



Launceston City 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.

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 Launceston City Council Election

Elections were held for the positions of Mayor and Deputy Mayor for 2 year terms and 6 Councillors (Aldermen) for 4 year terms.

44 525 Launceston City electors were enrolled for the 2002 elections, comprising 43 946 (98.70%) from the State House of Assembly roll and 579 (1.30%) from the General Manager's roll.

53.88% of Launceston City electors returned their ballot papers in comparison with 57.48% statewide.

By-Election

A by-election was held between the 2000 and 2002 elections following the death of Mayor, Councillor John Lees on 26 November 2001. The ballot closed at 10 am Tuesday 19 February 2002. Seven candidates contested the mayoral by-election and thirteen candidates contested the councillor by-election. Full details are provided on the back page.

Candidates at the 2002 elections

Mayor		Councillors (Aldermen)	
★ DICKENSON, Janie*	Trevallyn	BROOKES, George*	Waverley
		BUTLER, Debbie	South Launceston
		CALVERT, Cindy	Summerhill
		★ CAMPBELL, Jodie	Ravenswood
		COLEBROOK, Katie	West Launceston
		COURTNEY, Grant	Turners Marsh
		★ DEAN, Ivan	Forth
		McNAUGHTON, Quentin John	Newstead
		NEIL, Rex	Launceston
		NOBLE, Michael	Underwood
		★ NOTT, Frank	Newstead
		PARTRIDGE, Ken	Launceston
		★ PECK, Tony*	Norwood
		RODRIGUEZ, Stella	Lilydale
		SEYMOUR, Terence	Kings Meadows
		★ SMART, Margot*	Launceston
		SOWARD, Rob	Blackstone Heights
		★ WADDLE, Annette*	Newnham
		WILKINSON, Rob	Mowbray

Deputy Mayor			
SHIPP, Ray	Newnham		
★ WADDLE, Annette*	Newnham		
WALTERS, Joan	Trevallyn		

★ denotes elected candidate
* denotes seeking re-election

Launceston City Councillors following the 2002 elections

Mayor	12 Councillors (Aldermen)	
<i>term ends 2004</i>	<i>term ends 2006</i>	<i>term ends 2004</i>
DICKENSON Janie	DEAN Ivan	BEAMS Graeme
Deputy Mayor	WADDLE Annette	McKENDRICK Robin
<i>term ends 2004</i>	CAMPBELL Jodie	SHIPP Ray
WADDLE Annette	PECK Tony	DICKENSON Janie
	SMART Margot	WALTERS Joan
	NOTT Frank	ROUTLEY Ian

