



Derwent Valley 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.

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 2000 Derwent Valley Council Election

Elections were held for the positions of Mayor and Deputy Mayor for 2 year terms, 4 Councillors for 4 year terms, and one by-election for a Councillor for a 2 year term.

6447 Derwent Valley electors were enrolled for the 2000 elections, comprising 6336 (98.28%) from the State House of Assembly roll and 111 (1.72%) from the General Manager's roll.

55.25% of Derwent Valley electors returned their ballot papers in comparison with 57.78% statewide.

Candidates at the 2000 elections

Mayor

★ CRACKNELL, Nick Granton

Deputy Mayor

BROMFIELD, Judy New Norfolk
★ NICHOLSON, Tony Lachlan
PARKER, Richard Lachlan
WILLIAMS, Ray New Norfolk

★ denotes elected candidate
* denotes seeking re-election

Councillors

BEAN, Ivan New Norfolk
★ BLACKWELL, Leonard* New Norfolk
CANNAN, John New Norfolk
COWLEY, Dane Lachlan
★ CRAW, Hilary New Norfolk
GOSS, Geoffrey (Joe) New Norfolk
KOOY, Dirk New Norfolk
★ LATHEY, Barry New Norfolk
MURRAY, Pat New Norfolk
★ NICHOLSON, Tony* Lachlan
★ PARKER, Richard Lachlan
STRONG, Adam New Norfolk

