



THE SPEED OF DARK 9

He didn't take it well: 'Up your nose, jack. Find out yourself.' By the end of the hand the banker and I had sweetened the pot by several thousand dollars. The skipper called, and laid down his hand.

"My two pair had been the better hand. Now steering my new boat into the wide-open Gulf, I set the helm on automatic and stepped into the head to answer a call of nature. Done, I twisted the flush lever. It came off in my hand, and a grinding roar in the hull told me a valve had disintegrated. Water began gushing out, leaving the small closet ankle-deep in seawater. The ship was flooding -- would the engines go next? ...Later that evening, shark-watching and doing the dog paddle..."

1. Quick, Watson, the Flit!

Now that I'm getting review copies from Flunt Publishers, I get all the Gravid McGhee books free. I thought you'd like to read this excerpt from the first of the series, THE SCARLET O'HARA.

"The Busted Flush crossed the channel, its twin 37,000 horsepower Bandini diesels chugging topoketa-topoketa. Once it had belonged to a very rich man whose compnay I shared during an evening around a felt-topped table in Barbados. His streak of poor luck evidenced itself as his poker chips accumulated in front of every other player.

"Two hours before dawn the skipper's billfold fired a blank. In the middle of a hand he'd reached in planning to buy additional chips, and finding nothing he and the banker exchanged dazed stares. At that point only the skipper, banker and I were in the hand. The skipper would forfeit several thousand dollars by failing to meet my raise.

"In a moment the skipper had his pen out. He scribbled quickly on the reverse of a wet-ringed paper coaster, and said, "As you know, my houseboat Busted Flush is moored in the marina at Reivers Bay Club, ten minutes drive from here. I will sign it over to the winner of this hand in the event I lose. By the way, do you know why I named it Busted Flush?"

"I don't have to guess, seeing you play poker tonight," said I smugly.

TRIVIA 2

If Marty Massoglia has his way, the Trivia Contest will become a Legend. Milt Stevens published the "proceedings" of the first contest, now follow the questions and answers that formed the second contest. Despite the risk of omitting a name (which happened last time, resulting in a modified limited tantrum in print) the following people helped write and edit these questions: Marty Massoglia, Mike Glycer, Craig Miller, Ed Finkelstein, Bill Welden, Bruce Pelz, Dan Deckert, Chandra Sargent, Allan Rothstein and, of course, Milt Stevens.

GAME ONE

Triple Plays

1. Name the three stories in THE COMPLEAT ENCHANTER.
2. Give all three of the original titles of DeCamp and Pratt's famous trilogy.
3. Piers Anthony wrote what is so far a trilogy, in which every title starts with the same letter. Name the three.
4. Name the three Laumer novels featuring Lafayette O'Leary.
5. Gordon R. Dickson wrote a "secret" trilogy for juveniles. Name the titles.

Erbs & Spices

1. Who was the hero of PELLUCIDAR?
2. What was the name of the "Wrong-Way-Corrigan" type in PIRATES OF VENUS?
3. Barney Custer was the hero of THE MAD KING. His sister was the heroine of what other Burroughs novel?
4. In TARZAN OF THE APES, what was the name of Jane's maid?
5. What were the surnames of the first and second Martians killed by John Carter?

Hollywood Strikes

1. What characteristic distinguished the Invaders?
2. What film was Harlan Ellison's first screen credit?
3. What sf author collaborated with William Faulkner?
4. What sf author co-wrote this year's Academy Awards program?
5. What actor played three different roles in Son of Blob?

Sin In Space

1. Who wrote the novel this category is named after? (Sin In Space)
2. Which Anderson book was published as a Beacon/Galaxy novel?
3. What was the Beacon/Galaxy novel title of Farmer's MOTH & RUST?
4. What was the Beacon/Galaxy novel title of Van Vogt's THE HOUSE THAT STOOD STILL?
5. Randall Garrett and Larry M. Harris (later Laurence Jannifer) wrote an original novel for Beacon/Galaxy novels. Name it.

It's A Bird

1. Name three super powered Thunder agents.
2. Name the three titles of Kirby's fourth world trilogy.
3. Name the X-Men in issue #1.

4. Name three non-Bradbury paperback reprints of E.C. Comics.
5. Ballantine printed two paperback collections of Bradbury stories from E.C. Comics. Name them.

Jack of All Trades

1. Name Vance's sequel to THE DYING EARTH.
2. Besides Cyril Kornbluth and Lester del Rey, what other major sf author did Frederik Pohl collaborate with on novels?
3. Name the two novels Williamson wrote as Will Stewart.
4. Who wrote SUNDIAL and "The Lottery"?
5. Who wrote THE BODY SNATCHERS?