Launceston City Council

Polling closed at 10am 29 October 2002

Number to be elected: 6

Returning Officer: Mr Joseph Brewin

		Candidates										
		Brookes	Butler	Calvert	Campbell	Colebrook	Courtesy	Dean	McNaughton	Neil	Noble	Nottingham
Count 1	Total	1450.00	652.00	371.00	2483.00	372.00	842.00	4717.00	136.00	709.00	488.00	1696.
Count 2	Votes Transferred	110.96	27.14	21.17	198.35	16.40	61.74	-1407.00	15.21	49.21	39.96	156.
	Progress totals	1560.96	679.14	392.17	2681.35	388.40	903.74	3310.00	151.21	758.21	527.96	1852.
Count 3	Votes Transferred	8.00	9.00	8.00	5.00	6.00	11.00		-136.00	9.00	16.00	4.
	Progress totals	1568.96	688.14	400.17	2686.35	394.40	914.74	3310.00	15.21	767.21	543.96	1856.
Count 4	Votes Transferred	1.19	0.59	0.59	1.49	0.59	1.78		-15.21	0.59	1.19	1.
	Progress totals	1570.15	688.73	400.76	2687.84	394.99	916.52	3310.00	0.00	767.80	545.15	1857.
Count 5	Votes Transferred	0.87	0.43	0.43	0.43	0.00	0.00			0.43	0.87	0.
	Progress totals	1571.02	689.16	401.19	2688.27	394.99	916.52	3310.00		768.23	546.02	1858.
Count 6 to 7	Votes Transferred	8.59	23.59	14.38	28.98	11.78	7.29			6.29	12.59	17.
	Progress totals	1579.61	712.75	415.57	2717.25	406.77	923.81	3310.00		774.52	558.61	1875.
Count 8 to 10	Votes Transferred	15.59	12.19	18.59	38.98	16.89	29.08			23.78	54.25	16.
	Progress totals	1595.20	724.94	434.16	2756.23	423.66	952.89	3310.00		798.30	612.86	1892.
Count 11 to 12	Votes Transferred	10.19	49.19	23.00	59.57	18.00	20.59			20.59	55.19	33.
	Progress totals	1605.39	774.13	457.16	2815.80	441.66	973.48	3310.00		818.89	668.05	1925.
Count 13 to 15	Votes Transferred	20.02	30.51	37.19	49.17	29.59	37.08			38.19	33.19	33.
	Progress totals	1625.41	804.64	494.35	2864.97	471.25	1010.56	3310.00		857.08	701.24	1959.
Count 16 to 17	Votes Transferred	18.89	62.38	72.19	107.66	-471.25	27.59			22.08	38.78	16.
	Progress totals	1644.30	867.02	566.54	2972.63	0.00	1038.15	3310.00		879.16	740.02	1975.
Count 18 to 20	Votes Transferred	25.32	96.66	-566.54	152.36		35.29			47.19	45.89	22.
	Progress totals	1669.62	963.68	0.00	3124.99		1073.44	3310.00		926.35	785.91	1998.
Count 21 to 23	Votes Transferred	31.89	94.69		131.50		129.26			67.20	-785.91	63.
	Progress totals	1701.51	1058.37		3256.49		1202.70	3310.00		993.55	0.00	2062.
Count 24	Votes Transferred	103.00	57.00		136.00		169.00			-931.00		106.
	Progress totals	1804.51	1115.37		3392.49		1371.70	3310.00		62.55		2168.
Count 25 to 26	Votes Transferred	6.86	6.39				11.33			-62.55		8.
	Progress totals	1811.37	1121.76		3392.49		1383.03	3310.00		0.00		2177.
Count 27	Votes Transferred	3.63	18.19		-82.49		12.73					9.
	Progress totals	1815.00	1139.95		3310.00		1395.76	3310.00				2186.
Count 28 to 31	Votes Transferred	55.69	-1139.95				161.75					129.
	Progress totals	1870.69	0.00		3310.00		1557.51	3310.00				2316.
Count 32	Votes Transferred	141.00					-1447.00					201.
	Progress totals	2011.69			3310.00		110.51	3310.00				2517.
Count 33 to 34	Votes Transferred	11.03					-110.51					21.
	Progress totals	2022.72			3310.00		0.00	3310.00				2539.
Count 35	Votes Transferred	11.87										19.
	Progress totals	2034.59			3310.00			3310.00				2558.
Count 36	Votes Transferred	-1875.00										603.
	Progress totals	159.59			3310.00			3310.00				3161.
Count 37 to 40	Votes Transferred	-159.59										73.
	Progress totals	0.00			3310.00			3310.00				3234.
Count 41	Votes Transferred											190.
Count 42	Progress totals				3310.00			3310.00				3425.

