



Programme (or what's on at Con 80?)

If you are unfamiliar with the traditional, old school convention scene, you maybe wondering what *Con 80* has in store for you. We'll be offering four streams of unique and varied entertainment where each day is unique and nothing is repeated. Below is a brief summary of what to expect...

Panels, presentations and discussions (a sample)

- *Discussing the death and rebirth of Star Trek, especially as The Next Generation turns 30 this year*
- *Reviewing the golden age of video games*
- *No cinemas please we're straight to video: covering off the video revolution and the movies who were successful because of it*
- *Poster Art: Discussing the great Sci-Fi movie posters of the 80s*
- *Family Feud: yes it's our 80s Sci-Fi version of the classic game show where 100 non-existent people were surveyed for their responses*
- *SF-UK: From Dr Who to Hitchhikers to Red Dwarf, we cover it all*
- *A retrospective look at Sci-Fi conventions and fan clubs from the 80s*
- *A debate on who was the biggest baddie of the 80s: Predator, Terminator or the Alien Queen! Which nastie-pastie will come out on top!*

To see the full programme, just visit the *Con 80* website.

Video strand

Next to our panel programme are our TWO video streams.

One stream focuses on Sci-Fi TV shows of the 80s which haven't seen the light of day in decades, while our film programme will focus on non-mainstream Sci-Fi movies of the 80s from all over the world, including New Zealand, France and Japan.

On Sunday both video programmes will run until 10pm.

Special VHS video and Murder Mystery night

Another special event will be our very own *Con 80* VHS video presentation which will occur on the Sunday night starting at 8pm. Yep, we plan to watch a surprise classic 80s Sci-Fi movie straight from good ol' VHS video tape in all its full 4:3 frame, analogue glory including the ubiquitous "upcoming features" from the video store at the start!

In the room next door will be our special 1980s Murder Mystery Movie night where you can try and guess 'whodunit'. Even the film's Wikipedia entry doesn't tell you who the killer/s are!

To provide sustenance during these two great events, we'll be offering our famous food and drink "Con-bos" featuring a specially labelled collectable water bottle, and some favourite 80s munchies. So remember as the saying goes "get yourself a Con-bo!"

Auction

One of the special segments of *Con 80* will be our Auction which will be held on the Sunday of the convention starting at 1pm. Whether you're a buyer or a seller the below info will be of use to you.

- Information for buyers

Our Auction will trade in cash sales only, but don't panic as there is an ATM in the hotel foyer so you can prepare accordingly. For purchases over \$500 we'll be looking at setting up an online payment system, though keep in mind credit card transactions will incur an additional fee.

- Information for sellers

Being a 1980s themed convention we will only feature items which are either:

1. **Any item physically manufactured in the 1980s for a Sci-Fi movie/TV show released in the 1980s**
2. **Any item physically manufactured after 1989 for a Sci-Fi movie/TV show released in the 1980s**

Refer to the Auction page on the *Con 80* website for further clarification.

The great thing about submitting items to the Auction is you get to keep the money you make, with *Con 80* accepting a 10% portion of the sale price for each item.

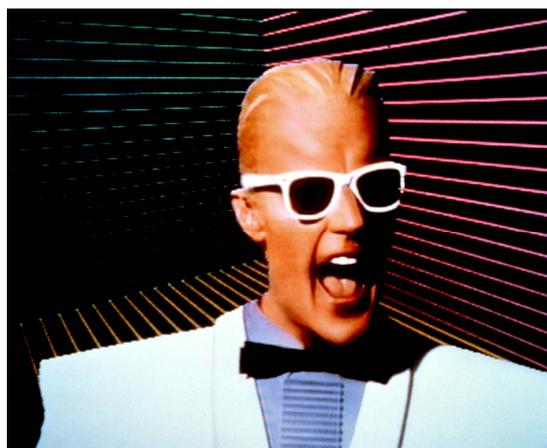
- How to submit an item/s into the Auction

If you have any relevant items you wish to include in the Auction just compile a list, we've even added a template on the Auction page of the website to help you. Just send your list to con80convention@gmail.com.

Be sure to include the **name, description, condition** and **reserve price** of the item/s. Including a picture would be handy as the list is on the website, in fact some items are already there so check it out!

Once we have received your list we'll advise you as to what to do when you bring your items to the convention itself.

Note there is a limit of 15 x items per person.



Two VERY Important notes:

1. **You MUST have your list sent to us by March 1st 2017. Any Auction items brought to the convention adhoc without a list being sent prior may be rejected.**
2. **You must either be a Full OR Day member of *Con 80* to submit items into the Auction**

Displays

Con 80 – The Ultimate 1980s Sci-Fi Experience is not only about having a great time but also creating a great atmosphere. For this reason our aim is to setup some unique displays to take people back to the days of 1980s science fiction.

So if you happen to have any 80s Sci-Fi items you think would look great on display at our convention, then please let us know as we'd love to include them – and don't worry you can be assured we will treat these items as if they were our own as we have a number of glass cabinets available.

Battle Quiz '80

No doubt this will be the highlight of our convention, the world's only 1980s Sci-Fi themed trivia night to be held on Saturday night!

So get a group together and grab a table (max 8 people) and get ready to tough it out with some hard hitting 1980s inspired trivia questions where some great prizes will be on offer.

Pre booking your ticket for this event isn't necessary as you can just join on the night, plus you do not need to be a member of *Con 80* to attend, but with limited seats we recommend you do pre book to ensure you don't miss out.

This event will run from 8pm-11pm

Battle Quiz '80 will cost \$15 to attend.

CON 80
THE ULTIMATE 1980s SCI-FI EXPERIENCE
MARCH 11-13, 2017

Presents

BATTLE QUIZ '80

The Ultimate 1980s Sci-Fi TRIVIA EVENT!

8pm - 11pm
Saturday March 11th, 2017

Amora Hotel Riverwalk, 649 Bridge Road, Richmond

Here's your chance to put your skills to the test in our brain busting, mind numbing trivia challenge.

Book a table with your friends (max 8 people) and get ready to discover who really knows their 80s Sci-Fi history!
So, are you GAME?!

MULTIPLE CATEGORIES

FANTASTIC PRIZES

ONLY \$15 TO ENTER!

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Promotions and Publicity

All successful events need to sell themselves to the world and at *Con 80* we're doing what we can to spread the word of our existence, but alas we can't reach everybody so we're keen to enlist your help.

If you are a keen supporter of our convention, then please tell your friends or family about us either by word of mouth or by linking our Website/Facebook site to your own website or Facebook page. We know there are plenty of fans out there of 1980s Sci-Fi movies and TV shows so all we have to do is reach them.

Friday night registration

If you want to beat the rush of people registering for *Con 80* on Saturday morning, our registration table will be open on Friday night March 10th after 8pm for about an hour.

If by this point you're not a *Con 80* member but want to become one, you will also be able to sign up on Friday night though payment must be cash only. How easy is that!

The Final Word

We hope this Progress Report has given you an insight into the plans of *Con 80 - The Ultimate 1980s Sci-Fi Experience*. As this will be our final convention, we're really looking forward to making it truly special and something that, just like the 1980s, will live on forever.

Remember the *Con 80* motto, "if it's not retro, it's no go!"

See you in two months from today,

The *Con 80* Team

Important Links

con80convention@gmail.com – our main email address

<http://www.con80.com> - our Website

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/Con80> - our Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/events/508224966013594> - our Facebook Event page in case you need a reminder when the convention is coming up

<http://www.melbourne.amorahotels.com> – our Hotel venue