Derwent Valley Councillors following the 2000 elections

Mayor

term ends 2002
CRACKNELL Nick

Deputy Mayor

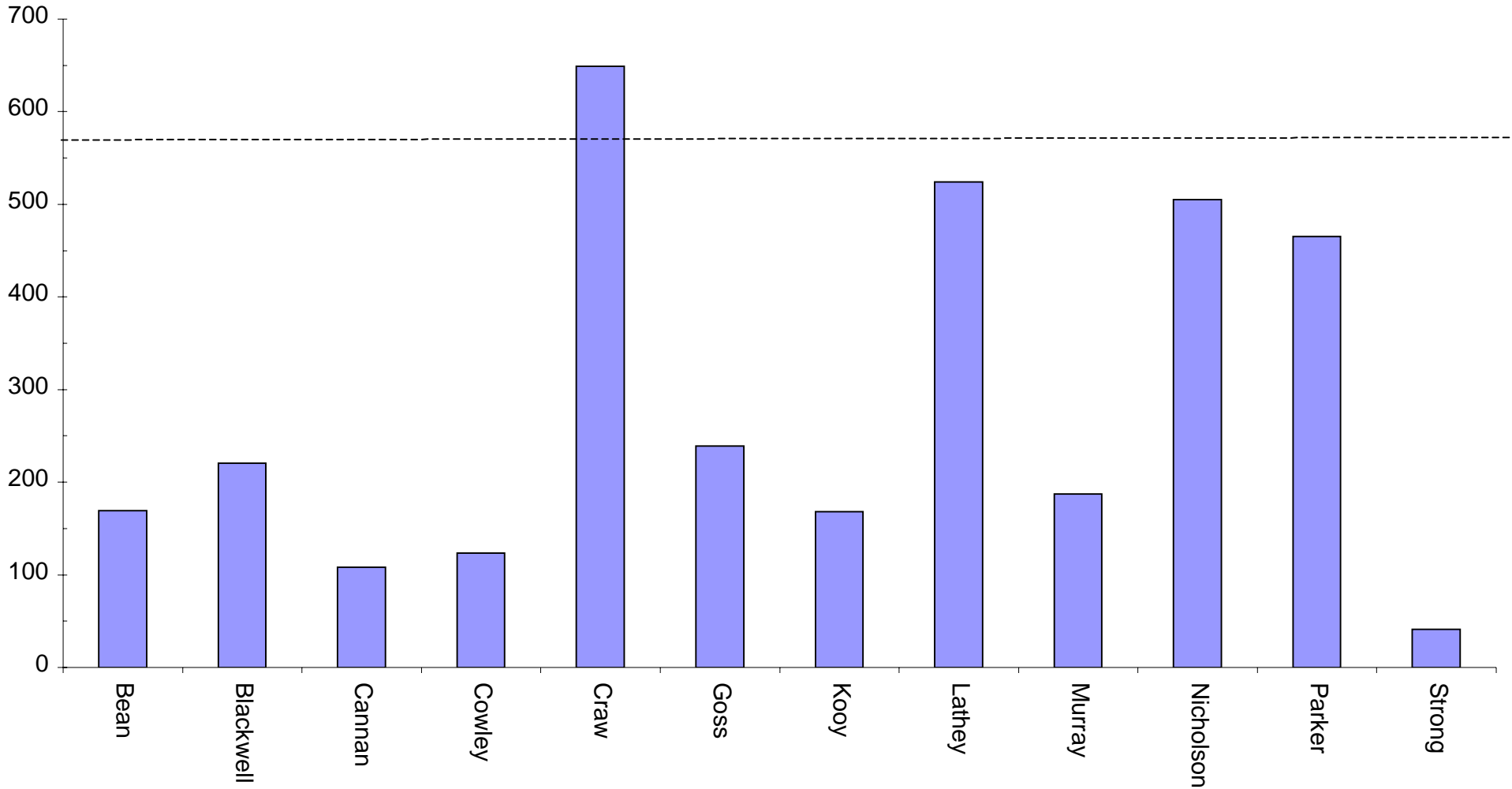
term ends 2002
NICHOLSON Tony

9 Councillors

term ends 2004
CRAW Hilary
LATHEY Barry
NICHOLSON Tony
PARKER Richard

term ends 2002
CRACKNELL Nick
WILLIAMS Ray
WALL Robbie
BROMFIELD Judy
BLACKWELL Leonard

