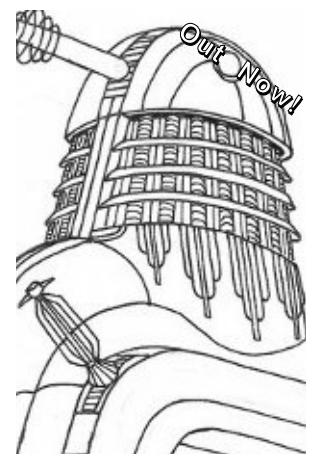
THE SOUTH AUSTRALIAN DOCTOR WHO FAN CLUB INCORPORATED, also known as SFSA and Exxilon celebrated its thirtieth anniversary on the first of June 2010, again on the fifth, once again on the 19th and passim.

Thirtieth anniversary celebrations have included a t-shirt contest, aliens, an edible robot, dress ups, celebratory pub visits, some lying in gutters, mass arrests and executions of counter revolutionary enemies of the state and a small celebratory spread.

Since the keys being locked in the Psychology screening room proved to be so enjoyable it has been decided to continue locking ourselves out, with a side order of slamming doors on body parts.



Chameleon Factor # 80



SFSA magazine # 26

Doctor Who rates well

by staff writers

Moderate ratings success sees fans mildly pleased.

WITH DOCTOR WHO'S 2010 run over in the UK and Australia, it continues to win over viewers into its fifth decade. The British Broadcasting Corporation overnight ratings for the last two episodes of the 2010 series were 5.9 and 5.1 million, respectively. *The Pandorica Opens* was the most watched programme of the day, and *The Big Bang* was second most watched. *Who* has been one of the highest twenty rating programmes in the UK in 2010.

In Australia most episodes have rated over a million, and in Adelaide over one hundred thousand. *The Eleventh Hour* had 1,136,884 viewers and is the second highest rated episode in Australia, with *Rose* (1,109,686) now third place. The record is held by *Voyage of the Damned* (1,248,297).

The Australian Broadcasting Corporation retains repeat rights to series four and five, the five 2009/2010 specials and associated cut down *Doctor Who Confidential*.

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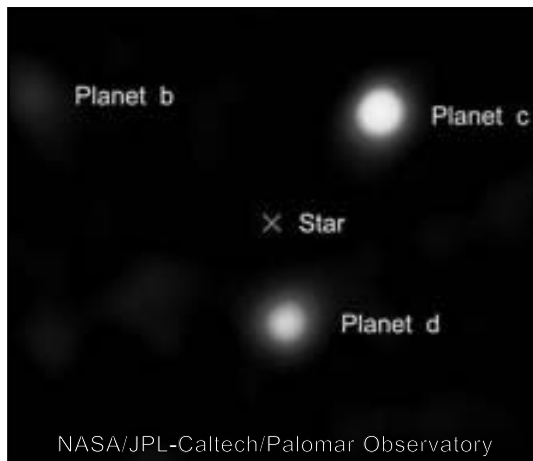
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Title	Adelaide	5 City Metro	Consolidated*
The Eleventh Hour	108,455	1,033,082	1,136,884
The Beast Below	92,908	850,787	953,946
Victory of the Daleks	102,357	910,259	1,027,085
The Time of Angels	96,245	908,712	980,113
Flesh and Stone	104,368	966,602	1,060,874
The Vampires of Venice	101,774	938,248	1,022,669
Amy's Choice	103,824	972,890	1,058,990
The Hungry Earth	116,520	913,500	1,015,945
Cold Blood	98,602	813,987	893,570
Vincent and the Doctor	94,012	894,412	967,973
The Lodger	130,344	983,064	1,061,753
The Pandorica Opens	99,554	889,758	1,005,505
The Big Bang	102,337	976,015	1,082,203

* Consolidated reflects live and time shifted figures.

Source: ABC



Planets orbiting HR 8799, imaged from ground based telescope.

Sky Watch

Osiris blows

THE HUNT FOR exo planets has seen the first such directly imaged. HD209458b, which orbits its star every 3.5 days has even had weather observed spectrographically. During a five hour planetary transit in front of the star, teams from Leiden University, the Netherlands Institute for Space Research (SRON), and MIT detected carbon monoxide winds of 5000 to 10000 KPH, boiling from the gravitationally locked hot side to the dark side. Temperatures are expected to reach 1000 C. This unpleasant place has been nicknamed Osiris. Some 462 planets have been discovered since 1995.

Voyager 2 comes good again

AS VOYAGER 2 PASSES its 12000 day mark, engineers have resolved a technical issue widely reported as an alien takeover of the space probe. Starting April 22, transmissions became garbled and the craft was placed in safe mode. By 17 May they had diagnosed a single bit flop in the flight data system computer, and on the 20th they reset it. In 2006 Voyager 2 was accidentally commanded to turn on heaters in its magnetometer, with temperatures of over 130 C damaging the instrument for almost a week.

