

# THE **GENESIS** **MATRIX**

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AND YOU'LL BE  
IN A WORLD  
OF PURE...



## EXTERMINATION

26th August, 2018

*"Insert Funny Quote Here" - Lazy Editor*

Hi Everybody!! It's time for another exciting episode of the Genesis Monthly Meeting!! Last month was an exciting collection of new shows courtesy of Paul. I especially liked *Wellington Paranormal*--perhaps I should be embarrassed by that.

This month is being planned by Tony, and I'm sure it will be wonderful as always, although there will be some bl--dy cartoons; fair warning, Paul!

I have to add my usual plea that if anyone has any ideas about activities for the club don't keep it to yourself!

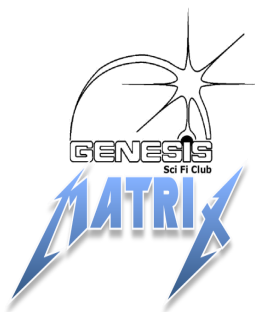
Also, we are running short of raffle prizes--if you find a bargain or something cool in the back of the closet, think of Genesis!

Your chair,  
René

I want to point out that the next meeting is being moved a week later, from the 23rd September to the 30th September. This is because the Red Lion is having a special event that ends at 3pm on that day, and we had the choice of either starting a bit later, or of shifting that meeting to a different week and getting the next two meetings for 33% off each. We chose the cheaper option, of course.

Starting with this issue, I will be including the future meeting dates, along with who is scheduled to run the programmes on those dates. That way, people can be presented with that 'Oh, sh\*t!' moment when they realise they're on the hook really soon and can make a desperate attempt to get someone else to cover for them. Others can volunteer for future, unclaimed dates.

Your faithless minion,  
Craig



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# Club Events For Your Diary

## Book Club

**Southam Library** on the 15th September, 2018, 10:00 to 12:00.  
Discuss what books and graphic novels are new and what's worth reading.

Address: Paddock Rd, Basingstoke RG22 6QB

Phone: 0300 555 1387

Web: <https://www.hants.gov.uk/librariesandarchives/library/libraryfinder/southam>

## Club Meeting

**The Red Lion Hotel** on the 23rd September, 2018, 15:00 to 21:30.  
RG21 7LX, 01256 328525 <http://redlionhotelbasingstoke.com/>



*I agree with her. –Ed.*

## Aragorn's Pants

I heard it said that, “In the entire Lord of the Rings trilogy, Aragorn's lower body wear is never described. Therefore, he never wore pants and you can't prove otherwise.”

Whoever first said this was presumably American, and understood the word to have a different meaning. Nonetheless, my response...

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Aragorn sighed as he collapsed on the bench. “Finally,” he said. “I've been on my feet all day.”

“Such is to be expected of a coronation, particularly one of this scale,” said Arwen, approaching.

Aragorn smiled. “It was a good coronation, though, wasn't it?”

“The best I've yet seen,” Arwen reassured him. “Folk will no doubt sing tales of the glory of the Reunited King for many a year to come. And if they do not,” she added, as she sat beside him, “then I shall. Until they are bored of hearing them.”

He clasped her hand in comfort. The subject of her immortality was one they had discussed before.

“That being said, my love, there is one aspect of your attire that seemed to cause consternation among the crowd.”

Aragorn sat up, a frown on his brow. “They dislike my crowns? This is the traditional crown of Gondor.” He lifted the heavy silver crown from his head. “And this the crown of Arnor. It's true that they sit awkwardly on the same brow, but I'm sure something can be done to join them before our heir takes the throne.”

“First, no it is not. Thrice or more has the crown of Gondor been lost or broken in my own memory, and each time replaced with one at least as well forged. But no, the crowns are not the issue.”

“It's the cloak, isn't it? I know the combination of doublet and wool cloak is unconventional, and perhaps not as regal as some might have liked to see, but I felt it important to represent all the people, not just the elite.”

“And you were right to do so, my love, for it sets the right tone for your reign. No, the problem lies... beneath.”

Aragorn lifted one leg. “My shoes? I'll admit, these pretty little silk things feel strange, and certainly wouldn't survive long on a march across country.”

