

## Trivia Quiz

- Q 26 What do these movie actors have in common?  
Jack Pallance; George Hamilton;  
John Carradine; Christopher Lee;  
Louis Jourdan; William Marshall.
- Q 27 What were Mortimer Dart,  
Weston, Vaughan, Mark Lebbreau  
and Hellstrom?
- Q 28 Where would you find the  
following imaginary cities?  
Bellona? Diaspar? Todos Santos?  
Urbmon 116? Trantor?
- Q 29 Which is the odd pair out and  
why?  
Joan Vinge and Vernor Vinge  
Catherine Crook de Camp and L.  
Sprague de Camp  
Marion Zimmer Bradley and Paul  
Zimmer  
Karen Anderson and Poul Anderson  
Judy Watson and Ian Watson
- Q 30 What happens in all of these  
novels?  
Spinrad: *The Iron Dream*  
Leiber: *The Big Time*  
Dick: *The Man in the High Castle*  
Deighton: *SS/GB*  
Norton: *The Crossroads of Time*

## ANSWERS

Note: These answers have been compiled from totally unreliable sources, therefore no complaints will be accepted nor correspondence entered into.

- A 21 They all wrote Conan the Barbarian stories after Robert E. Howard died.
- A 22 Burroughs' *The Land That Time Forgot* - near the South Pole.  
Rider Haggard's *She* - Africa.  
Wyndham's *The Secret People* - under the Sahara Desert.  
Conan Doyle's *The Lost World* - on a plateau deep in the South American jungle  
Hilton's *Shangi-La* - the Himalayas
- A 23 (a) *Slaughterhouse Five* (Vonnegut)  
(b) *To Your Scattered Bodies Go* (Farmer)  
(c) *Tripnetary* (Smith)
- A 24 There is at least one scene in each movie in which a chicken plays a significant role.
- A 25 The earth is invaded.

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## FRIDAY NIGHT'S PARTIES

We started ranging far north last night, dropping in on Toronto's 2003 bid party. Their hostess greeted us and briefly explained the party's layout, directing Scott to the bar (straight away). It was all very professional; Toronto knows their party protocol! They, too, had a spread of cheeses and biscuits. We noticed the Cryonics group were skilled at extending the life of a party. Rumor has it they were still lively at 2am.

We skipped the trams, opting instead to walk the block back to the Centra to bask in a change of tropical scenery at Cancun's 2003 bid party. We admired the ingenuity of their tinsel palm trees hanging from the ceilings. Now that's portability! The hotel provided them with a wonderful array of cheeses and veggie and fruit platters. Their sangria was lip-smacking inventive. Teddy Harvia proudly described the first-wave crowd as epic. Judging from the remnants, we couldn't dispute this claim.

So up to the Centra hotel bar we trooped, since both bid parties were shut down by their hotels. This was certainly the place to hang out after 1:00 a.m. If you were lucky enough to catch the midnight fireworks at the casino, the Centra bar was a fitting conclusion to the evening. Party on, gang. We'll see you tonight!

By Kurt Baty and Scott Bobo

## Upcoming Parties

Beaker People Liberation Front with Nieuw Amsterdam '04, 6pm, Sat, Upper Deck bar, Centra.

There will be a Cryonics/life-extension room party on Saturday evening in the Holiday Inn on Flinders from 8pm until 2am in room 807.

Bucconeer '98 with Chicon '00 and the Millennium Philcon - 9pm Sunday - Bridge 2, Centra.

## Party Food

Coles Express Groceries etc., 24 hrs, 7 days. Bottom of Elizabeth St, across from McDonalds. (Near the main entrance to Flinders St. Station)

Special thanks to Sonja Jackson, Jan van 't Ent, Steve Davies, Emily McLeay, Karen Herkes & the above-mentioned reporters for the preparation of Monotreme

## In need of nourishment?

Randomly select any group of fans to form a dinner party and you inevitably get a chorus of dietary problems and preferences, ranging from "If I eat shellfish I will turn green and die," to "I don't like meat from animals with four legs or anything starting with the letter p."

Well, such a group descended on the Dragon Boat Restaurant the other night, downstairs in the Centra, and they coped wonderfully. We ordered their standard banquet. By the time they had made all the necessary substitutions to cope with our eating habits and allergies, there was nothing standard about it. But we all had a great time, loads to eat, and nothing was too much trouble for the staff. Thoroughly recommended.

Eat cute dead animals at the Jarrah Room, just past the Holiday Inn up Spencer St. Yabbies, kangaroo, crocodile, emu (and loads of plant matter I never heard of before) all feature on the menu.

Yabbies are a fresh water crustacean, not unlike a small lobster. Milder than prawn and containing negative calories, according to Mr P\_ D\_. He demolished several and found that the energy derived from eating them was greater than that required to get the little buggers out of their shells. The kangaroo was not unlike venison, a little dry as it is almost completely fat-free. At no time was anyone heard to say "Actually, it tastes like chicken."

The restaurant thoughtfully provided a rack of didgeridoos behind the door. Several patrons got up and had a bit of a didge while waiting for their food, to work up an appetite. Just as well, because portions are generous: you should have seen the size of the chocolate macadamia cake.

Lucrezia Borgia & Friends

## Othello's

A group of four of visited Othello's, a Greek restaurant on the South Riverwalk just a little past the Crown Casin. The food was wonderful and the service was excellent and friendly. The prices were quite reasonable as well.

We especially recommend the Mezo platter as an appetizer, and the moussaka, lamb souvlaki and mixed grillplate as main courses.

Chris O'Halloran

An American comments on Australian breakfasts: "If they can burn tomatoes, why can't they fry bacon?"