Electors enrolled: 44525

Declarations rejected: 312

Ballot paper adjustment: 24

Formal Votes: 23167

Declarations returned: 23991

Declarations admitted: 23679

Total ballot papers: 23655

Informal ballot papers: 488

Response: 53.88%

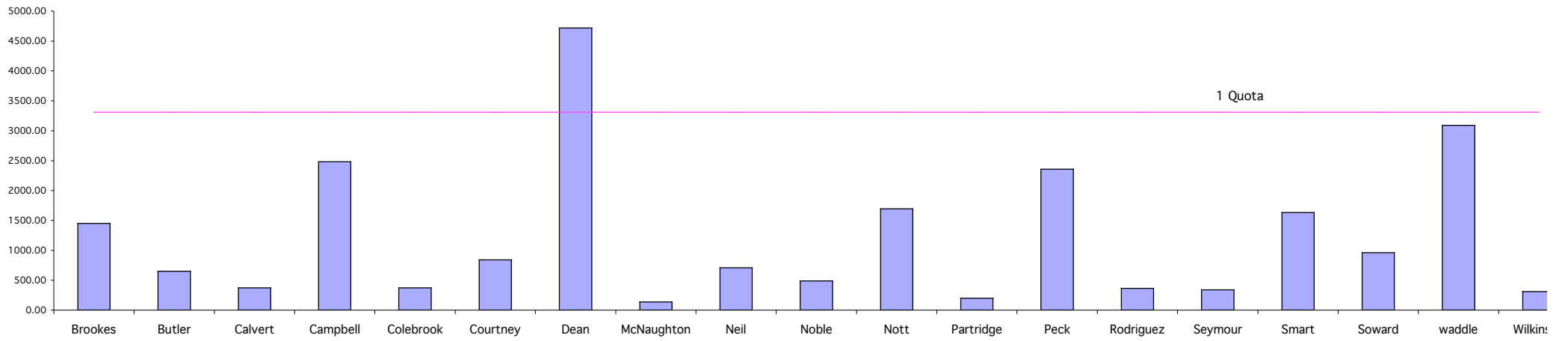
Rejection rate: 1.30%

Informality rate: 2.06%

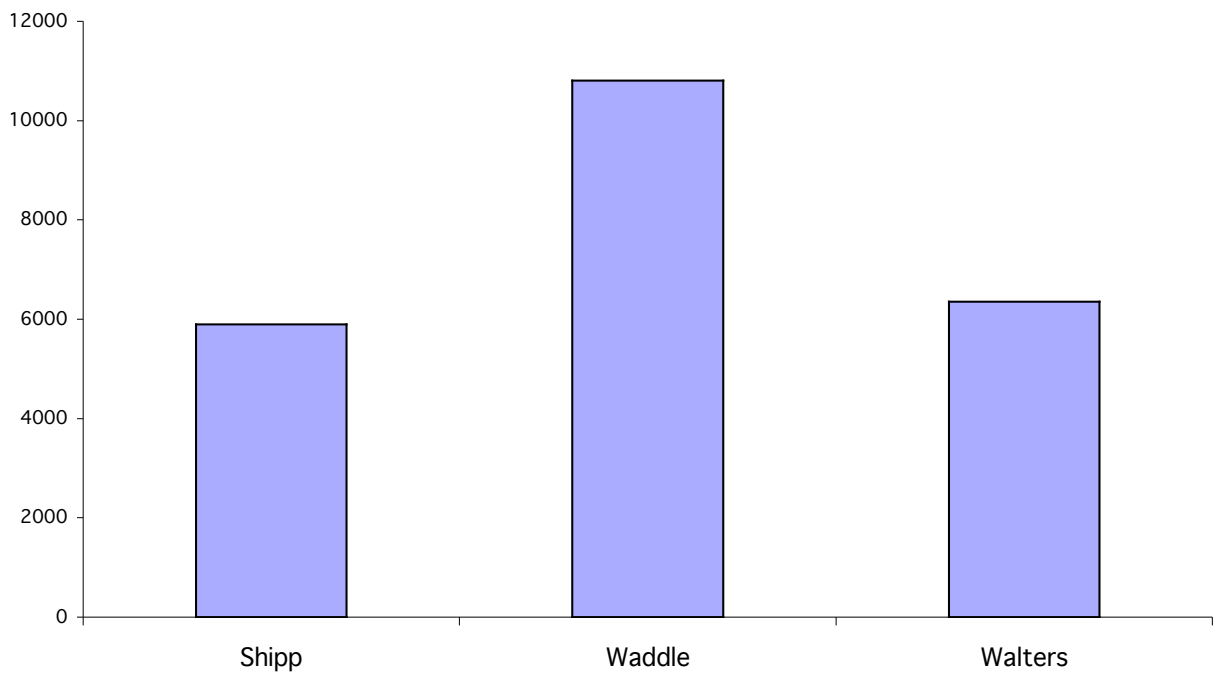
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Candidates								Exhausted	Loss (Gain) by fraction	Total Votes	Remarks
Partridge	Peck	Rodriguez	Seymour	Smart	Soward	Waddle	Wilkinson				
198.00	2356.00	364.00	338.00	1634.00	960.00	3089.00	312.00	0.00	0.00	23167	DEAN elected 1
16.10	248.17	10.73	20.28	134.22	51.00	210.88	18.79	0.00	0.10		DEAN's surplus distributed
214.10	2604.17	374.73	358.28	1768.22	1011.00	3299.88	330.79	0.00	0.10	23167	McNAUGHTON excluded
3.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	8.00	6.00	18.00	10.00	0.00	0.00		McNAUGHTON's votes distributed
217.10	2609.17	379.73	363.28	1776.22	1017.00	3317.88	340.79	0.00	0.10	23167	WADDLE elected 2 , McNAUGHTON partially excluded
1.19	2.08	0.00	0.00	1.78	0.89		0.00	0.00	0.07		McNAUGHTON's votes distributed
218.29	2611.25	379.73	363.28	1778.00	1017.89	3317.88	340.79	0.00	0.17	23167	McNAUGHTON fully excluded
0.00	1.31	0.00	0.87	0.87	0.00	-7.88	0.87	0.00	0.07		WADDLE's surplus distributed
218.29	2612.56	379.73	364.15	1778.87	1017.89	3310.00	341.66	0.00	0.24	23167	PARTRIDGE excluded
-218.29	14.89	9.29	20.89	23.08	13.59		5.29	0.00	0.09		PARTRIDGE's votes distributed
0.00	2627.45	389.02	385.04	1801.95	1031.48	3310.00	346.95	0.00	0.33	23167	PARTRIDGE fully excluded, WILKINSON excluded
	19.59	13.29	20.59	26.08	41.49		-346.95	0.00	0.07		WILKINSON's votes distributed
2647.04	402.31	405.63	1828.03	1072.97	3310.00		0.00	0.00	0.40	23167	WILKINSON fully excluded, RODRIGUEZ excluded
29.89	-402.31	11.89	52.89	18.00				0.00	0.03		RODRIGUEZ's votes distributed
2676.93	0.00	417.52	1880.92	1090.97	3310.00			0.00	0.43	23167	RODRIGUEZ fully excluded, SEYMOUR excluded