2000 Councillor first preferences



Councillor distribution of preferences

Derwent Valley Council

Polling closed at 10 am Tuesday 31 October 2000

Number to be elected : 5

Returning Officer : Mr Graham Hyde

Electors enrolled : 6 447

Declarations rejected : 76

Ballot paper adjustment : 1

Formal votes : 3 398

Declarations returned : 3 562

Declarations admitted : 3 486

Total ballot papers : 3 485

Informal ballot papers : 87

Response 55.25%

Rejection rate : 2.13%

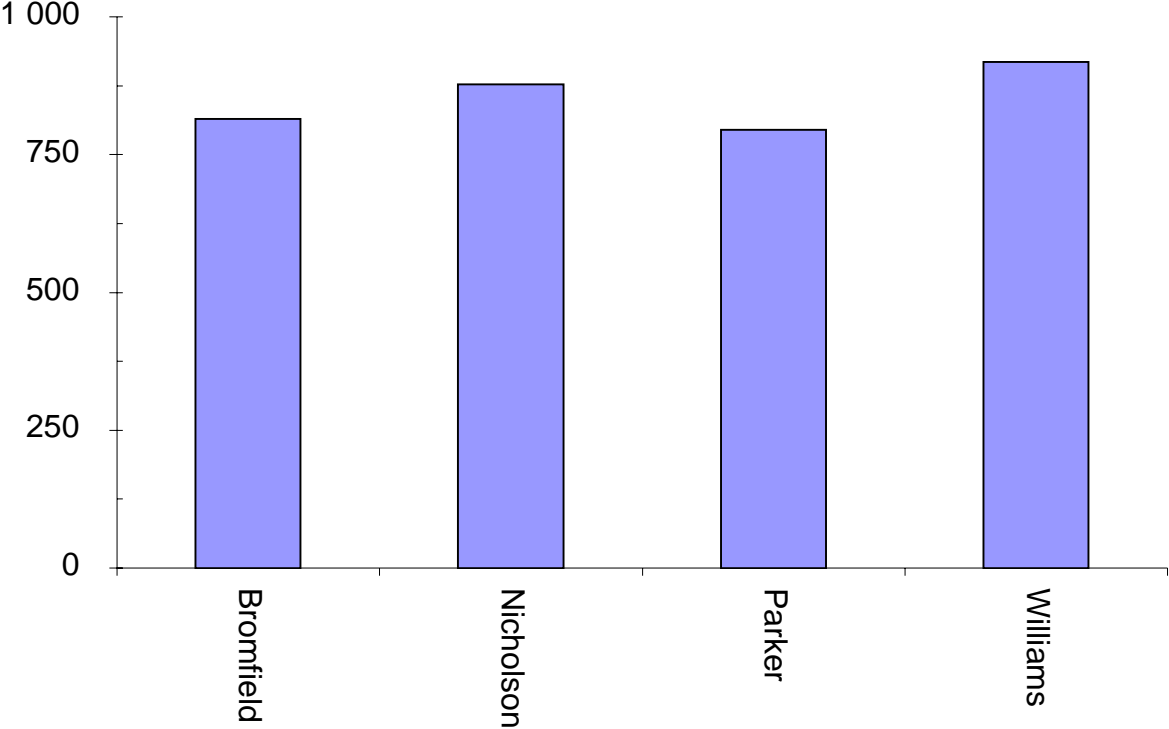
Informality rate : 2.49%

CANDIDATES

Quota = 567

	Bean	Blackwell	Cannan	Cowley	Craw	Goss	Kooy	Lathey	Murray	Nicholson	Parker	Strong	Exhausted	Loss (Gain) by Fraction	Total Votes	Remarks
Count 1	169.00	220.00	108.00	123.00	649.00	239.00	168.00	524.00	187.00	505.00	465.00	41.00			3 398.00	CRAW elected 1
Count 2	2.52	8.33	4.29	3.15	-82.00	5.55	4.04	19.58	7.32	14.65	11.62	0.88		0.07	3 398.00	CRAW's surplus distributed
Counts 3 to 4	171.52	228.33	112.29	126.15	567.00	244.55	172.04	543.58	194.32	519.65	476.62	41.88		0.07	3 398.00	STRONG excluded
Count 5	3.12	5.00	2.00	9.25		3.12	2.00	8.25	3.00	3.12	3.00	-41.88		0.02	3 398.00	STRONG excluded
Count 6	174.64	233.33	114.29	135.40	567.00	247.67	174.04	551.83	197.32	522.77	479.62	0.00		0.09	3 398.00	CANNAN part excluded
Count 7	9.00	19.00	-110.00	13.00		16.00	9.00	17.00	8.00	10.00	9.00			0.00	3 398.00	LATHEY elected 2
Count 8 to 10	183.64	252.33	4.29	148.40	567.00	263.67	183.04	568.83	205.32	532.77	488.62			0.09	3 398.00	CANNAN fully excluded
Count 11	0.50	0.00	-4.29	0.63		0.88	0.25		0.88	0.75	0.37			0.03	3 398.00	LATHEY's surplus distributed
Count 12 to 13	184.14	252.33	0.00	149.03	567.00	264.55	183.29	568.83	206.20	533.52	488.99			0.12	3 398.00	LATHEY's surplus distributed
Count 14	0.00	0.21		0.21		0.21	0.21	-1.83	0.21	0.32	0.43			0.03	3 398.00	COWLEY excluded
Count 15	184.14	252.54		149.24	567.00	264.76	183.50	567.00	206.41	533.84	489.42		1.00	0.15	3 398.00	COWLEY excluded
Counts 16 to 19	17.22	14.13		-149.24		22.47	17.50		29.50	27.50	19.88		1.00	0.04	3 398.00	KOOY part excluded
Count 20 to 24	201.36	266.67		0.00	567.00	287.23	201.00	567.00	235.91	561.34	509.30		2.00	0.19	3 398.00	KOOY fully excluded
Count 1	28.00	30.00				30.00	-196.00		22.00	35.00	49.00		3.00	0.00	3 398.00	NICHOLSON elected 3
Count 2	229.36	296.67			567.00	317.23	5.00	567.00	257.91	596.34	558.30		0.00	0.01	3 398.00	KOOY fully excluded
Count 3	0.12	1.11				1.11	-5.00		1.01	1.64	1.64		0.00	0.01	3 398.00	NICHOLSON's surplus distributed
Count 4	229.48	297.78			567.00	318.34	0.00	567.00	258.92	596.34	559.94		3.00	0.20	3 398.00	PARKER elected 4
Count 5	1.67	5.02				3.35			9.22	-29.34	7.54		2.51	0.03	3 398.00	PARKER's surplus distributed
Count 6	231.15	302.80			567.00	321.69		567.00	268.14	567.00	567.48		5.51	0.23	3 398.00	BEAN excluded
Count 7	0.00	0.05				0.15			0.21	-0.48	-0.48		0.05	0.02	3 398.00	BEAN excluded
Count 8	231.15	302.85			567.00	321.84		567.00	268.35	567.00	567.00		5.56	0.25	3 398.00	BEAN excluded
Count 9	231.15	302.85				321.84			61.19				20.08	0.00	3 398.00	MURRAY excluded
Count 10	-231.15	77.75			567.00	72.13		567.00	329.54	567.00	567.00		25.64	0.25	3 398.00	MURRAY excluded
Count 11	0.00	380.60				393.97			-329.54				41.26	0.02	3 398.00	BLACKWELL elected 5
Count 12	154.42				567.00	133.84		567.00	0.00	567.00	567.00		66.90	0.27	3 398.00	BLACKWELL elected 5
Count 13	535.02					527.81									3 398.00	BLACKWELL elected 5

Derwent Valley Council – 2000 Deputy Mayor first preferences



Derwent Valley Council

Polling closed at 10 am Tuesday 31 October 2000

Returning Officer : Mr Graham Hyde

Electors enrolled : 6 447

Declarations returned : 3 562

Response 55.25%

Mayor — Nick Cracknell

Elected unopposed

Deputy Mayor

Ballot paper adjustment : 1

Total ballot papers : 3 485

Formal votes : 3 404

Informal ballot papers : 81

Informality Rate : 2.32%

		CANDIDATES				Exhausted Votes	Total Votes	Remarks
		Bromfield	Nicholson	Parker	Williams			
Count 1	Total	814	877	795	918		3 404	
Count 2	Votes transferred	178	252	- 795	265	100		Parker excluded
	Progress totals	992	1 129	0	1 183	100	3 404	
Count 3	Votes transferred	- 992	520		357	115		Bromfield excluded
	Progress totals	0	1 649		1 540	215	3 404	Nicholson Elected