



# TravCon10

UK



## Introduction

**TravCon10 is a Traveller roleplaying convention** near Sawtry (between Peterborough and Huntingdon just off the A1M), on the weekend of **26-28 March 2010**.

TravCon is a small, **friendly event** and all gamers are welcome, whether newcomers to Traveller or experienced players. We have space for about 30 attendees, so make sure you book early for a **fantastic weekend of Traveller!**

This is our third year of running TravCon – check out the pictures from previous conventions at:

<http://www.bitsuk.net/Travelling/Travelling.html>

We look forward to meeting you at TravCon10 .

Andy (BITS UK Limited) [TravCon@bits.org.uk](mailto:TravCon@bits.org.uk)

## The Venue

TravCon10 is held at Redwings Lodge, a small hotel about 12 miles south of Peterborough and 6 miles north of Huntingdon in Cambridgeshire, on the Old Great North road (B1043), which runs parallel to the A1(M).

## Accommodation

The hotel has en-suite facilities in all rooms. There are ground floor rooms for a limited number of attendees (disabled attendees will get priority on these – please ensure you indicate any such requirement when you book).

## Food

A small bar/eating area provides “continental” breakfast facilities; **the bar is open 24 hours** with two on-tap beers and a good range of bottled drinks (soft and alcoholic). The coffee machine is on continuously throughout the day and just like last year there will be **free snacks from BITS** to keep you going throughout each day!



*The 24 hour bar...*

Right next to the hotel, “Spice Land” offers an “eat as much as you like” Indian buffet (you can bring your own drinks over from the hotel). There is also a service station which stocks snacks, microwave food, etc.

A few minutes drive away is Sawtry, with take-aways (Fish & Chips; Chinese), pubs and a Co-op store, as well as a chemist, Post Office and Nationwide building society.

## Games and Events

TravCon uses a simple “slot” system for games, where each slot lasts about 4 hours. We can run up to 5 games (of 6 or so players) depending upon availability of referees.



### Friday

**8pm – 11pm:** A short ‘opening’ slot for those who are desperate to start playing as soon as they turn up. Latecomers are welcome to join in as they arrive!

### Saturday

**9.30am – 1pm:** The morning slot (if you’re a late riser, you can pretty much just walk out of your room, down the stairs and into the gaming area!)

**1pm – 2pm:** *Lunch!*

**2pm – 6pm:** The afternoon slot.

**6pm – 7pm:** *Dinner!*

**7pm – 11pm:** The evening slot.

### Sunday

**9.30am – 1pm:** Late starts are for losers, so don’t over-indulge on Saturday night!

**1pm-2pm:** *Lunch!*

**2pm+:** Last slot; something short to let people head off early if they need to do so.

**5pm:** The closing ceremony.

Some games may bridge two slots; games will not be allowed to over-run as this disrupts subsequent games.

## Games

Games will be listed on the BITS website in the lead-up to the con. In addition to our experienced ref’s we are looking for attendees to volunteer to run games too!

## Awards

Attendees vote to decide who gets the PFI (“Ping! F\*\*\* It!”) award for the most dramatic mess-up, and the Purple Heart award for the most heroic character action during the con. Last year, the PFI award went to a medic in one team who was the first one shot in the battle (leaving the others without medical support). Barely alive, he was then taken by his colleagues to a ‘safe’ place... which subsequently turned out to be ground zero for an incoming missile...



## Traders

**BITS** – We'll have all our usual BITS products and second-hand Traveller stock, with special discounts.

**Marquee Models** – A variety of other roleplaying material, usually at discounted prices.

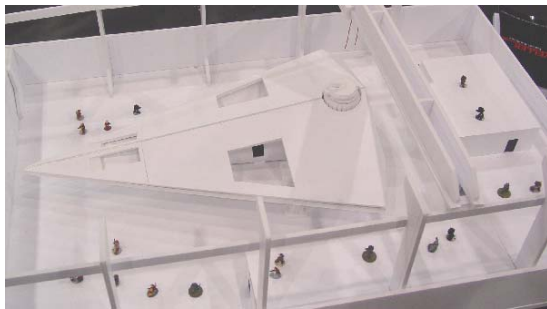
**Bring and Buy** – The ideal opportunity for you to bring along stuff from your roleplaying collection that you think other attendees might fancy buying. (There is a small fee for each item you sell, which is donated to charity.)