27.28		-417.52	47.28	33.19				1.00	0.05		SEYMOUR's votes distributed
2704.21		0.00	1928.20	1124.16	3310.00			1.00	0.48	23167	SEYMOUR fully excluded, COLEBROOK excluded
22.89			39.08	43.19				0.00	0.03		COLEBROOK's votes distributed
2727.10			1967.28	1167.35	3310.00			1.00	0.51	23167	COLEBROOK fully excluded, CALVERT excluded
46.77			63.98	25.08				5.00	0.02		CALVERT's votes distributed
2773.87			2031.26	1192.43	3310.00			6.00	0.53	23167	CALVERT fully excluded, NOBLE excluded
59.45			99.09	101.77				7.89	0.02		NOBLE's votes distributed
2833.32			2130.35	1294.20	3310.00			13.89	0.55	23167	NOBLE fully excluded, NEIL excluded
116.00			110.00	120.00				14.00	0.00		NEIL's votes distributed
2949.32			2240.35	1414.20	3310.00			27.89	0.55	23167	CAMPBELL elected 3 , NEIL partially excluded
9.84			8.65	8.65				1.92	-0.03		NEIL's votes distributed
2959.16			2249.00	1422.85	3310.00			29.81	0.52	23167	NEIL fully excluded
7.27			15.16	13.34				2.42	0.05		CAMPBELL's surplus distributed
2966.43			2264.16	1436.19	3310.00			32.23	0.57	23167	BUTLER excluded
157.07			424.19	143.75				67.52	-0.01		BUTLER's votes distributed
3123.50			2688.35	1579.94	3310.00			99.75	0.56	23167	BUTLER fully excluded, COURTNEY excluded
260.00			299.00	443.00				103.00	0.00		COURTNEY's votes distributed
3383.50			2987.35	2022.94	3310.00			202.75	0.56	23167	PECK elected 4 , COURTNEY partially excluded
			33.80	30.47				13.74	-0.04		COURTNEY's votes distributed
3383.50			3021.15	2053.41	3310.00			216.49	0.52	23167	COURTNEY fully excluded
-73.50			17.24	13.85				10.74	0.02		PECK's surplus distributed
3310.00			3038.39	2067.26	3310.00			227.23	0.54	23167	BROOKES excluded
			707.00	363.00				202.00	0.00		BROOKES' votes distributed
3310.00			3745.39	2430.26	3310.00			429.23	0.54	23167	SMART elected 5 , BROOKES partially excluded
				45.65				40.99	-0.05		BROOKES' votes distributed
3310.00			3745.39	2475.91	3310.00			470.22	0.49	23167	BROOKES fully excluded
			-435.39	134.25				110.23	0.01		SMART's surplus distributed
3310.00			3310.00	2610.16	3310.00			580.45	0.50	23167	NOTT elected 6

