

PLANET ^{OF THE} APES



FAN CLUB

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NEWSLETTER

Summer Issue.

Dear Memeber, er sorry, Member,

Welcome to this months giant typing error. You may have noticed that the last newsletter was decidedly "grotty" as far as print quality was concerned, (let alone the content) and I am afraid that this issue's print will be about the same. This is due to a lack of carbon ribbons for my typewriter. The old type of fabric ribbon unfortunately produces type that is very hard to reproduce.

And so to business. That sneaky lot at the ICA did not let us know that they had a transmission date for "Beneath the Planet Of The Apes". I was lucky to see it at all, for I only returned from holiday on the Friday and was without TV times or newspapers all weekend. I just happened to switch on when Brent encountered Nova for the first time. It was a great film I thought. David Watson proved to be a very good substitute for Roddy McDowall, except his ape walk was too funny for words; just like a Max Sennett silent movie! It would seem - if my sources are correct - that ITV will be showing the other three ape films at approximately three month intervals. If that is true, then 'Escape' should be on our screens in October or maybe sooner.

Wlcome (or even welcome) to our new members. I hope you will enjoy what we have to offer. To those of you who have rejoined, many thanks.

This newsletter is a bit shorter than usual. I am in the process of gathering new material, and it all takes time.

Did you see Roddy McDowall in "Cleopatra" on BBC TV recently? Hmm, I think I like him blonde!! Hmm nice!! And now Betty, Hmm, lets have some more harassment as we launch into this issue, Hmm.....

IN THIS ISSUE.

Star Biographies of Hari Rhodes & Wm. Windom.

result of the drawing competition, (but we can't show you the pics)

Details of a great new cometition.

Behind The Scenes - Who Does What No. 3

The Worlds Worst Typist Competition, See over.

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100 back issues of the Planet of The Apes Fan Club Newsletter MAY/JUNE and MAR/APRIL
Usual reprinting price 20p each. THIS TIME ONLY 5p YES 5p each. Please enclose
an SAE when ordering.

FUN COMPETITION.... The worlds worst typist.. ME! Just for fun, I will send a badge (Galen, Urko, Zaius or Astro) to the first member who correctly tells me how many typing errors I have made in this and the last issue of the newsletter. Well? Go on frighten me!!

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John Oatham made tape recordings of "Beneath" and "Cleopatra" from the TV, (Naughty. I should point out that even if you record for your own use, you are in breach of the copyright laws.) However, John wants to swap for a set of film cards. I must make a correction, John taped "Planet" not "Cleopatra". His address is 83 Debenham Court, Pownall Road, Hackney, London E8.

 SWAP OF THE MONTH. Alec Clench, 12 rectory Close, Wendlebury, Nr Bicester, Oxon.
 Really this is a sale not a swap, but it is too good to miss. Alec's interest in the
 apes has sadly waned, and he is getting rid of all his ape stuff. Will you please write
 to him for more details, enclosing an SAE. (1) Movie projector and B&W silent of
 "Planet" and "Battle" (2) Marvel comics from No.51 to 113 and Nos. 7, 21, 23, 24, 25, american
 monthly mags. (3) Giant 2ft x 3ft Urko poster. (4) set of tv cards.

Eric Redford, 98 Blenheim Gardens, Reading, Berks., is after a set of 44 film cards, a "Planet of the Apes" book, and any cassette recordings of the TV episodes, and is willing to pay or will swap for his set of 22 unmounted slides from the film "Planet".

Gregory Dunne, 7 Glengiven Ave, Limavady, Co. Derry, Northern Ireland. will swap an action doll of Crnelius, almost new, for any two U.S. ape comics.

Patrick Woodrow, 22 Edward Fitzgerald Court, Woodbridge, Suffolk, will swap a set of TV cards or pay £2.16 for a set of FILM cards..

A.G.Dockert, 19 Granville Road, St.Albans, Herts.will buy anything except books and Marvel back issues, dealing with Planet of the Apes. Yes, ANYTHING. drop him a line now.

IF YOU REPLY to any of these members, please send an SAE with your offer. Thank you.

COMPETITION RESULTS :- "Rescue Galen."

The response to this was so good that we still have not been able to read through all the entries. The result will therefore have to wait until the next newsletter - Sorry.

"Drawing Competition" :- The two winners are, Gregory Dunne for his portrait of Urko, and John Sellars for his mammoth ~~1ft~~ x 2½ft montage of ape subjects. Once again the standard was so high that the task of finding just two winners was nearly impossible. Most of you used pen and ink as suggested, but I regret that time and space prevent us from showing you the winning drawings. A Special Mention to Nigel Lancashire for his drawing of Galen, which had him depicted holding up a piece of tatty paper and saying, "Alan, Pete, have you ever heard of a Planet Of The Apes Fan Club Newsletter?" Nice one Nigel.

