

Break O'Day Council

2000 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) and 2000, with the next elections due in October 2002.

Following recent changes to the Act, mayors and deputy mayors were elected directly by the electors in each municipal area for the first time in 2000.

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.

2000 Election timetable

Notice of election published	Saturday 16 September
Electoral rolls closed	6 pm Thursday 21 September
Nomination period	25 September— 12 noon on 4 October
Nominations closed	12 noon Wednesday 4 October
Nominations announced & draw for ballot paper positions	12 noon Thursday 5 October
Ballot material delivered to electors	17–20 October
Polling period	17–31 October
Close of poll	10 am Tuesday 31 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.

Electoral polls

A council may hold an electoral poll on any issue it determines. It may also be required to hold an electoral poll following petitions from electors in accordance with Part 6 of the Act. A council is not bound by the result of an electoral 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 2000 Break O'Day Council Election

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

5179 Break O'Day electors were enrolled for the 2000 elections, comprising 4137 (79.88%) from the State House of Assembly roll and 1042 (20.12%) from the General Manager's roll.

73.00% of Break O'Day electors returned their ballot papers in comparison with 57.78% statewide.

Recount

One recount was held between the 1999 and 2000 elections. Councillor Henry Holder resigned from the Break O'Day Council on 15 October 1999. Two unelected candidates from the 1999 Break O'Day election consented to contest the recount. The recount took place at noon Thursday 28 October 1999. Full details are provided on the back page.

Candidates at the 2000 elections

Mayor

LE FEVRE, John	St Helens
LEGGE, Robert William*	St Marys
MANSKEY, Debra	Germantown
★ SALTER, Stephen Gordon	St Marys

Deputy Mayor

★ OSBORNE, Margaret	St Helens
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★ denotes elected candidate

* denotes seeking re-election

Councillors

BANTICK, Wendy Janine	St Marys
★ DALY, W J (Bill)	St Helens
GILES, Frank	Scamander
★ HOLDER, Henry Burbury	Fingal
★ LE FEVRE, John*	St Helens
★ MCGIVERON, John Charles	St Marys
MANSKEY, Debra	Germantown
RUBENACH, Hannah	St Marys
★ SALTER, Stephen Gordon*	St Marys
TUCKER, John William*	Binalong Bay
WILLIAMS, Carol	Binalong Bay