The First Pub

1. What was the original title of THIS IMMORTAL by Zelazny?
2. What was the original title of Norton's LAST PLANET?
3. What was the original title of Heinlein's STARSHIP TROOPERS?
4. What was the magazine title of Asimov's STARS LIKE DUST?
5. What was the original title of Pratt's ALIEN PLANET?

All In Fun

1. Why did Gallagher build Joe?
2. In A GNOME THERE WAS by Kuttner, what creature could gnomes not stand the sight of?
3. Why would a Terran build a Bopamagilvie?
4. In MATHEMATICS OF MAGIC by Kuttner, on what work was the world based (or vice versa)?
5. To what kingdom did Lafayette O'Leary go in AXE AND DRAGON (TIME BENDER) by Keith Laumer?

Fan-Tastic

1. Who is the most recent DUFF winner?
2. At Midamericon, Robert Heinlein ended up wearing a stripper's brassiere as epaulets. Name the stripper.
3. Name the two most recent TAFF winners.
4. What was the last mimeographed fanzine nominated for a Hugo?
5. Which apazine has had the most issues published?

Dragon Along

1. What does JRR stand for in Tolkien's name?
2. How many rings were forged at Mount Doom?
3. Who gave the Compleat Werewolf the magic word?
4. Name the twin sword of "Stormbringer."
5. Name six of the Chronicles of Narnia.

SECOND GAME

Triple Threats

1. Name the novels in Jack Vance's Demon Prince trilogy.
2. Which magazine did Pohl and Williamson's Star Child trilogy appear in?
3. Name the lead character from each novel in THREE TO DORSAI.
4. Name the magazine titles of Harrison's Deathworld Trilogy.
5. Alfred Coppel wrote a juvenile trilogy under the name Robert Cham Gilman. Name the three titles.

Heinlein In Dimension

1. Before Jill moved in, name two of the people who responded when Jubal Harshaw yelled "Front!"
2. What was Waldo's dog's name?
3. What was Slipstick Libby's full name?
4. In SIXTH COLUMN, on what technological breakthrough -- named after its discoverer -- were all the "miracles" based on?
5. Lummo's hobby was raising John Thomas Stuarts. What was the number of the one in the book?

Hollywood Strikes Again

1. Who is the only sf author to win three Writers Guild awards?
2. Earl Holliman was the cook. Michael Anderson played the doctor. Name the film.
3. THIS ISLAND EARTH was based on a book by what sf author?
4. Name the wizards in WIZARDS.
5. In what city was HAL 9000 constructed?

Letters

1. What does TANSTAAFL stand for?
2. What does MYOB stand for?
3. What does TANJ stand for?
4. What does THRUSH stand for?
5. Andre Norton has sf book titles starting with every letter but one. Which is it?

It's A Plane

1. What comic company printed Herbie?
2. When Marvel started Submariner in his own strip in the 60s, who shared his magazine?
3. What are the effects of blue kryptonite?
4. Name six of DC's Blackhawks.
5. What does SHIELD stand for?

Bob Tales

1. What was Heinlein's first story?
2. What sf author likes to write about Jack the Ripper?
3. Silverberg wrote a novel about a telepath gradually losing his powers. What was the title?
4. What was Sheckley's first novel?
5. What was the title of Howard's interplanetary novel?

A Novel Start

1. What was Larry Niven's first published novel?
2. What was Richard Matheson's first published sf novel?
3. What was Piers Anthony's first published novel?
4. Which Marion Zimmer Bradley novel first saw print?
5. What was Clifford Simak's first serialized novel?

Grab Bag

1. Who was the hero of DEATHWORLD?
2. Who was Muad-Dib's sister?
3. What author has had the most sf books published in America?
4. In the SECOND FOUNDATION, who was First Speaker?
5. How was the space drive discovered in WHAT MAD UNIVERSE?

Faneditors

1. Who edited TRUMPET?
2. Who edited LIGHTHOUSE?
3. What fanzine did Ray Bradbury edit?
4. What was the first fanzine?
5. Who edited Volume I of AMRA?

1001 KNIGHTS

1. Name the only Lord Darcy novel.
2. In the Wizard of Earthsea trilogy, on what island was the school for wizards located?
3. Name the four incarnations of the Eternal Champion featured in novels by Moorcock.
4. Name the seven dwarves.
5. Where are these three places located? Arthedain, Rhudaur, Cardolan.