Launceston City Councillor 2002 First Preferences



Launceston City Deputy Mayor 2002 First Preferences



Mayor— Janie Dickinson Elected unopposed

Launceston City Council

Polling closed at 10am 29th October 2002

Returning Officer: Mr Joseph Brewin

Declarations admitted: 23679

Ballot paper adjustment: 22

Total ballot papers: 23657

Formal votes: 23058

Informal ballot papers: 599

Informality rate: 2.53%

Deputy Mayor

		Candidates			Exhausted Votes	Total Votes	Absolute Majority	Remarks
		Shipp	Waddle	Walters				
Count 1	Total	5899	10810	6349	0	23058	11530	Shipp excluded
Count 2	Votes transferred	-5899	3036	2110	753			
	Progress totals	0	13846	8459	753	23058	11153	Waddle elected

Launceston City Council - By-election for Mayor

By-election due to the death of Mayor John Lees

20 February 2002

Polling closed at 10 am Tuesday 19 February 2002

Number to be elected : 1

Returning Officer : Mr Bob Batchelor

Electors enrolled : 44 375

Declarations returned : 24 095

Response 54.30%

Declarations rejected : 182

Declarations admitted : 23 913

Rejection rate : 0.76%

Ballot paper adjustment : 12

Total ballot papers : 23 901

Formal votes : 23 764

Informal ballot papers : 137

Informality rate : 0.58%

CANDIDATES

		Dickenson	Mckendrick	Peck	Routley	Sands	Smart	Waddle	Exhausted	Absolute Majority	Total Votes	Remarks
Count 1	Total	6 941.00	5261	3 668.00	1 417.00	1 299.00	1 733.00	3 445.00		11 883.00	23 764.00	Primary Votes
Count 2	Votes transferred	338.00	210.00	177.00	121.00	-1 299.00	138.00	120.00	195.00			Sands Excluded
	Progress totals	7 279.00	5 471.00	3 845.00	1 538.00	0.00	1 871.00	3 565.00	195.00	11 785.00	23 764.00	
Count 3	Votes transferred	438.00	318.00	288.00	-1 538.00		168.00	175.00	151.00			Routley Excluded
	Progress totals	7 717.00	5 789.00	4 133.00	0.00		2 039.00	3 740.00	346.00	11 710.00	23 764.00	
Counts 4	Votes transferred	590.00	382.00	431.00			-2 039.00	394.00	242.00			Smart Excluded
	Progress totals	8 307.00	6 171.00	4 564.00			0.00	4 134.00	588.00	11 589.00	23 764.00	
Counts 5	Votes transferred	1 204.00	908.00	1 464.00				-4 134.00	558.00			Waddle Excluded
	Progress totals	9 511.00	7 079.00	6 028.00				0.00	741.00	11 310.00	23 764.00	
Counts 6	Votes transferred	1 913.00	3 374.00	-6 028.00					1 887.00			Peck Excluded

