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**Glitter #61, April 27, 2012**, is the more-or-less official publication of Corflu Glitter, which now recedes into fanhistory. With this issue, *Glitter* heads off in the same direction.

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It is also available as a free download at:

[www.Corflu.org](http://www.Corflu.org)

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## **Corflu Glitter Attendance Breaks 90!**

Corflu Glitter finished with a total of 90 memberships, despite the terrible overall economic conditions that kept many fans at home. The pinch is reflected in the fact that the actual attendance was 69.

"There's no question that wallet problems kept some Corflu regulars from making the trip," observed Joyce Katz, Corflu Glitter chairman. "We missed them and, sadly, they missed a fine fannish weekend."

## **Portland Confirmed for 2013!**

Excitement about Corflu 30 has run high ever since Dan & Lynn Steffan announced their desired to host the 2013 edition, and the combination of the allure of Portland and the popularity of the hosting couple

Dan's speech, backed by Corflu XXX's second promotional piece, at the Corflu banquet focused on some of the unique aspects of Corflu XXX. Fans affirmed their interest with a unanimous vote of approval.

Corflu XXX is scheduled for the first weekend in May (May 3, 4 and 5), 2013. The combination of the Steffans' understanding of Corflu and the many attractions of their hometown should yield a very enjoyable gathering.

## **Claire Brialey Named Corflu Goth!**

Luck is a highly rated commodity in Las Vegas and Las Vegas Corflu's good luck with its Guests of Honor continues. When Tee Cochran picked the slip out of the hat held by Joyce Katz, it produced the name "Claire Brialey."

Claire was already doing a lot for Corflu. She was the UK representative, moderated the panel "Focus on the Fan Funds" on Friday and was a member of the con's Keynote Panel "Fandom 2020" on Saturday.

At the banquet, Claire gave what may be the first non-linear Corflu Go Speech. She spoke engagingly about her memories of the various Corflus she has attended. Other fans picked cards from a pack held by Mark Plummer to determine the order in which Claire presented her memories.

## **Two Fans Win Lifetime Achievement Awards!**

Earl Kemp and Shelby Vick joined Ted White and Art Widner as recipients of the Lifetime Achievement Awards. Joyce Katz presented framed certificates, featuring a gorgeous Dan Steffan drawing, to the pair at the Corflu Glitter banquet.

Begun in 2010, the Lifetime Achievement Awards salute living fans for their excellent fanac over a long career in Fandom. A two-phase process selects the recipients.

Phase One is the popular vote. The current Corflu Chairman appoints a Teller, who collects and counts all nominations.

The Teller sends the names of the fans who got the most nominations, without totals, to the current Corflu Chairman, who also heads the LAA Judging Committee. The other members are the immediate past Corflu Chairman, the current Fan Achievement Awards Administrator, and any past Lifetime Achievement Award recipients who care to participate. The committee discusses the three-to-five candidates until they choose one by consensus. The winner receives a framed certificate (and anything else the then-current Corflu cares to bestow.)

In that spirit, the Corflu Glitter committee decided to award duplicate certificates to the two past Lifetime Achievement Awards winners.

### **Vegrants Bestow Two Honorary Memberships**

The Vegrants, the hosting club for Corflu Glitter, doesn't have "official business." Mostly because the informal, invitational Trufan fan club has no officers, no business meeting, no votes and no written rules.

The Vegrants decide things by consensus. By such a consensus, the Vegrants gave honorary memberships to Andy Hooper and Robert Lichtman. I (Arnie) presented Andy with a 5 x 7-in. framed membership card and announced that a similar memento will go the absent Lichtman.

The Vegrants honored Andy and Robert for their friendship and many contributions to the Vegrants. Both have stood the test of time as firm friends of the Little Fandom in the Desert.

Andy has given the Vegrants huge amounts of his talent and time. He

### **Corflu Auction Aids Fan Funds**

The generosity of fans and the skill of Chief Auctioneer Andy Hooper helped bring in more money than the con committee expected. Corflu Glitter realized \$774 from the sales, according to Aileen Forman, who kept the records.

The better-than-expected showing enabled Corflu Glitter to disburse quite a bit of money to various fannish charities,

The amounts were TAFF, \$196; League of Fan Funds, \$181; DUFF, \$48 and the Corflu Fifty, \$42,

The highlight of the auction was the sale of a framed Atom cartoon to Robert Lichtman for \$220. The painting, donated by Linda Bushyager, combined artistic excellence with genuine fanhistorical significance. It had hung on the door to the Fan Attic at 179 Upper Newtownards Rd., the home of Walt and Madeleine Willis, for 20 years.