Break O'Day Councillors following the 2000 elections

Mayor

term ends 2002
SALTER Stephen Gordon

Deputy Mayor

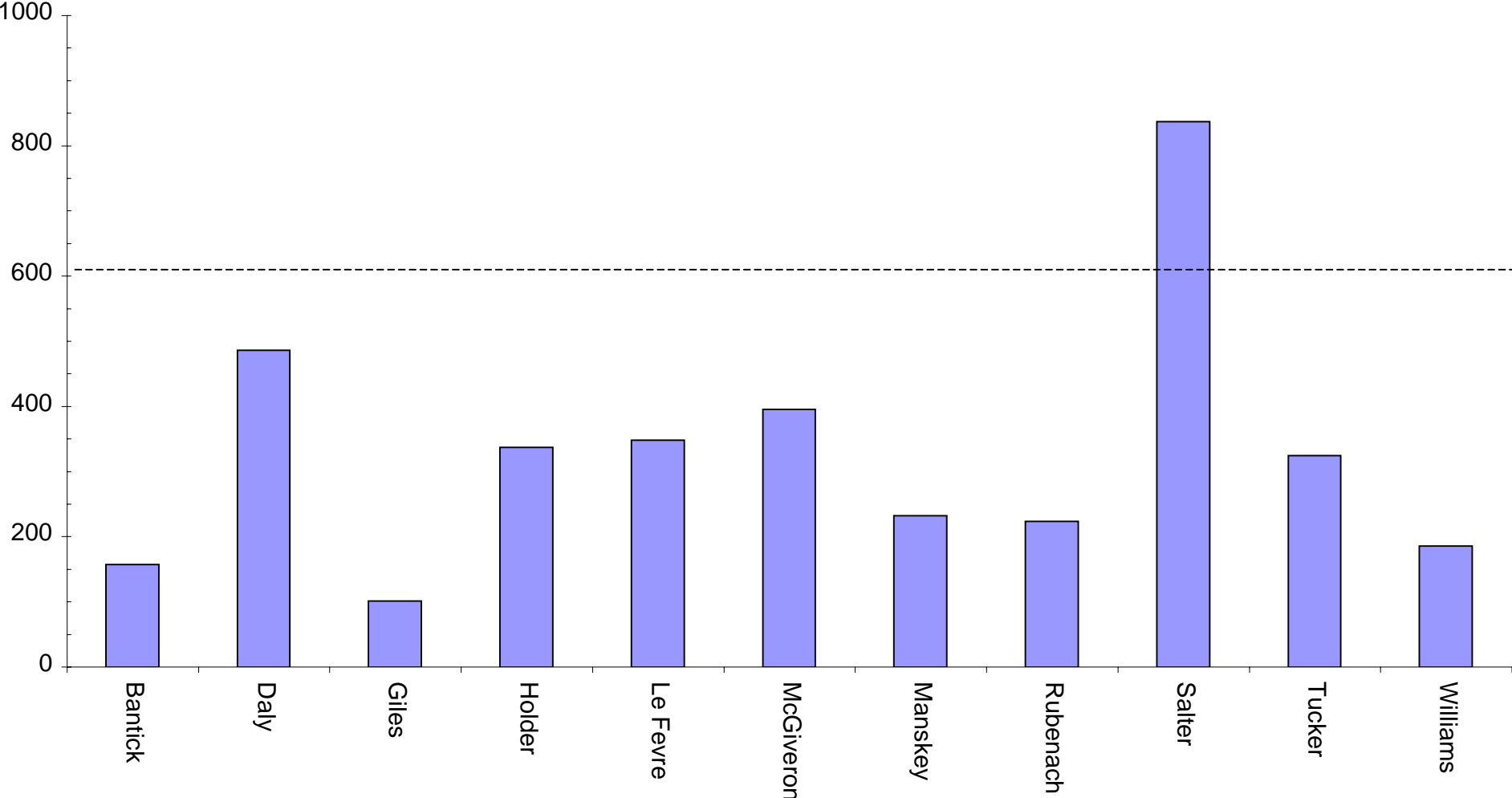
Term ends 2002
OSBORNE Margaret

9 Councillors

term ends 2004
SALTER Stephen Gordon
DALY W J (Bill)
LE FEVRE John
MCGIVERON John Charles
HOLDER Henry

term ends 2002
LEGGE Robert William
OSBORNE Margaret Leila
RAWNSLEY Tony
COLLINS John

Break O'Day Council - 2000 Councillor first preferences



Councillor distribution of preferences

Break O'Day Council

Polling closed at 10 am Tuesday 31 October 2000

Number to be elected : 5

Returning Officer : Mr Stephen Ferris

Electors enrolled : 5 179

Declarations returned : 3 781

Response 73.00%

Declarations rejected : 115

Declarations admitted : 3 666

Rejection rate : 3.04%

Ballot paper adjustment : 0

Total ballot papers : 3 666

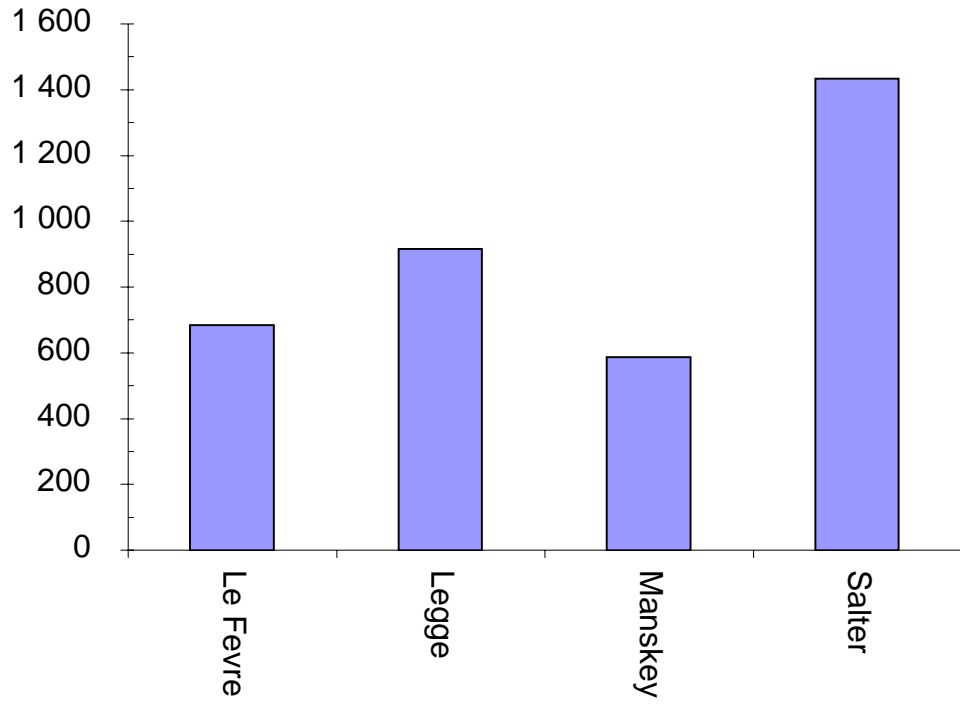
Formal votes : 3 625
Informal ballot papers : 41
Informality rate : 1.11%

