



Glamorgan-Spring Bay Council 2009 election report

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Local Government Elections in Tasmania

Every two years elections are held in all 29 municipal areas 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. In 2009, 27 elections were held in September/October, with the Break O'Day and Glamorgan-Spring Bay elections being postponed while an investigation into a proposed voluntary merger between them took place. These elections were then held in November/December.

The Tasmanian Electoral Commission (TEC) 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, 2002, 2005 (deferred from 2004), 2007 and 2009 with the next elections due in October 2011.

Since 2000, mayors and deputy mayors have been elected directly by the electors in all municipal areas. Previously, in most councils, mayors and deputy mayors were elected by the councillors at the first meeting of a new council.

Candidate information booklets and complete election results for the state are available from the TEC and are posted on the TEC website www.tec.tas.gov.au.

2009 Election timetable

Notice of election published Saturday 12 September

Electoral rolls closed 6 pm Thursday 17 September

Nomination period 14 September–12 noon on 28 September

Nominations closed 12 noon Monday 28 September

Nominations announced &

draw for ballot paper positions 12 noon Tuesday 29 September

Ballot material delivered to electors 13–16 October Polling period 13–27 October

Close of poll 10 am Tuesday 27 October

2009 Election timetable (Break O'Day and Glamorgan-Spring Bay)

Notice of election published Saturday 7 November

Electoral rolls closed 6 pm Thursday 12 November

Nomination period 9 November–12 noon on 23 November

Nominations closed 12 noon Monday 23 November

Nominations announced &

draw for ballot paper positions 12 noon Tuesday 24 November

Ballot material delivered to electors 8–11 December
Polling period 8–22 December

Close of poll 10 am Tuesday 22 December

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.

Bruce Taylor Electoral Commissioner February 2010

Report on the 2009 Glamorgan-Spring Bay Council Election

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

4187 Glamorgan-Spring Bay electors were enrolled for the 2009 elections, comprising 3332 (79.58%) from the State House of Assembly roll and 855 (20.42%) from the General Manager's roll.

66.01% of Glamorgan-Spring Bay electors returned their ballot papers in comparison with 55.54% statewide.

Recounts

A recount was conducted on 7 July 2008, to fill a vacancy for Councillor on the Glamorgan-Spring Bay Council following the resignation of Howard Harris on 23 June 2008. Four unelected candidates from the 2005 Glamorgan-Spring Bay Council election contested the recount.

A recount was conducted on 2 March 2009, to fill a vacancy for Councillor on the Glamorgan-Spring Bay Council following the resignation of Noel Stanley on 17 February 2009. Only one unelected candidate from the 2005 Glamorgan-Spring Bay Council election contested the recount and was therefore elected unopposed.

Full details of both recounts are provided in the back of this report.

Candidates at the 2009 elections

	Mayor			Councillors	
	ARNOL, Cheryl	Orford		BACON, Jan*	Swansea
*	CADART, Bertrand*	Bicheno		BROWN, Chelsea Lee	Swansea
	HARRIS, Howard Austin	Triabunna	*	CRAWFORD, Jenifer*	Dolphin Sands
			*	FAMA, Michael*	Orford
				GIBSON, Larry*	Buckland
	Deputy Mayor		*	HARRIS, Howard Austin	Triabunna
*	CRAWFORD, Jenifer*	Dolphin Sands		HEYWARD-CHAPLIN, David	Swansea
	FAMA, Michael	Orford	*	JOHNSTON, A. Craig A.*	Swansea
	,			KELCOYNE-LAWRENCE, Stephen Anthony	
	* denotes elected candi		*	WOODS, Jennifer Marie	Triabunna
	* denotes seeking re-ele	cuon			

Glamorgan-Spring Bay Councillors following the 2009 elections

Mayor	9 Councillors	
term ends 2011	term ends 2013	term ends 2011
CADART, Bertrand	HARRIS, Howard Austin	ARNOL, Cheryl
Deputy Mayor	CRAWFORD, Jenifer	CADART, Bertrand
term ends 2011	WOODS, Jennifer Marie	PARKER, Richard
CRAWFORD, Jenifer	FAMA, Michael	WHITTON, Geoff
	JOHNSTON, A. Craig A.	