Launceston City Council - By-election for Councillor

By-election due to the death of Councillor (Alderman) John Lees

20 February 2002

Polling closed 10am, Tuesday 19 February 2002
 Number to be elected: 1
 Returning Officer: Bob Batchelor

Electors enrolled: 44 375
 Declarations returned: 24 095
 Response rate: 54.3%

Declarations rejected: 182
 Declarations admitted: 23 913
 Rejection rate: 0.76%

Ballot paper adjustment: 18
 Total ballot papers: 23 895

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		BYRNE	CAMPBELL	CARR	CORDELL	NEIL	NEWMAN	NOTT	REID	SEYMOUR	SOWARD	WILKINSON	WILSON	WOOD	Exhausted Votes	Total Votes	Absolu Majorit
Count 1	Total	1294.00	3987.00	1126.00	880.00	1219.00	1876.00	3734.00	3554.00	970.00	1082.00	675.00	1189.00	1601.00		23187.00	11594
Count 2	Votes transferred	52.00	61.00	25.00	18.00	27.00	53.00	35.00	74.00	36.00	50.00	-675.00	51.00	50.00	143.00		
	Progress totals	1346.00	4048.00	1151.00	898.00	1246.00	1929.00	3769.00	3628.00	1006.00	1132.00	0.00	1240.00	1651.00	143.00	23187.00	11523
Count 3	Votes transferred	34.00	97.00	68.00	-898.00	52.00	94.00	114.00	80.00	36.00	36.00		78.00	28.00	181.00		
	Progress totals	1380.00	4145.00	1219.00	0.00	1298.00	2023.00	3883.00	3708.00	1042.00	1168.00		1318.00	1679.00	324.00	23187.00	11433
Count 4 to 6	Votes transferred	76.00	145.00	70.00		48.00	99.00	76.00	66.00	-1042.00	51.00		80.00	95.00	236.00		
	Progress totals	1456.00	4290.00	1289.00		1346.00	2122.00	3959.00	3774.00	0.00	1219.00		1398.00	1774.00	560.00	23187.00	11315
Counts 7 to 9	Votes transferred	71.00	186.00	81.00		57.00	112.00	135.00	129.00		-1219.00		52.00	149.00	247.00		
	Progress totals	1527.00	4476.00	1370.00		1403.00	2234.00	4094.00	3903.00		0.00		1450.00	1923.00	807.00	23187.00	11191
Counts 10 to 12	Votes transferred	122.00	155.00	-1370.00		125.00	157.00	243.00	165.00				76.00	74.00	253.00		
	Progress totals	1649.00	4631.00	0.00		1528.00	2391.00	4337.00	4068.00				1526.00	1997.00	1060.00	23187.00	11065
Counts 13 to 15	Votes transferred	122.00	254.00			103.00	202.00	193.00	221.00				-1526.00	168.00	263.00		
	Progress totals	1771.00	4885.00			1631.00	2593.00	4530.00	4289.00				0.00	2165.00	1323.00	23187.00	10933
Count 16	Votes transferred	199.00	248.00			-1631.00	258.00	319.00	206.00					142.00	259.00		
	Progress totals	1970.00	5133.00			0.00	2851.00	4849.00	4495.00					2307.00	1582.00	23187.00	10804
Counts 17 to 18	Votes transferred	-1970.00	420.00				299.00	263.00	286.00					381.00	321.00		
	Progress totals	0.00	5553.00				3150.00	5112.00	4781.00					2688.00	1903.00	23187.00	10643
Count 19	Votes transferred		874.00				445.00	464.00	504.00					-2688.00	401.00		
	Progress totals		6427.00				3595.00	5576.00	5285.00					0.00	2304.00	23187.00	10443
Counts 20 to 23	Votes transferred		1124.00				-3595.00	993.00	971.00						507.00		
	Progress totals		7551.00				0.00	6569.00	6256.00						2811.00	23187.00	10183
Counts 24 to 27	Votes transferred		2290.00					2700.00	-6256.00						1266.00		