Quota = 605

CANDIDATES

	Bantick	Daly	Giles	Holder	Le Fevre	McGiverson	Manskey	Rubenach	Salter	Tucker	Williams	Exhausted	Loss (Gain) by Fraction	Total Votes	Remarks
Count 1	157.00	486.00	101.00	337.00	348.00	395.00	232.00	223.00	837.00	324.00	185.00			3 625.00	Salter elected 1
Count 2	11.91	47.95	5.54	21.89	30.21	50.72	17.46	15.24	- 232.00	26.60	4.43	0.05	0.05	3 625.00	Salter's surplus distributed
Counts 3 to 4	168.91	533.95	106.54	358.89	378.21	445.72	249.46	238.24	605.00	350.60	189.43	0.04	0.04	3 625.00	Giles excluded
Counts 5 to 6	177.46	549.61	0.00	363.44	395.31	469.82	256.46	250.24	605.00	356.87	200.70	0.09	0.02	3 625.00	Bantick excluded
Counts 7 to 8	0.00	560.27		386.54	420.69	514.42	279.40	286.18	605.00	361.14	211.25	0.11	0.01	3 625.00	Williams excluded
Count 9		576.65		398.54	440.24	521.97	366.78	339.01	605.00	376.69	0.00	0.12	0.00	3 625.00	Rubenach fully excluded
Count 10		616.65		432.54	489.24	578.97	478.78	18.01	605.00	404.69		1.00	0.12	3 625.00	Daly elected 2
Count 11		616.65		436.14	491.73	583.68	482.93	0.00	605.00	407.73		1.00	0.14	3 625.00	Rubenach surplus distributed
Count 12		605.00		438.76	492.89	587.46	485.84		605.00	408.89		1.00	0.16	3 625.00	Tucker part excluded
Counts 13 to 14		605.00		65.00	186.00	82.00	39.00		605.00	- 377.00		5.00	0.00	3 625.00	Le Fevre elected 3, McGiverson elected 4
Count 15		605.00		503.76	678.89	669.46	524.84		605.00	31.89		3.60	-0.03	3 625.00	Tucker fully excluded
Count 16		605.00		19.15	522.91	678.89	534.01		605.00	0.00		9.60	0.13	3 625.00	Le Fevre's surplus distributed
Progress totals		605.00		40.52	- 73.89	25.02			605.00			8.34	0.01	3 625.00	McGiverson's surplus distributed
Progress totals		605.00		563.43	605.00	669.46	559.03		605.00			11.79	0.01	3 625.00	Holder elected 5
Progress totals		605.00		37.73	- 64.46	14.93			605.00			29.73	0.15	3 625.00	

Break O'Day Council — 2000 Mayor first preferences



Break O'Day Council

Polling closed at 10 am Tuesday 31 October 2000

Returning Officer : Mr Stephen Ferris

Electors enrolled : 5 179

Declarations returned : 3 781

Response 73.00 %

Mayor

Ballot paper adjustment : -7

Total ballot papers : 3 673

Formal votes : 3 615

Informal ballot papers : 58

Informality Rate : 1.57%

		CANDIDATES				Exhausted Votes	Total Votes	Remarks
		Le Fevre	Legge	Manskey	Salter			
Count 1	Total	683	914	585	1 433		3 615	
Count 2	Votes transferred	190	140	- 585	169	86		Manskey excluded
	Progress totals	873	1 054	0	1 602	86	3 615	
Count 3	Votes transferred	- 873	300		465	108		Le Fevre excluded
	Progress totals	0	1 354		2 067	194	3 615	Salter Elected

Deputy Mayor — Margaret Osbourne

Elected unopposed

Break O'Day Council

Recount due to the resignation of Councillor **Henry Holder**

Recount conducted at noon Thursday 28 October 1999

Distribution of preferences (multiplied by 100)

		CANDIDATES						
		CORBY Philip	MACKEEN Christina	Exhausted Votes	Lost by fraction	Total Votes	Absolute majority	Remarks
Count 1	Holder distribution	23 040	9 987	963	1	33 991	16 514	Corby Elected