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THIS MONTHS COMPETITION. "The Missing Link" - A Years free membership to be won. Send in your ideas, write them clearly and concisely with your name and address, Why? We feel that it is about time that 20th Century Fox thought about making the ultimate ape film, The sixth and final film that will let the world know exactly what happened to the Human/Simian society that was getting on so well at the end of "Battle." So Many of you have put forward your ideas that we have decided to do something about it. Every entry received by August 31st will be sent direct to Arthur P. Jacobs in Hollywood, with an explanatory letter from us. The entry that we like best will be typed out and set up as a film synopsis and a copy will be sent to Pierre Boule at his home. Also the winner will get the free membership of course. OK? Then get cracking.

It is with regret that no other information is available about Mari Rhodes.

In 1950, he landed the first of what proved to be 18 Broadway shows in the next eleven years.

Windom then went to Hollywood and appeared in the "Farmers Daughter" for 101 episodes as Congressman Morley. In the '60s he appeared in many series including, "Twilight Zone" "Surfside 6" "Run For Your Life" and "The Fugitive". His other films have included "The Mephisto Waltz" "The Americanization of Emily" "One Mans Way" "The Detective" and "To Kill A Mockingbird." He won an Emmy Award in 1970 for his starring role in the award winning television series, "My World and Welcome To It".

Sound.....Dean Vernon.
Theodore Soderberg.
Special Effects...Howard Anderson Co.
Art Directors.....Jack Martin Smith .
William Creber.
Set Decorators.....Walter M Scott.
Stuart A Reiss.
Make up Supervision....Dan Striepeke.
Make up Artist.....Jack Barron.
Hair Stylist.....Mary Babcock.
Orchestration.....Arthur Morton.
Unit Publicist.....Jack Hirshberg.
Animals furnished by.....Roy Kabat

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I have asked "Big Mike" in Leeds, to send me his report on the Apes' live show at Plymouth recently. I hope to include that in the next issue. Keep your eyes on your local press for details of Ape appearances. They have a very busy schedule but I do not have precise information for you until the next issue, sorry.

SHOW REPORT - LIPHOOK, HAMPSHIRE, 7th June 1977.

Boy O Boy, you should have been at this show. Maybe you were. I have never in my life seen a show like it. Well I did not actually see it....I was in it!!! I had to stand in for one of the Astronauts.

The day started off nice enough but as the crowds gathered around the arena, the sky darkened. As the soundtrack began so did the first spots of rain. As the apes entered the arena on horseback, the storm began with vengeance. It was all very well for those hairy great Gorillas, all clad in their leather tunics etc, but poor old astrobs, we only had thin Jump suits on. As soon as we stepped into the downpour, we were soaked to the skin. Two gorillas chased after us with a net and came closer to catching us than ever before as we slipped and slid in the worsening mud. Urko of course got in the way and was caught in the net himself allowing us time to escape.

For a great deal of the 30 minute show, we were tied to the cage in the centre of the arena, and believe me, just standing there getting very very cold and wet is no joke; especially with some hulking great gorilla guard slugging us in the stomache with his rifle butt all the time!

Good old Galen came to our rescue as our time ran out. He blew the firing ~~squad~~ sky high with a dynamite charge. (In fact over $\frac{1}{2}$ lb of high explosive). Poor simian soul. he looked like a drowned rat or perhaps the "before" picture in a greasy hair commercial.

It must have been the coldest, wettest, and most uncomfortable show ever...And the most FUN!

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MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS.

Please check the renewals box on the front page. If it has a tick or cross in it, then your membership is due for renewal by the end of August. Renewals now cost only 80p plus six stamped addressed envelope. Please send in envelopes NO SMALLER than the one in which you receive this newsletter. Thanks.

STARTER KITS - SOUVENIRS - N'STUFF. - Your questions answered.

- 1) There is no 1977 poster diary.
- 2) There are no more - T-Shirts, B&W Posters, Pens, or annuals - available through the club at present. This is because manufacturers have stopped production, on some of these.
- 3) There is no "Mastermind" competition planned at the moment.
- 4) Repeats of the tv series are at the discretion of the programme planners of each Independent tv company. Why not contact your station.
- 5) There is no repeat no new ape series, nor any plans to complete the filming of the first.
- 6) Ape stationary, envelopes, writing pads etc, will hopefully be produced by us by the end of the year. However it may be quite expensive.
- 7) Yes, the penfriends scheme will have another run soon. Details next month.

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PENFRIENDS.

Those members who took penfriend during the last scheme, would you please write to me in confidence, telling me how you got/get on with your correspondant. This is very important, if the next scheme is to be successfull. Please tell me if you have had any problems, or where you think the scheme could be improved.

NEW PENFRIENDS. If you want an ape fan pen friend, please DO NOT send me your name until the next issue of the newsletter has reached you, with details of the procedure. At the moment, we are considering whether to operate the scheme in the same manner as before, or not. Thank you.

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OK, so that's it for this issue. Next time we will have a star bio. of the late Sal Mineo. plus- Who Does What - No.4, Plus- Rescue Galen competition result. and lots more.

I am going to have my lunch now. I am starving hungry. I think a nice mixed gorilla will do me nicely, or fish and chimps. Bye for now, and don't forget.....

Keep On Ape-ing.