### **Corflu Glitter Committee**

Joyce Katz  
Chairman

James Taylor  
Chief of Operations

Teresa Cochran  
Host of Sing-a-long

Andy Hooper  
2012 FA Awards Administrator

Claire Brialey  
UK Agent

Peter Sullivan  
UK Liaison

Tom Becker  
Webmaster

Don Miller  
King of Graphics

Ken Forman  
Chief Guide

Brenda Dupont  
Editor, Food & Sights Guide

Linda Bushyager  
Restaurant Maven

Ross Chamberlain  
Tee-Shirt

Lori Forbes  
Local Fandom Liaison

JoHn Hardin  
Vegas Fan Reunion Director

Jacq Monahan  
Vegas Fan Reunion Coordinator

Gary Mattingly  
Still Photography

Arnie Katz  
The Arnie

## Membership

Claire Brialey A  
Mark Plummer A  
Robert Lichtman A  
Milt Stevens A  
Sandra Bond A  
Bobbi Farey A  
Stacy Scott A  
Ted White A  
Rob Jackson A  
Dixie Tracy-Kinney A

Jay Kinney A  
Lenny Bailes A  
Art Widner A  
Mike Meara A  
Pat Meara A  
Mary Ellen Moore A  
Murray Moore A  
Pat Virzi A  
Geri Sullivan A  
James Taylor A

Teresa Cochran Taylor A  
Arnie Katz A  
Joyce Katz A  
Mike Dobson A  
Marty Cantor A  
June Moffatt A  
Earl Kemp A  
Jerry Kaufman A  
Suzanne Tompkins A  
Peter Sullivan A

Robert Webber A  
Frank Lunney A  
Aileen Forman A  
Ken Forman A  
Gary Mattingly A  
Patricia Peters A  
William Wright A  
Ross Chamberlain A  
Terry Kemp A  
Nic Farey A

Graham Charnock A  
Dian Crayne S  
Bruce Gillespie A  
Shelby Vick A  
Moshe Feder A  
Kim Huett S

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published *How Green Was My Vagrant*, a *Wild Heirs* anthology and has been a major participant at all four Las Vegas Corflu.

Ironically, this is the first Las Vegas Corflu (or Silvercon or Vegas-Con) that Robert Lichtman wasn't able to attend. Robert's steady presence at Glitter City cons mirrors his steady support and help to the Vegrants over the last 20 years.

## FWA Elected Earl Kemp

FWA (Fanzine Writers of America) held its annual election for Past President at the Corflu Glitter banquet. As Ted White, steward of this mythical organization explained, this honor is pure egoboo with no duties.

A voice vote produced a tie between nominees Ken and Aileen Forman and Earl Kemp. In an inspiring, gracious gesture so typical of Trufandom's favorite Arkies, Ken switched his own votes to Earl to break the tie.

And so Fandom now add another great name to the list of recipients of one of Trufandom's greatest honors. Fans will also remember Ken's noble act.

## Bond Crowned Trivia Champion!

Sandra Bond defeated John D. Berry in a head-to-head showdown with the World Fannish Trivia Championship on the line.

Outside Interference had clouded the result of the pair's previous meeting at E Corflu Vitus, so the Fannish Esoteric Trivia Association (FETA) put officiating in the rematch into the capable hands of Ken Forman. The Mainspring carried off his emcee duties with charming light-heartedness as he asked questions provided by a panel of expert fanhistorians.

The contest consisted of 12 pairs of questions of comparable difficulty, divided into two rounds. John and Sandra each got to answer the same number of questions, alternating as the first to answer a question within each pair. If a contestant missed a question, their opponent could earn the points by providing the correct response. Wrong answers carried no penalty.

Sandra and John D ended the first round in a virtual tie, but Sandra's finishing kick gave her a deceptively large margin of victory in what was a close and exciting contest most of the way.

## Hooper Distributes FAAn Awards Stats Fanzine

Andy Hooper again proved that he is the most active and effective FAAn Awards Administrator in a long time. Andy, who earlier created a memory-jogging fanzine database, compiled and published a printed complete rundown of the 2012 Fan Activity Achievement Awards and passed it out free to Corflu attendees at the banquet.

The 12-page online version of Andy's report will be distributed today (4/27/12) to the entire *Glitter* mailing list. A free download will also be available.

## 2012 FAAn Awards Brief Results



Andy Hooper's 2012 *Fan Activity Achievement Award Book of Stats* has complete results of this years poll, but I wanted to include some of the high points in *Glitter #61* as well.

