

1975 | A WORLD SCIENCE FICTION CONVENTION IN AUSTRALIA

IT'S TIME!

for

AUSSIECON '75 - PROGRESS REPORT No 0

In 1975 (August 14-17) the 33rd World Science Fiction Convention will be held in Melbourne, Australia. Plan NOW to be there.

THE HOTEL

is Melbourne's finest hotel and one of the world's best - the Southern Cross. The hotel has complete convention facilities, including a large ballroom, many meeting rooms, plus restaurants, bars, and a large shopping centre. Each bedroom has a television set, a refrigerator, and air-conditioning. The Southern Cross has 450 bedrooms, and is in the centre of downtown Melbourne.

MEMBERSHIP FEES

SUPPORTING MEMBERSHIP: \$US 3

ATTENDING MEMBERSHIP: \$US 10

All those people who voted for either 1975 bid are now supporting members of Aussiecon. Pay \$7 to convert your supporting membership to an attending membership.

GUESTS OF HONOUR

PROFESSIONAL GUEST OF HONOUR: URSULA K LE GUIN

Ursula Le Guin is known as one of the great ladies of science fiction. For some years, fellow writers and science fiction fans alike have appreciated her wit and charm, as well as her ability to write such extraordinary s f novels as THE LEFT HAND OF DARKNESS and THE LATHE OF HEAVEN. The former book has the distinction of winning both the Hugo and Nebula Awards for Best Novel in the same year. Ursula Le Guin's "children's" books, such as THE WIZARD OF EARTHSEA and National Book Award winner THE FARTHEST SHORE, are read by as many adults as children. During recent years Ursula Le Guin has consistently supported Australian fans and fanzines, and she maintains strong links with Australia.

FAN GUESTS OF HONOUR: MICHAEL AND SUSAN GLICKSOHN have such high reputations that Australian fans had some doubts whether two such unlikely people could really exist. In Australia we had heard that Michael had a pet boa constrictor, wore weird Aussie-type clothes, and owned the Enchanted Duplicator itself. We had heard that Susan Glicksohn was beautiful, wrote brilliantly, and somehow aimed to become a Professor of English and the Duchess of Canadian Fandom at the same time. Even more incredible, they published ENERGUMEN, the world's most beautiful, readable, and egocentric fanzine. It has been nominated three times for a Hugo for Best Fanzine. Impossible? - but true! And we will meet these two living legends in Melbourne in 1975.

TRAVEL TO AUSTRALIA

Here is the painful bit, so we'll be honest. Your return air fare to Australia from the American west coast would cost up to \$550. We're working on it to make it less. Your convention expenses could be \$100, and if you want to tour extensively around Australia, the cost per mile is about the same as touring in North America. Many Aussiefans will be eager to show you around Melbourne. So, if you set aside between \$700 and \$1000 you should have the greatest convention you've ever attended, and the journey of a lifetime as well. Decide to go to Australia anyway - and then make it happen.

ALL CORRESPONDENCE

on Aussiecon '75 should be sent to one address:

AUSSIECON, G.P.O. BOX 4039, MELBOURNE, VICTORIA 3001, AUSTRALIA.

We can accept U.S., Canadian, and English cheques. Please add bank charges for cheques from other countries.

Hotel Southern Cross

Address: 131 Exhibition Street, Melbourne, Victoria, 3000.
 Telephone: 63 0221 Cable Address: INHOTELCOR

EQUIPMENT & SERVICES

- Simultaneous translation facilities.
- Free parking for all registered guests - 450 car capacity
- Registration facilities without additional charge
- Audio equipment, amplifiers, table and floor microphones and background music available on request.
- Car Display facilities.
- Pick-up point for major tour operators.
- Visual aids equipment, slide projector, motion picture projector, players and tape recorders available on request.
- Dining and cocktail facilities - "Club Grill", "Mayfair Restaurant", "Coolibah Restaurant", "Ice Cream Parlour", "Willawa Cocktail Lounge", "Public Bar", "The Tavern", "The Stable".
- Seventy shops and service facilities in hotel plaza area.

ACCOMMODATION

Description	No.	Room Charges Per Unit (A\$)	
		As Single	As Twin
Rooms	403	\$16.00	\$22.00
Suites	43	From \$46.00	From \$46.00

