



# Circular Head Council

## 2002 election report

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## Local Government Elections in Tasmania

Every second (even) year elections are held in all 29 councils for the positions of mayor and deputy mayor and half the councillor positions. Where required, by-elections are held concurrently for vacancies that have occurred since the last elections.

The Tasmanian Electoral Office (TEO) supervises the conduct of elections in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993*. Elections by postal ballot have been held in 1994, 1996, 1999 (deferred from 1998), 2000 and 2002, with the next elections due in October 2004.

Since 2000 mayors and deputy mayors are elected directly by the electors in each municipal area.

Candidate information booklets and complete election results for the state are available from the TEO and are posted on the TEO website [www.electoral.tas.gov.au](http://www.electoral.tas.gov.au).

### 2002 Election timetable

Notice of election published	Saturday 14 September
Electoral rolls closed	6 pm Thursday 19 September
Nomination period	23 September— 12 noon on 2 October
Nominations closed	12 noon Wednesday 2 October
Nominations announced & draw for ballot paper positions	12 noon Thursday 3 October
Ballot material delivered to electors	15–18 October
Polling period	15–29 October
Close of poll	10 am Tuesday 29 October

### Casual vacancies

Casual vacancies are filled by recount where possible, unless the vacancy occurs within 6 months of a forthcoming election. Only unelected candidates from the relevant election may contest a recount. A candidate elected at a recount serves until the next council election. If a recount is not possible, a by-election is held—with the candidate elected to serve for the remainder of the term of office of the original councillor.

### Elector polls

A council may hold an elector poll on any issue it determines. It may also be required to hold an elector poll following petitions from electors in accordance with Part 6 of the Act. A council is not bound by the result of an elector poll.

### Electoral system

Voting in Tasmanian local government elections is not compulsory.

Elections for councillor positions are conducted using a system modelled on the Hare-Clark method of proportional representation used in Tasmanian House of Assembly elections.

Mayoral and deputy mayoral elections use a preferential system similar to that used for Tasmanian Legislative Council and Federal House of Representatives elections.

## Report on the 2002 Circular Head Council Election

Elections were held for the positions of Mayor and Deputy Mayor for 2 year terms, and 5 Councillors for 4 year terms.

5 614 Circular Head electors were enrolled for the 2002 elections, comprising 5 436 (96.83%) from the State House of Assembly roll and 178 (3.17%) from the General Manager's roll.

63.88% of Circular Head electors returned their ballot papers in comparison with 57.48% statewide.

### Candidates at the 2002 elections

<b>Mayor</b>		<b>Councillors</b>	
★ HINE, Ross*	Marrawah	★ FLOWERS, Rodney	Mengha
		★ HINE, Ross*	Marrawah
		★ OLDAKER, John*	Togari
		★ SMITH, James*	Stanley
		WELDON, Michael*	Nabageena
		★ WILSON, Darren F	Irishtown
<b>Deputy Mayor</b>			
OLDAKER, John	Togari		
★ QUILLIAM, Daryl H*	Smithton		

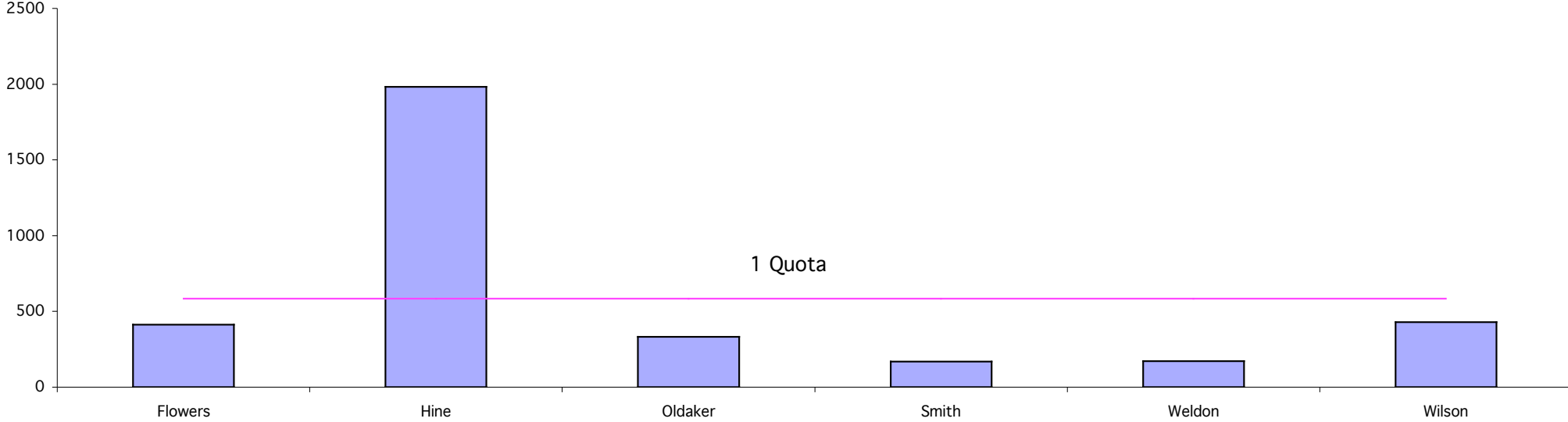
★ denotes elected candidate

\* denotes seeking re-election

### Circular Head Councillors following the 2002 elections

<b>Mayor</b>	<b>9 Councillors</b>	
<i>term ends 2004</i>	<i>term ends 2006</i>	<i>term ends 2004</i>
HINE Ross	HINE Ross	BUCKBY Michael
	WILSON Darren F	WELLS Graham
<b>Deputy Mayor</b>	OLDAKER John	QUILLIAM Daryl
<i>term ends 2004</i>	FLOWERS Rodney	CHARLES Bernard John
QUILLIAM Daryl H	SMITH James	

