MANORCON XXVIII

Stamford Hall, University of Leicester. 2pm Friday 16th July – 2pm Monday 19th July 2010

If you've never been to ManorCon before, you might want to start by reading the back of the flyer first. If you're a regular attendee, then keep reading.

Following on from last year's successful convention, ManorCon will once again be held at Stamford Hall, University of Leicester, in 2010. Things will be very similar to last year. We have the same hall, the same rooms in Stamford House, and the same accommodation. We even have the same people on the committee!

As ever, single accommodation is available at the convention. For those people who want twin accommodation, we recommend The Regency Hotel, which is just under a mile from the convention. The contact details are The Regency Hotel, 360 London Road, Stonygate, LE2 2PL. Telephone 0116 270 9634. It offers double rooms for £62 per night. If you want to take this option, we recommend booking early, as it filled up last year.

Apart from that, ManorCon will be pretty much the same as the successful formula we had in 2009. Running from Friday lunchtime to Monday lunchtime, it will have all the regular tournaments, plus one or two possible new ones – depending on the success (or otherwise) of the latest new game releases. It will once again feature the Second Hand Game Sale on Friday and Saturday, the Pop Quiz on Saturday evening, and the Treasure Hunt on Sunday afternoon (which will hopefully be shorter than the 2008 and 2009 editions!), as well as more games than you can shake a stick at.

Also this year, ManorCon will once again be hosting the Spielchamps on Saturday. Teams of four players take part in four games each, with the winners earning the right to represent the UK at the World Championships in Germany. The competition has been a mixed success in the last couple of years, but with a big promotional push, and the games selected to make sure everybody knows them, it's going to be a much bigger event this year. If you are interested in taking part, then either form a team, or let the organisers know you're looking for a team, and then turn up immediately after breakfast on Saturday for the start of the tournament.

ManorCon works because of the number of people who volunteer to help. One such way that you can help is by spending an hour on the registration desk. If you could spare an hour of your time, it would be appreciated. Please tick the appropriate box on the booking form. **P.T.O.**

To book, please complete BOTH SIDES OF the form and return <u>by 12th June</u> to: Neil Duncan, MANORCON, 25 Sarum Hill, Basingstoke, Hants, RG21 8SS, UK. Please make cheques payable to: ManorCon.

This form should be returned to Neil <u>before 12th June 2010</u>. PRE-BOOKINGS CANNOT BE ACCEPTED AFTER THIS DATE. However, there will **probably** be some rooms available if you arrive and pay on the door (we wouldn't like to guarantee which type of room will still be available at this stage). Please note that room prices will be higher if not booked in advance.

PLEASE DO NOT USE RECORDED DELIVERY. Bookings sent by recorded delivery may be significantly delayed until Neil can get to the sorting office to collect them. If you send your booking by recorded delivery, and this causes your booking to not be received until after the deadline, then your booking will not be accepted.

The prices are subject to variation in the event of VAT changes. Cancellations may be made up to June 12th 2010 for a full refund. It is the responsibility of delegates to look after their valuables. ManorCon cannot accept responsibility for loss or damage to items.

Data Protection Act : Details of your booking are stored on computers. We do not sell our mailing lists to any other individuals or organisations, but we may share them with other games conventions.

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If you've never been to ManorCon before and are wondering what it's all about, ManorCon is the largest board games convention in the UK. It's held annually in July, in one of the halls of residence of Leicester University. Approximately 200 gamers come along for a weekend of intensive board gaming, some entering tournaments, others simply playing socially. It's great fun, and makes a change from your humdrum everyday life. If you've never been before, why not try it? Further details of the tournaments and other events can be found below.

With so many people at the Convention, you should be able to find plenty of other people who want to play the same sort of games as you. Either look around for someone setting up a game and ask if you can join in, or look for a group already playing a game, and ask if they know where you can get into a game. If you see a game that looks interesting, then ask about it. Most people are happy to teach a new player. Alternatively, try asking one of the Tournament Directors to help get you into a game, or if you don't know how to find him, one of the ManorCon Committee will be "on duty" to answer queries, solve problems, etc., throughout the weekend – we can help to point you in the right direction.

The aim of ManorCon is to play games and have fun, and our aim is to help you to succeed in doing both!

Tournaments will include: Diplomacy, 18XX, Dominion, Puerto Rico, St Petersburg, Acquire, Race for the Galaxy, Midnight Party and Croquet. There will also be plenty of non-tournament games on offer – far too numerous to mention! There will also be a games stall, a second hand games sale, a pop quiz and a treasure hunt.

For further details please contact:

Steve Jones, 59 Sudeley Walk, Putnoe, Bedford, MK41 8JH, UK Tel. +44 (0)1234 405878 email us at info@manorcon.org.uk or check out our website at http://www.manorcon.org.uk

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NB. Please complete a SEPARATE form for EACH person booking

Alternatively, you can book online via the ManorCon Website, http://www.manorcon.org.uk.

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