



CALENDAR

JANUARY - JUNE 2009

THIS VERSION IS CURRENT AS AT 6 FEBRUARY 2009
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JANUARY

9 Jan - **The Great Book Cull**
(Library Working Bee 8 to 10 Jan)

16 Jan - MSFC **Official start to 2009**
Weird stuff: Christmas gifts show'n'tell

23 Jan - **Solve that storage problem!**
Bookcase building for beginners.
(Beats glueing DVD box sets together).

30 Jan - **Wall-E** Film Discussion Night

FEBRUARY

6 Feb - **Quiz Night & Pancakes**
A Shrove Friday event.
Quiz hosted by Duncan (first time!)

13 Feb - **1The Profit** - was this movie
a parody of Scientology, or a general
warning of the dangers of cults?

20 Feb - AUTHOR NIGHT -
CHUCK MCKENZIE

From humour to horror
Chuck McKenzie is author of the novel
World's Apart ("the Australian Red
Dwarf") and member of the Australian
Horror Writers' Association. He's also
a booshop manager for one of the
major chains. Come along to hear his
insights into publishing - as writer and
retailer.

27 Feb - FILM DISCUSSION NIGHT -
Global Haywire

After heatwaves, floods, power cuts
and Antarctica' ice coming to our
shores, find how a mix of live-action
and animation communicates the
global warming message. Better than
Al Gore and more fun, and Australian-
made too!

MARCH

Saturday 1 Mar - SYDNEY RD FESTIVAL

6 Mar - **Quiz Night & Mexican Food**

13 Mar - ARTIST NIGHT

Meredith Turnbull
**"I thought that Love was Science
Fiction" - sculpture**

Meredith Turnbull is Gallery Manager/
Curator at the The University of
Melbourne's Victorian College of the
Arts (VCA) Margaret Lawrence Gallery in
Southbank. A photographer, sculptor
and installation-based artist, Meredith
says "Abstraction, Formalism, SF and the
supernatural form the basis of my artis-
tic practice."

Explore SF as an inspiration in high art.

20 Mar - **John Hinde Award**

The late broadcaster John Hinde
bequeathed \$500,000 for an annual
award to celebrate the best Australian
SF screenplay, TV or film production.

Awarded for the first time on 15
August 2008 as part of the Augies,
tonight a speaker representing the
Australian Writers Guild discusses the
John Hinde Award.

To be confirmed; check the web site.

27 Mar - FILM DISCUSSION NIGHT -
**Slipstream (1989) Mark Hamill,
Robbie Coltrane, Ben Kingsley**

Five SF movies have used this title, is
this post-apocalyptic adventure the
best of them, or the worst?

APRIL

3 Apr - **Quiz Night & Slow Cooked
Casseroles**

10 Apr - *Good Friday: No Club meeting*

17 Apr - set up for All-Club minicon

18 April - **ALL-CLUB MINICON**
10.00am to 4.30pm

All Melbourne's SF Clubs under one roof.
Guest of Honour: Kim Westwood

24 Apr - FILM DISCUSSION NIGHT -
Superman Returns - subtitle special

When the dialogue has passed
through two languages, is this now
one of Hollywood's finest comedies?

MAY

1 May - **Trivia + hot'n'cold desserts**

8 May - **music by the fans**
Firefly, Star Trek, Star Wars, but not
filking! Professional musicians and
their officially-released songs inspired
by their love for the genre.

15 May - FILMMAKER NIGHT -
RORY YOUNG

Rory Young, aged 11, winner of the
Australia-wide ACMI Screen It 2008
school-age film-making competition
(Category: Animation) shows and talks
about his award winning claymation
film "Australian Identity" and his other
work. Come and meet one of the next
generation's film-makers.

22 May - FILM DISCUSSION NIGHT -
Ghost in the Shell 2: Innocence
Anime. Finalist for Palme D'Or at Cannes.

29 May - **The Vampire Bites Back**
Sam Rooney reviews vampires: the
changes through the ages.

JUNE

5 June - **Quiz and Aussie Food**
Barbecue and/or fish and chips.

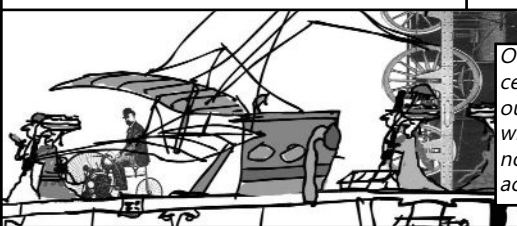
12 June - **Actors who can sing (almost)**
Does William Shatner's "Common
People" cut Pulp's original? (Ed: Yes)

19 June - **Midwinter Author Night**

26 Jun Film Discussion **Gods & Monsters**

JULY

6 July - **Quiz & slow cooked gumbo**
13 July - **Annual General Meeting**



*On Global Haywire: "It's exhilarating con-
ceptually. You learn a lot, you laugh, you're
outraged. Regardless of whether you agree
with this interpretation of history you can-
not fail to be impressed by Bruce Petty's
achievement. " **** Margaret Pomeranz*