Glamorgan-Spring Bay Council - 2009 Councillor election

Polling closed at 10am 22 December 2009 Electors enrolled: 4 187

Number to be elected: 5

Returning Officer: Mr Rod Huskins

Declarations returned: 2 764

Response: 66.01%

Declarations rejected: 24

Declarations admitted: 2 740

Rejection rate: 0.87%

Ballot paper adjustment: 2

Total ballot papers: 2 738

Formal Votes: 2 700

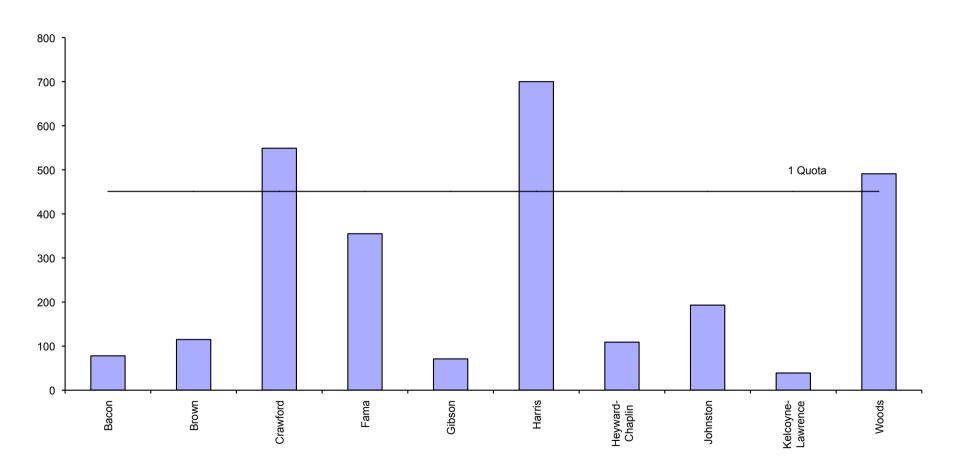
Informal ballot papers: 38

Informality rate: 1.39%

Quota = 451

Count	Bacon	Brown	Crawford	Fama	Gibson	Harris	Heyward- Chaplin	Johnston	Kelcoyne- Lawrence	Woods	Votes Exhausted	Loss (Gain) by Fraction	Total Votes	Remarks
1	78.00	115.00	549.00	355.00	71.00	700.00	109.00	193.00	39.00	491.00			2 700.00	Harris elected 1, Crawford elected 2, Woods elected 3
2	17.42	20.98		107.78	16.00	- 249.00	23.12	50.51	13.16			0.03		Harris' surplus distributed
_	95.42	135.98	549.00	462.78	87.00	451.00	132.12	243.51	52.16	491.00		0.03	2 700.00	Fama elected 4
3	16.77	20.52	- 98.00		9.63		22.49	22.31	6.24			0.04		Crawford's surplus distributed
_	112.19	156.50	451.00	462.78	96.63	451.00	154.61	265.82	58.40	491.00		0.07	2 700.00	
4	5.29	7.49			7.49		3.82	13.76	2.11	- 40.00		0.04		Woods' surplus distributed
_	117.48	163.99	451.00	462.78	104.12	451.00	158.43	279.58	60.51	451.00		0.11	2 700.00	
5	1.86	1.86		- 11.78	2.68		1.08	3.61	0.66			0.03		Fama's surplus distributed
_	119.34	165.85	451.00	451.00	106.80	451.00	159.51	283.19	61.17	451.00		0.14	2 700.00	
6 to 10	10.42	7.32			7.46		20.50	14.69	- 61.17		0.67	0.11		Kelcoyne-Lawrence excluded
_	129.76	173.17	451.00	451.00	114.26	451.00	180.01	297.88	0.00	451.00	0.67	0.25	2 700.00	
11 to 15	27.89	23.23			- 114.26		23.15	34.47			5.46	0.06		Gibson excluded
-	157.65	196.40	451.00	451.00	0.00	451.00	203.16	332.35		451.00	6.13	0.31	2 700.00	
16 to 20	- 157.65	58.43					30.49	62.06			6.66	0.01		Bacon excluded
=	0.00	254.83	451.00	451.00	Ī	451.00	233.65	394.41	•	451.00	12.79	0.32	2 700.00	
21		62.00					- 155.00	79.00			14.00	0.00		Heyward-Chaplin part excluded
	_	316.83	451.00	451.00	1	451.00	78.65	473.41		451.00	26.79	0.32	2 700.00	Johnston elected 5

