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There are a number of events coming up which I would like to let everyone know about, and writing the first of what may become a regular publication seemed a good enough way to do it. This first issue of the club newsletter does not have a very inspiring name, but if anyone has any ideas, I am open to suggestions for the next issue.

I have identified two dates for the club's first attempt at Live Role Playing; this will take place on either Saturday 5th May or Sunday 6th May. Attached to the newsletter is a tear-off slip. If anyone wants to take part in the Live Role Playing, please complete the slip and return it to me as soon as possible, and certainly no later than Thursday 29th March. I will be needing people to act as adversaries for the party of adventurers, and a few to help me referee the event, so please volunteer for something. There will be other Live Role Playing sessions, so don't think that you are going to miss out just because you aren't an adventurer this time. It is worth noting that we still do not have permission to use the intended location for the game, but I will keep you posted. We do have an alternative, so never fear. I also intend to have a party in the evening, which will, of course, be in Role Playing dress, but that also has yet to be approved by the Management.

After all the slips have been returned, we will have to organise a few sessions to manufacture Live Role Playing weaponry using the Barbarian Blacksmith's Handbook. Some people already have copies of this guide to making LRP weapons, and I would encourage them to get cracking NOW to make whatever they would like to use on the day; we have not got a lot of time to sort these things out.

I am also trying to organise a 3 to 5 hour Laser Tag game on a Sunday sometime soon. A firm called Event Horizon, based in Sheffield, are offering to run a scenario for 16 to 24 people based on a cross between Traveller and Warhammer 40K for the small fee of £12.50 each. When I tell you that they really do mean scenario and not just a game of blast-anything-that-moves, I'm sure that it is good value for money, especially as they are going to provide all the equipment. They claim that their scenarios will be as taxing mentally as they are physically, and having spoken to them on the phone, I believe them. I have already asked some people if they are interested and got a good response, so it looks like it will be happening. Can I ask anyone who is interested in joining in to complete the second of the tear-off slips connected to this newsletter. People who have already expressed an interest should still complete the slip, and return it to me by Thursday 29th March. I will then go ahead with organising the date. Note that it will be later in the year than the Live Role Playing session. If anyone is very interested in what Event Horizon are doing, they are running a major Science Fiction Live Role Playing weekend on 30th March. I have details on request.

We are lacking any form of competition at the moment, both within the club and between clubs (which we were never very good at organising). I intend to put that right with a simple space wargame tournament. The tournament will be run as a sort of league with six people in a group, each having to play against the other five. STARFIRE rules will be used, copies of which can be obtained from me. If the first one is a success, we may introduce a financial incentive. Once again, there is the tear-off slip if you are interested. This time, return by Thursday 12th April. Note that the first six positive answers will start off the tournament. Other multiples of six players may join in later.

That's it for this issue. If you have any suggestions, or anything you would like included in the next issue, let me know. Finally, I would like to announce the SASRA Wargames and FRP Club Annual General Meeting, which will be held on Thursday 29th March 1990 at 7.30pm prompt, before the usual role playing session.

Ray Casson
Chairman
14th March 1990

Tear-off slips section

Note that "*" means "delete as appropriate"

I want to take part in the Live Role Playing on Saturday/Sunday 5th/6th May.
I am available to be:

- An Adventurer (Yes/No/Maybe) (1st/2nd/3rd choice)*
- A Monster (Yes/No/Maybe) (1st/2nd/3rd choice)*
- A Referee (Yes/No/Maybe) (1st/2nd/3rd choice)*

Please indicate availability and order of preference; anyone who doesn't volunteer for all three is a smelly troll's armpit.

Name (please print)

Please return on or by Thursday 29th March 1990.

I am interested in taking part in the Laser Tag session (Yes/No/Maybe)*. I think £12.50 is a measly price to pay for 3 to 5 hours of mentally and physically taxing scenario, and I'm sure that the session in the pub afterwards will be a good place to plan the next one.

Name (please print)

Please return on or by Thursday 29th March 1990.

I want to take part in the STARFIRE tournament, as I make Admiral James T Kirk look like the ageing old codger that he really is, who couldn't even keep the USS Enterprise out of Klingon hands (Yes/No/Maybe)*.

Name (please print)

Please return on or by Thursday 12th April 1990.