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Matthew: SPOOKS & HOOKS

The last day, the last issue. After four days of panels, discussions, drinking, dancing, theater, Hugo, and much more, we will have had a great convention.

Darius Hupov: The Galactic Imaginarium Podcast

For me is the first Worldcon ever and I have enjoyed it so much! There were so many opportunities to make new friends and to start new projects. Also, I have met old friends, some of them after 20 years! The Con had good and bad parts, as any Con has, but as they say, one cannot make everyone happy. What remains are the memories and the taste of Science Fiction...if you know what I mean ;)

Dieter Schmidt:

Since I have not read the lines above, I do not know whether the HUGO ceremony was already mentioned. However, it was a great event, especially the peripheral aspects. The most humorous notes were provided by the closed caption system/person(s) which tended to transcribe a fair part of the speakers' vocal utterings into involuntary ridiculous interpretations: bored of the rings instead of lord of the rings, or cream of xxx (?) instead of game of thrones ... One other surprise was the "thank you" speech of the Campbell Award winner. The young lady started calling him an old fascist and got rather excited about some other political issues dear to her heart. Quite unexpected, this all, but definitely emotional. Still, as we are at a sff convention, neither the audience nor the organisers or moderators had any serious problems with this "incident", which is great in itself.

Dieter Schmidt:

Obviously nobody seems to have volunteered for finishing this second page of Confact 180. Maybe too many people are busy coping with the fact that this very monday is the final day of WorldCon 2019? Citing the classical words of German massive output author Dirk van den Boom, who is currently sitting left of me: Uah, so, friends and romans: This is the final line, and maybe gets to print even today.

Matthew:

So, Dieter was wrong: it was end of page 1. Please fill this site!

Dave Lally:

REMINDER 1 - Don't forget: Eurocon/Titancon Thu 22-Sun

25 Aug (this coning weekend) - Hilton Hotel Belfast (GoH: George R R Martin) titancon.com double check re last minute memberships,

REMINDER 2 - after Monday 19 Dead Dogs (Martins Bar - CCD 2000 till 0200), Dead Dogs 2 is on Tuesday 20 Aug Ryans Bar STORE St (not Stove St) beside Busarus (with the Airport 747 Bus stop right outside). Close to Busarus LUAS (Tram red line) stop: 1000-1600. I am your host. Be Seeing You!

REMINDER 3 - Enterprise Train Con (up to Belfast Eurocon) Connolly Rail Stn (Wed 21 Aug) in Madigans Bar from 1300 (to the left of the Station destination display). With your rail ticket Dublin Connolly -> Belfast Lanyon Place already in your hand, we then catch the 1520 train. We then have to get off at Newry Stn (the 1st Stn in N/Ireland) and then due to some track repairs, are bussed the rest of the way to Belfast. Your host is Dave Lally and on the rail journey, you may issue insults etc as you pass - at high speed on the train (it has a local suburban stop) - his home town!!

Hans-Ulrich Boettcher:

Dublin 2019 - An Irish Worldcon has been a total success.

Especially strong was the science programming; I have been to many talks on panels on astronomy and physics that I enjoyed very much. Other highlights of the convention were an academic panel on Chinese science fiction and Robert Corvus's talk about the world's largest literary endeavour of all times: the PERRY RHODAN series with more than three thousand episodes so far. Apart from lectures and panels there was a wide variety of musical performances (for example concerts performed by the Dublin Worldcon Orchestra and the Irish Video Game Orchestra). Most programme items were very popular; so you had to queue; but the waiting line management of the organizers was very efficient. It's a pity that this World Conevention closes today. But I would like to paraphrase a former German soccer coach: After the convention is before the convention. So I am looking forward to the Eurocon in Belfast starting in three days.

BiFi:

Nach der Hugo-Verleihung noch nette Gespräche geführt und mit der Gewinnerin für den besten Roman, Mary Robinette Kowal, gekuschelt und Hugo gehalten :-) Jetzt muss sie nur noch ins Deutsche übersetzt werden. Und es hat mich sehr gefreut, dass Becky Chambers einen Hugo für ihre Serie "Wayfarers" gewonnen hat.

Und nun am Montag Con-Blues. Habe es nicht in die geplanten Programmpunkte geschafft, dafür aber noch ein paar Dinge gekauft und von den ersten Besuchern Abschied genommen. Heute Abend dann noch die Dead Dog Party.

Schee wars :-)

That is the end of ConFact on Dublin 2019 - An Irish WorldCon.

We see us on Thursday in Belfast.