Circular Head Councillor 2002 First Preferences



## Circular Head Council

Electors enrolled: 5614

Declarations rejected: 55

Ballot paper adjustment: 0 Formal Votes: 3496

Polling closed at 10am 29 October 2002

Declarations returned: 3586

Declarations admitted: 3531

Total ballot papers: 3531 Informal ballot papers: 35

Number to be elected: 5

Response: 63.88%

Rejection rate: 1.53%

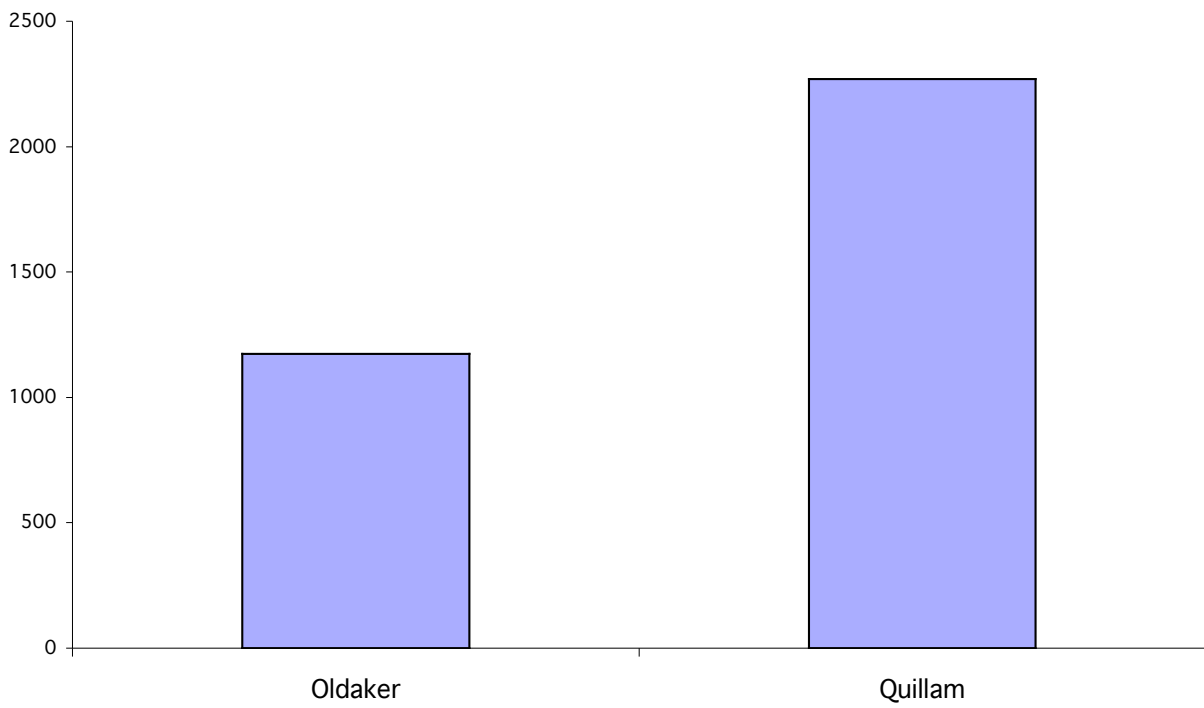
Informality rate: 0.99%

Returning Officer: Mr Julian Type

Quota= 583

		Candidates						Exhausted	Loss (Gain) by fraction	Total Votes	Remarks
		Flowers	Hine	Oldaker	Smith	Weldon	Wilson				
Count 1	Total	413.00	1982.00	332.00	168.00	172.00	429.00	0.00	0.00	3496	<b>HINE elected 1</b>
Count 2	Votes Transferred	133.40	-1399.00	291.51	352.22	293.63	328.22	0.00	0.02		HINE's surplus distributed
Count 3	Progress totals	546.40	583.00	623.51	520.22	465.63	757.22	0.00	0.02	3496	<b>WILSON elected 2, OLDAKER elected 3</b>
	Votes Transferred	46.83			70.06	57.32	-174.22	0.00	0.01		WILSON's surplus distributed
Count 4	Progress totals	593.23	583.00	623.51	590.28	522.95	583.00	0.00	0.03	3496	<b>FLOWERS elected 4, SMITH elected 5</b>

### Circular Head Deputy Mayor 2002 First Preferences



# Mayor— Ross Hine Elected unopposed

## Circular Head Council

Polling closed at 10am 29th October 2002

Returning Officer: Mr Julian Type

Declarations admitted: 3531

Ballot paper adjustment: 0

Total ballot papers: 3531

Formal votes: 3444

Informal ballot papers: 87

Informality rate: 2.46%

## Deputy Mayor

		Candidates		Exhausted Votes	Total Votes	Absolute Majority	Remarks
		Oldaker	Quillam				
Count 1	Total	1174	2270	0	3444	1723	<b>Quillam elected</b>