## How Can You Help?

**WE NEED YOU...** not just to attend, but also to run games! If you would like to run a Traveller game, please contact us at [TravCon@bits.org.uk](mailto:TravCon@bits.org.uk) and tell us:

- The adventure name and Traveller system\*;
- Maximum number of players;
- Your preferred slot day/time;
- The game length (maximum of two slots);
- A description of the game (a few sentences is fine) so prospective players can decide if they want to play it.

*\*Mongoose Traveller rules are preferred but you may run another canon rule system if you wish.*



*Miniatures skirmish around a berthed Scout ship*

## Registration

To get your TravCon10 tickets, please:

1. Fill in the Booking Request Form (below) and e-mail\* it to us at [TravCon@bits.org.uk](mailto:TravCon@bits.org.uk).
2. When we receive your Form we will check we have a suitable room for you. We will then contact you back by e-mail\* to either (a) ask you for payment, (b) clarify your details or (c) regretfully tell you we can't accept your booking (if we are already booked out).
3. Assuming (a) above, we will e-mail\* you details of how to pay – preferably by cheque (archaic, but it saves us Paypal fees), otherwise by Paypal (if you have a Paypal account, or want to use a credit card). You must pay by the date requested by us, otherwise we will regard your booking as having been rescinded.
4. Only once your payment has been cleared, will we confirm your booking (by e-mail\*).

*\*If you don't have e-mail, post your Booking Request Form to "BITS TravCon10, PO Box 4222, Sawbridgeworth, Hertfordshire, CM21 0DP". Do not send payment with your booking form unless we have asked you to do so.*

## Attendee Prices

We're very glad to say that we've been able to keep the prices the same for the third year running!

- **"Lead Character"** £99\*  
(Friday night to Sunday afternoon, en-suite room, B&B, with entry to all games).
- **"Secondary Character"** £25\*  
(as "Lead Character", but sharing a room with a "Lead Character").
- **"Non-Player Character"** Free  
(non-gamer, sharing room with a "Lead Character").
- **"Saturday Stand-In"** £15  
(gamer, day ticket, for Saturday only<sup>#</sup>).
- **"Sunday Stand-In"** £10  
(gamer, day ticket, for Sunday only<sup>#</sup>).

\*Please note these prices are only for payments received by Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2009; after that date, prices increase as follows: Lead Character £109; Secondary Character £35.

*<sup>#</sup>Please note: limits on space and referees means we can only support a certain number of attendees. We will give priority to Lead and then Secondary Characters; Stand-In tickets will only be issued if there are spaces left after all Lead and Secondary attendees have been confirmed.*

You must book in advance through BITS UK Limited. We cannot guarantee availability of spaces on the day. Please do NOT turn up without booking as we would hate to have to turn you away on the day. Please note that the hotel can NOT accept booking directly for this event.

All prices include VAT.

## Travel

Redwings is on Old Great North Road which runs parallel to the A1M between Peterborough and Huntingdon.

It is best reached by car: exit the A1(M) at junction 15; follow signs for "Monks Wood" and "Alconbury". The hotel is on the B1043 behind the Q8 petrol station.

There is parking in front and beside the hotel, including disabled parking spaces directly outside.

**Redwings Lodge**

**Old Great North Road**

**Sawtry**

**Cambridgeshire PE28 5XP**

Tel: 01487 830100

Web: [www.redwingslodge.co.uk](http://www.redwingslodge.co.uk)