“My cousin did offer you elven shoes that are both attractive and durable, but you were right to turn them down. We need add no more fuel to the fire burning within those fools who contrive to see an elven prince on the throne. No, my love, the problem is with... your pants.”

“My pants? What pants?”

“That is indeed the issue. Many feel that it would have been more fitting were you to have worn some during the ceremony.”



“Ye cannae tak’ a highlander out o’ his kilt!”

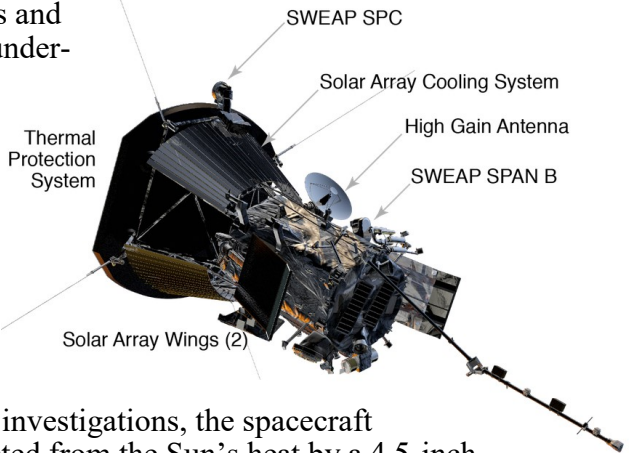
Marcus Downing

## The Parker Solar Probe

On 12th August, 2018, NASA's Parker Solar Probe was (finally) launched. The historic mission will revolutionize our understanding of the Sun, where changing conditions can propagate out into the solar system, affecting Earth and other worlds. Parker Solar Probe will travel through the Sun's atmosphere, closer to the surface than any spacecraft before it, facing brutal heat and radiation conditions — and ultimately providing humanity with the closest-ever observations of a star.

In order to unlock the mysteries of the Sun's atmosphere, Parker Solar Probe will use Venus' gravity during seven flybys over nearly seven years to gradually bring its orbit closer to the Sun. The spacecraft will fly through the Sun's atmosphere as close as 3.8 million miles to our star's surface, well within the orbit of Mercury and more than seven times closer than any spacecraft has come before. (Earth's average distance to the Sun is 93 million miles.)

Flying into the outermost part of the Sun's atmosphere, known as the corona, for the first time, Parker Solar Probe will employ a combination of in situ measurements and imaging to revolutionize our understanding of the corona and expand our knowledge of the origin and evolution of the solar wind. It will also make critical contributions to our ability to forecast changes in Earth's space environment that affect life and technology on Earth.



To perform its unprecedented investigations, the spacecraft and instruments will be protected from the Sun's heat by a 4.5-inch-thick (11.43 cm) carbon-composite shield, which will need to withstand temperatures outside the spacecraft that reach nearly 2,500 F (1,377 C).

The probe's first pass around Venus will be on 3rd October, 2018, and it will circle the Sun in progressively closer orbits until its closest perihelion of 6.16 million kilometres above the surface on 12th December, 2025.

Here's wishing the probe good luck and safe voyage!



# Genesis Programme Calendar

When and Who

Date	Host
<b>26-Aug-2018</b>	Antony Walls
<b>30-Sep-2018*</b>	Jacob Arnush
<b>21-Oct-2018</b>	Jeremy Ogden
<b>18-Nov-2018</b>	Louise Ogden
<b>16-Dec-2018</b>	Genesis Committee
<b>13-Jan-2019</b>	<i>TBD</i>
<b>10-Feb-2019</b>	<i>TBD</i>
<b>10-Mar-2019</b>	<i>TBD</i>
<b>7-Apr-2019</b>	<i>TBD</i>
<b>5-May-2019</b>	<i>TBD</i>
<b>2-Jun-2019</b>	<i>TBD</i>
<b>30-Jun-2019</b>	Arnush BBQ
<b>28-Jul-2019</b>	<i>TBD</i>

Behold the programme calendar for the next year. If you are interested or willing (or can be forced into) providing a programme for one of the months in 2019, please let me know so that I can sign you up. Note that 20th October, 2019 has already been reserved.

You can see an up-to-date version of the programme calendar on the Genesis web site.

\*Note that the date for September 2018 has been moved to one week later.