Launched on 20 August 1977, Voyager 2 flew past Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus and Neptune, and is now continuing scientific observations as it leaves our solar system. On 30 August 2007 the probe crossed the termination shock into the heliosheath. It is expected to return data until 2025.

Lost US silent films found in NZ Archive

Preservation Issues

by staff writers

ON 6 JUNE the New Zealand Film Archive and the United States National Film Preservation Foundation announced a find of 75 lost silent films. It is believed the movies were exhibited in New Zealand and then abandoned by distributors unwilling to freight them back to the US. They escaped destruction and came to be held by the Archive, surviving despite being on nitrate stock.

Gems found included Clara Bow in *Maytime* (1923) and Charles Puffy in *Kick Me Again* (1925). A trailer for John Ford's lost *Strong Boy* (1929) was also found.

The NZ Minister for Arts, Culture and Heritage Christopher Finlayson said in a statement that the films will be repatriated over the next three years for access through major American silent film archives.

Also recently found was a Keystone Kops short featuring Charlie Chaplin, the first such recovery. *A Thief Catcher* (1914) was found by Paul E. Gierucki.

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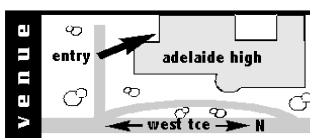
meetings

sfsa: a general science fiction club,
incorporating the **SA Doctor Who Fan Club Inc.**

1ST MEETING FOR NEW AND PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS FREE!

time: 3pm - 10pm **dates:** 3rd Saturday of every month **17/7 21/8, 18/9, 16/10-**
cost: entry fees (to cover room hire): **\$3.00** (members) **\$4.00** (non-members)

General Meetings take place on the 3rd Saturday of every month at **Adelaide High School, West Tce, Adelaide** (except for a special December meeting). We view videos, play games and enjoy the company of others who share the same interests. **Monthly "Pub" Meetings** and **regular movie outings** are also frequently held. For info, please contact the club or check out our website on www.sfsa.org.au.



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DOCTOR WHO

Transmission schedule
July to August 2010

Doctor Who on ABC1

19.30 Sundays

Followed by Doctor Who Confidential

K-9 on TEN Saturdays 09.30

Torchwood on ABC2 Mondays 22.15

- ~ K-9 preempted by golf 19/6
- ~ Alien Avatar 23/6
- ~ Aeolian 26/6
- ~ **The Lodger** 27/6
- ~ Ghost Machine 28/6
- ~ The Last Oak Tree 3/7
- ~ **The Pandorica Opens** 4/7
- ~ Cyberwoman 5/7
- ~ Black Hunger 10/7
- ~ **The Big Bang** 11/7
- ~ Small Worlds 12/7
- ~ The Cambridge Spy 17/7
- ~ Countrycide 19/7
- ~ Lost Library of UKKO 24/7
- ~ Greeks Bearing Gifts 26/7
- ~ Mutant Copper 31/7
- ~ They Keep Killing Suzie 2/8
- ~ The Custodians 7/8
- ~ Random Shoes 9/8
- ~ Taphony and the Time Loop 14/8
- ~ Out of Time 16/8
- ~ Robot Gladiators 21/8
- ~ Combat 23/8
- ~ Mind Snap 28/8
- ~ Captain Jack Harkness 30/8

AGM results June 19 2010

President: Jamie
Secretary: Martin
Treasurer: Tammy

Committee: Ashlee, Brenton, Mark, Tim

Returning officer: Susan

Membership

Annual membership rates are \$15. This entitles you to one year's subscription to the club's publications: bimonthly *The Wall of Lies* and SFSA magazine, and the *Doctor Who* themed yearbook *Chameleon Factor*. Also included are discounted entry fees to SFSA meetings, and discounts at various stores around Adelaide.

Publications

SFSA #26

Thirtieth anniversary!

Discounts

Pulp Fiction

10% off comics and graphic novels

Events

July 17 General meeting 15.00

Venue: Adelaide High School

August 7 Pub meeting 17.30

Venue: Buckingham Arms Hotel

August 21 General meeting 15.00

Venue: Adelaide High School

September 4 Pub meeting 17.30

Venue: The Rex Hotel, 172 Richmond Rd,

Dr Who club 30th anniversary competition

12 and under: Design a *Dr Who* monster.

Over 12: *Doctor Who* themed text story, 500 words or less.

Open category: Write or draw something *Doctor Who* themed/inspired.

Winners announced at 21 August meeting.