2009 Glamorgan-Spring Bay Councillor election - first preferences



Glamorgan-Spring Bay Council

Polling closed at 10am 22 December 2009 Returning Officer: Mr Rod Huskins

Mayor Declarations admitted: 2740

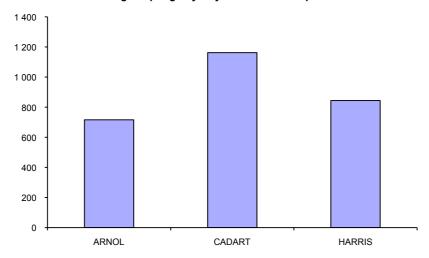
Ballot paper adjustment: 2 Total ballot papers: 2738 Formal Votes: 2722

Informal ballot papers: 16
Informality rate: 0.58%

Candidates

		ARNOL	CADART	HARRIS	Exhausted	Total Votes	Absolute Majority	Remarks
Count 1	Progress Total	716	1 162	844		2 722	1 362	First preferences
Count 2	Votes transferred	- 716	229	416	71			ARNOL excluded
	Progress Total	0	1 391	1 260	71	2 722	1 326	CADART elected

2009 Glamorgan-Spring Bay Mayor election - first preferences



Glamorgan-Spring Bay Council

Polling closed at 10am 22 December 2009 Returning Officer: Mr Rod Huskins

Deputy Mayor Declarations admitted: 2740

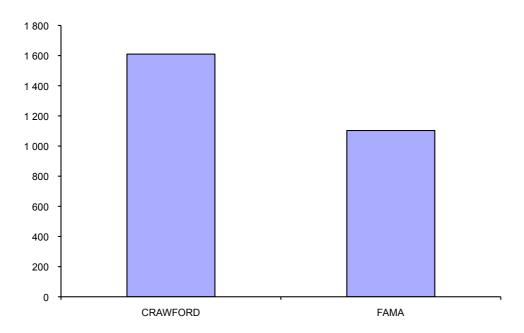
Ballot paper adjustment: 2 Informal ballot papers: 25
Total ballot papers: 2738 Informality rate: 0.91%

Formal Votes: 2713

Candidates

		CRAWFORD	FAMA	Total Votes	Absolute Majority	Remarks
Count 1	First Preferences	1 610	1 103	2 713	1 357	CRAWFORD elected

2009 Glamorgan-Spring Bay Deputy Mayor election - first preferences



Glamorgan-Spring Bay Council Recount

Recount due to resignation of Howard Harris

7 July 2008

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	_	GIBSON Larry	RANDALL Miranda	STANLEY Noel	WOOLLEY Dale Andrew	Exhausted Votes	Lost by fraction	Total Votes	Absolute majority	Remarks
Count 1	Total	57.49	89.11	120.01	98.45	35.93	0.01	401.00	182.54	Distribution of HARRIS, GIBSON excluded
Count 2	Votes transferred	- 57.49	16.52	12.93	18.68	9.34	0.02			
	Progress total	0.00	105.63	132.94	117.13	45.27	0.03	401.00	177.86	RANDALL excluded
Count 3	Votes transferred		- 105.63	48.14	43.11	14.37	0.01			
	Progress total		0.00	181.08	160.24	59.64	0.04	401.00	170.67	STANLEY elected

Glamorgan-Spring Bay Council Recount

Recount due to resignation of Councillor Noel Stanley

2 March 2009

Larry Gibson elected unopposed