

fannish friends. If you weren't there it's probably because you're under 50.

There were lots and lots of old fannish faces, I counted three founder members of the Melbourne SF Group and there were plenty of fans from the '60s, '70s and '80s'. In earlier times there would have been enough SMOFing to organize one Worldcon, two National conventions and three decent fan feuds but, these days, who's got the energy? The only formal program item was a singing of 'Happy Birthday' to those whose birthdays fell around this time of the year. For the rest of the time people chatted. It was like the best parts of a convention rolled up together and the boring parts left behind.



The birthday fans here are: Bruce Gillespie, Eric Lindsay, Gordon Lingard, Lee Harding and Robin Johnson. On the left is Jean Weber, who came from Queensland, and on the right is Erik Harding who flew from the West to be there.

The Back Cover

Roman Orszanski reminded me that fanzines have back, as well as front, covers. So here is the back cover from *Telepath 1*.