THIRD GAME

Triple Action

1. In what magazine was Jack Vance's ANOME (THE FACELESS MAN) trilogy originally serialized?
2. Name three of the five Demon Princes from Jack Vance's trilogy.
3. Who was the lead character in Pohl and Williamson's Undersea Trilogy?
4. Name the three novels in either John Christopher trilogy.
5. Name John Starr's three legionnaire friends in Jack Williamson's Legion of Space trilogy.

The Norse Poul

1. What was Poul Anderson's first published story?
2. What was the full name of the Ambassador to the Hoka?
3. What was Anderson's first hardcover novel?
4. What was the magazine title of the first Van Rijn story?
5. What 1960 Anderson novel, based upon his first published story, has never appeared in paperback?

What's Opera, Doc?

1. Who was the First Lensman?
2. In the hierarchy of Boskone, what planet was immediately below Eddore?
3. Who was the hero in TRIPLANETARY?
4. Name the three Doc Smith novels not in a series.
5. Who was the first Arisian to contact Eddore?

Fill-Ups

1. Who wrote AFTER WORLDS COLLIDE?
2. Who wrote the Father John Carmody stories?
3. Who wrote the novels CANTATA 140, PROJECT FLOWSHARE and ALL WE MARS-MEN?
4. Garrett and Jannifer collaborated on a trilogy under a pen name. What was the pseudonym?
5. Lester Del Rey wrote two of the old Winston Juveniles under the same pseudo. What was it?

It Was A Bird

1. Give the secret identities of both the old and new Flash.
2. What alien race spawned Marvel's Captain Marvel?
3. Name the Metal Men and their inventor.
4. What are the effects of silver kryptonite?
5. In the Fifties, how many issues of the comic book format MAD were there?

Frankly Speaking

1. Give the first and last name of the creator of life in Mary Shelley's famous novel?
2. What was the original title of the first novel by the author of DUNE?
3. What was the second book in the Oz series?
4. The author of ALAS, BABYLON wrote a novel in which almost every man on earth becomes sterile. What was the title?
5. In what SF novel is the key question "How do you know you're sane?"

Hugo's Angels

1. What woman has won the most pro Hugos?
2. Who was the first female pro writer to win a Hugo?
3. Who was the first woman nominated for the Best Novel Hugo?
4. Who was the first woman ever nominated for a Hugo?
5. Who was the first woman to win ANY Hugo?

You'll Be Sorry

1. Vy a duck?
2. Were wolf?
3. African or European?
4. Where will you find the story of Bat Durston?
5. Did you have one grunch?

Fandomonium

1. At what convention will the Hugo Awards be given for the 25th time?
2. What fan became an award-winning western novelist?
3. Name the three Worldcons that have published Proceedings.
4. After coming to America, Walt Willis wrote an account of his travels. What was the title?
5. What recent convention didn't show up for its guest of honor -- rather than the opposite, which happens a bit more often?

Fantasy

1. In what book of fantasy, written by a major sf author, did a werewolf marry a witch?

2. Who is the hero of WITCHWORLD?
3. Who did Conan marry?
4. Mordred is the son of King Arthur and who else?
5. Name the fantasy novel written by Lester Del Rey based on Norse myths.

THE ANSWERS

(TRIPLE PLAYS)

1. THE ROARING TRUMPET, THE CASTLE OF IRON, THE MATHEMATICS OF MAGIC. (DeCamp & Pratt)
2. INCOMPLETE ENCHANTER, CASTLE OF IRON, WALL OF SERPENTS
3. OMNIVORE, ORN, OX
4. AXE AND DRAGON (TIME BENDERS), THE WORLD SHUFFLER, THE SHAPE CHANGER
5. SECRET UNDER THE SEA; SECRET UNDER THE CARIBBEAN; SECRET UNDER THE ANTARCTIC.

(ERBS & SPICES)

1. David Innes.
2. Carson Napier
3. THE ETERNAL LOVER (ETERNAL SAVAGE)
4. Esmeralda
5. Dotar and Sojat. In various books in the Mars series, Dotar Sojat was used as an alias by Carter.

(HOLLYWOOD STRIKES)

1. They couldn't move their pinkies.
2. The Oscar
3. Leigh Brackett - THE BIG SLEEP
4. Ray Bradbury
5. Larry Hagman

(SIN IN SPACE)

1. Kornbluth and Merrill (as Cyril Judd) Also titled MARS CHILD or OUTPOST MARS.
2. VIRGIN PLANET
3. A WOMAN A DAY
4. THE MATING CRY
5. PAGAN PASSIONS

(IT'S A BIRD)

1. The Raven
2. The New Gods, The Forever People, Mister Miracle
3. The Beast, Marvel Girl, Cyclops, Iceman and The Angel (& Prof. X)
4. Tales From The Crypt; Vault of Horror; Incredible Science Fiction
5. Tomorrow Midnight; The Autumn People.