Fifty fans voted in seven categories to honor a wide range of fans for their writing, drawing and publishing in 2011. As the leading point-getter across all categories, Mark Plummer received the accolade "Fan Face #.1"

Here are the top finishers in each category:

### **Best Genzine or Collaboration:**

Banana Wings – Brialey/Plummer: 110  
Trap Door – Robert Lichtman: 99  
Chunga – Byers/Hooper/Juarez: 92  
eI – Earl Kemp: 66  
Sense of Wonder Stores – Rich Coad: 53  
SF Commentary – Bruce Gillespie: 52

### **Best Perzine or Blog:**

A Meara for Observers – Mike Meara - 117  
e-Ditto Eric Mayer - 41  
No Sin But Ignorance Claire Brialey - 26  
The Fortnightly Fix – Steve Green - 14  
Pint Size Stories – Pat Virzi – 14

### **Best Single Issue or Anthology:**

Alternative Pants – Randy Byers: 86  
Travelin' Jiant – Art Widner/Kim Huett: 26  
The Fractured Circle – Arne Katz: 20  
SF Commentary #82 – Bruce Gillespie: 16  
eI #57 – Earl Kemp: 13  
Fantasy Commentator #59/60 A Langley

### **Best Fan Artist:**

Steve Stiles - 105  
Dan Steffan – 86  
Brad Foster – 68  
D. West – 30  
Taral Wayne – 22  
Bill Kunkel – 20

### **Best Fan Writer:**

Cheryl Goode A  
Laurie Kunkel A  
Kacey Gow A  
Laurraine Tutihasi S

Hope Leibowitz A  
Charles Levi A  
Jim Caughran A  
Linda Bushyager A  
Ron Bushyager A  
Steve Green A  
Spike A  
Tom Becker A  
Ron Salomon S  
Andy Hooper A

Carrie Root A  
Eve Harvey A  
John Harvey A  
James O'Meara A  
Jack Calvert A  
James Daugherty A  
Jim Mowatt S  
Pat Charnock S  
Greg Trend A  
Audrey Trend A

Nigel Rowe A  
Dwain Kaiser A  
Chris Marple A  
Bill Burns A  
Mary Burns A  
John Hertz S  
Woody Bernardi A  
Don Miller A  
Lynn Steffan S  
Dan Steffan A

Mia Monahan A  
Lori Forbes A  
Dan Rego A  
Tamara Gonzales A  
Victor Gonzales A

LOCALS for Local Party & Local program:  
April Reckling  
Lee Reckling  
Karla Hardin  
Lucas Hardin  
Greg Dees

A = Attending S = Supporting

## A Question of Trivia

A question submitted for the Corflu Fannish Trivia World Championship caused some controversy. Although the two points it represented did not affect the outcome of the contest, fans naturally wondered about it.

That's why we turned to someone who has extensive knowledge of the subject, Dian Crayne.

Here's what she wrote:

"Arson (Jack Harness), Rape (Ted Johnstone), and Bloody Murder (Bruce Pelz). It's from the revolutionary song, you know. "Arson, rape and bloody murder when the red revolution comes."

"The ARBM was already well established when I joined the LASFS in 1961. Some of Jack's Cultoon characters have their ARBM initials on the front of their robes and Jack was definitely one of the trio.

"I recall that someone one asked me, in the early Sixties, whose girl I was and I said that I was "sort of" the ARBM's girl

"Owen Hannifen did not come along until a couple of years later"

-- Dian Crayne

That solves the mystery and ends the confusion. We may be able to recycle this one in a few years, once frenetic fannish celebration has worked on all our memories.

Now, if we can find an informed, Unimpeachable source to unravel the enigma of "Who sawed Courtney's Boat?" we can consider ourselves well on the way to answering the Cosmic Questions and solving the Riddles of the Universe.



Mark Plummer – 92  
Claire Brialey – 63  
Roy Kettle - 40  
Randy Byers 40  
Andy Hooper - 39

### Best Fan Website:

eFanzines.com – Bill Burns: 179  
File 770.org – Mike Glyer: 48  
Ansible.co.uk – Dave Langford: 27  
Fanac.org – Joe Siclari/Jack Weaver: 23  
Fiawol.co.uk – Rob Hansen: 20  
Cartiledge world.com – Graham Charnock - 17

### Harry Warner Jr. Memorial Award:

Robert Lichtman- 72  
Lloyd Penny – 50  
Eric Mayer – 31  
Mark Plummer – 31  
Mike Meara – 24

### Fan Face Number One"

Mark Plummer 255  
Randy Byers 221  
Robert Lichtman 219  
Claire Brialey 210  
Bill Burns 179

### This Is the End

Yes, this is the last issue of *Glitter* after 61 weeks of compulsive weekly publication. The need for it has ended, so it's time to file away the archive.

Though this is the last of *Glitter*, it is unlikely to be the last of me. I've got plenty of ideas and a surprising amount of energy, so I don't expect to be one of those Corflu hosts who vanishes for a couple of months, or a couple of years.

I want to thank everyone who encouraged this fanzine and the Corflu with which it was associated.

It was a joy for me to bring this to you each week and, in truth, one of the things I enjoyed most about hosting Corflu in Las Vegas this time.

See you soon. Meanwhile — Keep Fanning! — Arnie