



THE VOICE

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EDITORIAL EXCITEMENT!

I was talking to Dave Haddock at breakfast today and we drifted to the topic of how the eggs are cooked. I think they're poached, whereas Dave thinks they might be deep-fried afterwards. Anyone who knows should come and see me, there could even be free porridge on offer (from McDonald's).

What's the breakfast like in the other hotels? Has anyone found a restaurant near to one of the other hotels that's a must-try? Give me reviews, I'll publish them!

See you in the bar – John.

CORRECTION CONFUSION!

It wouldn't be a newsletter written with the assistance of beer if there weren't a few corrections. Aside from the typos in #2, the Baron Munchausen item is in fact on Sunday evening at 10pm.

BSFA BRILLIANCE!

The shiny BSFA boxes that appeared yesterday are still hungry for ballot papers – by the time this comes out you ought to have about an hour left to vote. Please do so if you haven't already!

BEEBLEBEAR BROUHAHA!

(Well, you try finding another alliteration that's closer to 'picnic!')

ZZ9 Plural Z Alpha, the official *Hitchhiker's Guide* fanclub, are holding a *Beeblebears' Picnic* in the Foyer Bar at 3:30pm today. They should be quite apparent – they're the people with the two-headed teddy bears and the 'Don't Panic' towel. If you happen to have brought a picnic rug to LX, please bring it!

If you don't have a *Beeblebear* yet, they've just acquired new stock that is available in the Dealers' Room and you can grab one before heading along. ZZ9 are offering free stuff to con volunteers and are also happy to accept goats.

TAI CHI TREMENDOUSNESS!

In order that more members can do some Tai Chi breathing exercises there have been extra sessions added to the program. These are at 2pm on Saturday and Sunday, and there's also another session at 10am on Monday. All of these extra sessions are in Directors – this is not the same as the currently scheduled sessions so please don't turn up to Mimosa by mistake!

CHILDRENS' CAPERS!

There are child-friendly items at 12:30pm, 2pm and 7pm today. More details can be found in issue #2, which ought to still be available from most distribution points, for parents who didn't see it last night.

PROGRAMME PRAGMATISM!

There are some changes to scheduled programme items that you should know about:

Feedback sessions: These have been moved from 9am to 9:30am and will only run for half an hour.

Sci-Fi London Premiere: This item starts at 6:30pm instead of the 8:30pm given elsewhere.

Beer Tasting: This has changed from Mimosa to Directors, and is at 9pm.

It's Grim Up North: Moved from 8pm Saturday to 8pm Sunday in the Boardroom.

EASTER EUPHORIA!

Despite Julie's absence, we will be going ahead with the planning meeting for the Sunday morning service at 5:30 pm Saturday in the Foyer Bar (outside Main Programme). Everybody is welcome, please bring any resources or notes.

CONVENTION CRAZINESS!

Dave Lally would like to remind members that there is a display in the Cedar suite of various upcoming conventions. Go sign up!

RESTAURANT REVIEWS!

We have had some more restaurant reviews from the Thursday night's eating and dining for your pleasure and delight. If you have any more reviews after Friday's evening meal, please feel free to submit them!

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A (challenging) fifteen minute walk away is a Toby Carvery. If you drive you need to head up the Ring Road and turn back on yourself at the Asda roundabout. The food at the carvery is cheap, quick and filling. If you are seated before 7pm it is just a fiver and meals are £7.50 after that.

Starters and puddings are available, but we didn't see the need for a starter, or have room for a pudding. Beef, Gammon and Turkey are always available along with eight types of vegetables, plus Yorkshire Puddings that appeared to be deep fried.

Saturday's special is lamb, with a couple of extra dishes available. Fish and Vegetarian options are mentioned on the menu. Restaurant recommended by David Haddock.

CHAPTER TWO: 1958-1967

Mark Plummer and Claire Brialey

A Fall of Moondust, A for Andromeda, Aldiss, Amis, Aporrheta, Atom, Badger, Ballard, 'Behold the Man', Bennett, Bentcliffe, Berry, Beyond, Birmingham, Brunner, BSFA, Cheltenham, Crispin, Dr Who, Fanthorpe, Field Hospital, Galaxy 666, Hothouse, Hyphen, Inchmery, Kapp, Lindsay, Loncon II, LXIcon, Malcolm, Masson, Mercer, Moorcock, New Maps of Hell, New Wave, New Worlds, Non-Stop, Parker, Peterborough, Platt, Presslie, Rackham, Sanderson, Science Fantasy, Science Fiction Adventures, Scottishe, Sector General, Sellings, SF Impulse, Skyrack, Slater, 'Strange Highways', Telepathist, The Day the Earth Caught Fire, The Drowned World, The Prisoner, The Squares of the City, Thunderbirds, Tubb, White, Willis, Worlds for the Taking, Zenith.

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Unusually this is a Sikh restaurant and thus serves beer. I have eaten there several times: the meals are always of a high standard and the portions generous. There are almost as many vegetarian options as carnivorous. Heartily recommended by Mike Spiller.

RECORDING RECREATION!

There is currently underway a historic attempt to broadcast parts of the convention over the Internet. We're hoping to have a piece on this by Peter Sullivan next issue for more details, so if you have anything you want to contribute to that please feel free to tell us. So far, amongst the people that have been watching are fans from Britain who have to work this week and fans from all over the world who were familiar with Peter's excellent work at Corflu.

RIP RPG!

Sad news reaches the LX newsletter of the death of Dave Arneson, one of the co-creators of Dungeons and Dragons. He passed away earlier this week, and will be missed.

SOUVENIR SWEETENER!

Don't worry if your memory is not what it was! We have the solution: the LX Souvenir Book. A book of memories of the convention with articles and stories from the GoHs and your favourite convention personalities.

The Souvenir Book is also about your memories of the convention. Do you have a good photo, or a tale to tell? If you do let us add it to our collective memory and include it in the Souvenir Book.

Just email any photos or stories to the editor Steve Cooper at stephen.r.cooper@ntlworld.com or if you have time bring them along to the ConRunner con desk and he'll take them off you in person.

GALLOPING GAGARINS!

It's Gagarin Day tomorrow and apparently there's no programming to celebrate this. Wikipedia tells us about the official celebration, which mentions visiting lots of cemeteries and sounds rather morbid, so we have an alternative: the editor and the newsletter team are planning to be in the bar on Sunday evening to mark this event.

FUTURE FROLICS!

The next newsletter is currently scheduled to come out early this evening. Content should be e-mailed to news@lx2009.com, given to a newsletter person or put in the Big Newsletter Box in Ops, and any contributions are gratefully received.

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