(JACK OF ALL TRADES)

1. EYES OF THE OVERWORLD
2. Jack Williamson
3. SEETEE SHIP; SEETEE SHOCK
4. Shirley Jackson
5. Jack Finney

(THE FIRST PUB)

1. "And Call Me Conrad."
2. STAR RANGERS
3. STARSHIP SOLDIERS
4. TYRANN (in GALAXY)
5. VOICE ACROSS THE YEARS (in Science Wonder Stories)

(ALL IN FUN)

1. To open beer cans. From ROBOTS HAVE NO TAILS by Kuttner
2. Man
3. To summon his Eustace -- from THE SPACE WILLIES or PLUS X by Eric Frank Russell
4. Edmund Spenser's FAERIE QUEENE
5. Artesia

(FAN-TASTIC)

1. Christine McGowan
2. Patia Von Sternberg
3. Roy Tackett & Bill Bowers
4. STARLING
5. Probably Something by Tom Digby

DRAGON ALONG

1. John Ronald Reuel
2. One
3. Ozymandias (word: Abarska)
4. Mournblade
5. MAGICIANS NEPHEW; THE LION, THE WITCH AND THE WARDROBE; VOYAGE OF THE DAWN TREADER; SILVER CHAIR; THE LAST BATTLE; PRINCE CASPIAN; HORSE AND HIS BOY.

(TRIPLE THREATS)

1. STAR KING, PALACE OF LOVE, THE KILLING MACHINE
2. IF
3. Donal Graeme (Dorsai), Paul Formain (Necromancer) Cletus Graeme (Tactics of Mistake)

4. DEATHWORLD, THE ETHICAL ENGINEER,
THE HORSE BARBARIANS
5. REBEL OF RHADA, NAVIGATOR OF
RHADA, STARKHAN OF RHADA

(HEINLEIN IN DIMENSION)

1. Miriam, Anne, or Dorcas.
2. Baldur: "Waldo" by Heinlein
3. Andrew Jackson Libby
4. Ledbetter Effect
5. Nine

(HOLLYWOOD STRIKES AGAIN)

1. Harlan Ellison
2. Forbidden Planet
3. THIS ISLAND EARTH by R.F. Jones
4. Avatar and Blackwolf
5. Champagne-Urbana (Illinois)

(LETTER)

1. There ain't no such thing as a
free lunch. (THE MOON IS A HARSH
MISSTRESS by Heinlein)
2. Mind your own business. THE
GREAT EXPLOSION by Eric Frank Russell
3. There ain't no justice. (Niven)
4. The Technological Hierarchy for
the Removal of Undesirables and the
Subjugation of Humanity.
5. R

(IT'S A PLANE)

1. Ace, or American Comics Corp.
2. The Hulk
3. Weakens bizarro characters
4. Blackhawk, Olaf, Chuck, Stanislau,
Andre, Hendirckson, and of
course, Chop Chop. Lady Blackhawk
doesn't count.
5. Supreme Headquarters International
Espionage Law-Enforcement Division.

(BOB TALES)

1. Lifeline
2. Robert Bloch ("Yours Truly, Jack
The Ripper.")
3. DYING INSIDE
4. TIME KILLER (Galaxy), IMMORTAL-
ITY DELIVERED (Avalon) IMMORTALITY
INC. (Bantam) (Three diff. titles)
5. Almuric

(A NOVEL START)

1. WORLD OF PTAVVS -- 1965
2. I AM LEGEND - 1954
3. CHTHON - 1967
4. PLANET SAVERS - 1958 (Amazing)
5. COSMIC ENGINEERS - 1939

(GRAB BAG)

1. Jason Din Alt
2. Alia (from DUNE)
3. Andre Norton - 70
4. Preem Palver
5. By fixing a sewing machine.
(Frederic Brown)

(FANEDITORS)

1. Tom Reamy
2. Terry Carr
3. FUTURIA FANTASIA
4. COMET, by Palmer
5. George Heap

(1001 KNIGHTS)

1. TOO MANY MAGICIANS
2. Roke
3. Elric, Corum, Dorian Hawkmoon,
Erekose
4. Happy, Sleepy, Grumpy, Bashful,
Sneezy, Dopey and Doc
5. Arnor, Eriador or Middle Earth

(TRIPLE ACTION)