Current committee ineligible for entry, judges decisions are final.

Prize: a *Doctor Who* t-shirt

Club

Archive



Chameleon Factor 55

August 1990

EDITORIAL

As you know by now we are fund-raising to send the old committee to Kuwait. Apparently the \$400.00 they made illegally selling tapes was not enough...

[Jason Collins rings in the new, and bids a fond farewell to his predecessors.]



NEWSLETTER

[Undated, June 1980?]

I RECENTLY SPENT ABOUT FOUR HOURS AT CHANNEL 2 LOOKING THROUGH THEIR FILES ON DOCTOR WHO (AND FOUND IT) WAS (THEIR) MOST POPULAR PROGRAMME...I DID SUGGEST...A DOCTOR WHO-ATHON...SAY 12 MIDNIGHT TILL 8 NEXT MORNING. PLEASE WRITE TO CHANNEL 2 (AND SAY) THAT YOU ARE HAPPY TO SEE REPEATS RATHER THAN NONE AT ALL. (EACH LETTER COUNTS AS 200 PEOPLE)

[Brian and Elaine Alford ran the club out of their house, with meetings at the Black Hole Bookstore in Chesser Street.]

Fandom

STARGATE SG1

Police Club
27 Carrington Street, Adelaide

Christopher Judge
Corin Nemec

28 August in Adelaide
29 August in Perth

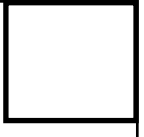
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It all started here

from *NEWSLETTER* [undated, June 1980?]

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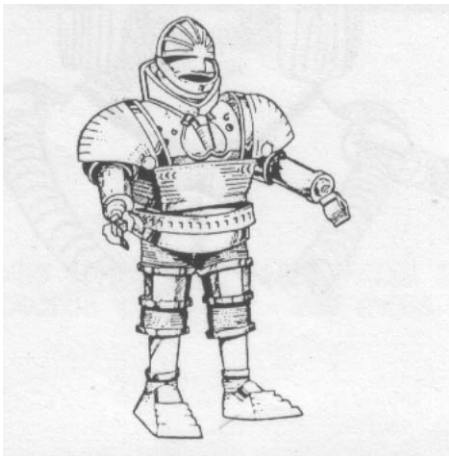
On June first 1980 a group of *Star Trek* fans, hangers on and maladjusts gathered at the Black Hole Bookstore. The club they formed that day would live on in infamy...



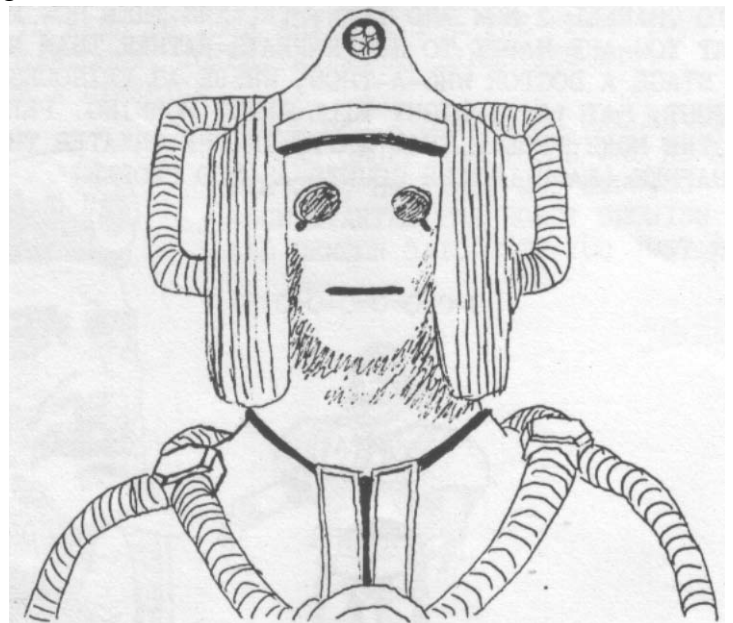
Professor Edward Travers was the first president of SADWFC. He enjoyed playing with a yeti, sitting in chairs and a spot of light mountaineering.



“Old Man” Lethbridge-Stewart used to amuse with rambling military anecdotes and facial hair. Unfortunately, she was a woman.



What a crazy kidder this guy was! Changing size, dissolving into rust and burning holes in the surface of the moon all floated his boat. Secretary K1 was analogue based and his read only memory was supplied in platter format, whereas his random access memory came in cassette or eight-track.



“Stinky Jeffrey” was the club’s first treasurer and vacuum cleaner. Other community involvement included Kiwanis International and the Scouts. He spent his limited spare time transmatting down to Voga for a gold chest massage.