1. F&SF
2. Lens Larque, Howard Alan Treesong,
Viola Falushe, Attle Malagate,
Kokor Hekkus
3. Jim (James) Eden
4. PRINCE IN WAITING, BEYOND THE
BURNING LAND, SWORD OF THE SPIRITS
-- or -- CITY OF GOLD AND LEAD,
WHITE MOUNTAINS and POOL OF FIRE
5. Giles Habbibula, Hal Samdu,
Jay Kalam

(THE NORSE POUL)

1. "Tomorrow's Children" with
F.M. Waldrop
2. Alexander Braithwright Jones
3. VAULT OF THE AGES - 1952
4. THE MAN WHO COUNTS (WAR OF THE
WINGMEN)
5. TWILIGHT WORLD

(WHAT'S OPERA DOC?)

1. Virgil Samms
2. Ploor
3. Conway Costigan
4. (Any three) GALAXY PRIMES,
MASTERS OF SPACE, SPACEHOUNDS OF
THE IPC, SUBSPACE EXPLORERS
5. Enphilistor

(FILL-UPS)

1. Philip Wylie and Edwin Balmer
2. Philip Jose Farmer
3. Philip K. Dick. They're better known as CRACK IN SPACE, THE ZAPGUN, and MARTIAN TIME-SLIP.
4. Mark Phillips. BRAIN TWISTER, IMPOSSIBLES, SUPERMIND
5. Philip St. John ROCKETS TO NOWHERE

(IT WAS A BIRD)

1. old: Jay Garrick; new: Barry Allen
2. The Kree
3. Iron, Lead, Gold, Tin, Platinum, Mercury. Doc Magnus.
4. None. It was a hoax.
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(FRANKLY SPEAKING)

1. Victor Frankenstein
2. UNDER PRESSURE (Frank Herbert): aka DRAGON IN THE SEA, 21ST CENTURY SUB.
3. THE LAND OF OZ (or THE MARVELOUS LAND OF OZ) L. Frank Baum
4. MR. ADAM by Pat Frank
5. DREADFUL SANCTUARY

(HUGO'S ANGELS)

1. Ursula LeGuin; 3; Word For World Is Forest; Left Hand of Darkness; The Dispossessed.
2. Anne McCaffrey -- WEYR SEARCH '68
3. Marion Zimmer Bradley SWORD OF ALDONES, 1963
4. Juanita Coulson (1957) coeditor of YANDRO
5. Pat Lupoff (1963) coeditor of XERO

(YOU'LL BE SORRY)

1. Vy a no chicken?
2. There wolf. There castle.
3. I don't know that. (MONTY PYTHON AND THE HOLY GRAIL)
4. Never In GALAXY
5. But the eggplant over there.

(FANDOMONIUM)

1. Iguanacon -- the '78 Worldcon
2. Lee Hoffman
3. Chicon 3 (1962), Discon 1 (1963) Noreascon (1971)
4. THE HARP STATESIDE
5. Ozarkon, which didn't inform its goh Larry Niven of its cancellation until after he'd arrived.

(FANTASY)

1. OPERATION CHAOS
2. Simon Tregarth
3. Zenobia
4. Morgause
5. DAY OF THE GIANTS (When The World Tottered)

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SCIENCE FICTION CLUB LIST

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Dear Fan:

In a move to revive the once-published LASFS science fiction club listing (May 1975) I am asking for your help and knowledge of science fiction clubs in your area.

This questionnaire is being sent to all who were listed in the original guide, to those who sent additional facts after it was published, to officers in new clubs I've read about, as well as various fans who may have useful information on their locales.

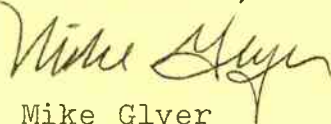
Given fandom's changeability, I think the surest course is to list only those clubs that provide fresh information -- to avoid misdirecting the guide's users to defunct organizations. "Reliable sources" with second-hand news are also welcome -- clubs heard about second-hand will be noted with a dagger -- as in the original list by Fred Patten. Therefore I especially urge anybody with word of university or small sf clubs (eg, school or library-based) to put us in touch with each other to make this list as comprehensive as possible.

Please send the following data:

1. Name of club
2. Name and address and phone number of contact person
3. Meeting place, if fixed.
4. Frequency of meetings
5. Membership requirements, if any, and dues.
6. Briefly, date and circumstances of founding.
7. Interests and special activities.
8. Publications and apas.
9. Conventions

In some cases the information in the original list may still be correct: if so all you need do is let me know and I will reprint it.

With thanks,


Mike Glyer