



Launceston City 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

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 2009 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.

45 846 Launceston City electors were enrolled for the 2009 elections, comprising 45 376 (98.97%) from the State House of Assembly roll and 470 (1.03%) from the General Manager's roll.

53.68% of Launceston City electors returned their ballot papers in comparison with 55.54% statewide.

Candidates at the 2009 elections

Mayor		Councillors (Aldermen)	
ARMITAGE, Rosemary	St Leonards	* ARMITAGE, Rosemary*	St Leonards
SANDS, Ted	Kings Meadows	CALEY, John	Launceston
* van ZETTEN, Albert*	Riverside	ELLIOTT, Peter	Newstead
		ELLISON, Tom	Kings Meadows
		HUYSKENS, Monique	West Launceston
		LE FEVRE, Tony	West Launceston
Deputy Mayor		* McKENDRICK, Robin*	Norwood
BALL, Jeremy	Trevallyn	MALLETT, Paul	Mowbray
NORTON, Ian	Underwood	MOSTOGL, Adam	Launceston
* NOTT, Frank	Newstead	* NORTON, Ian*	Underwood
		PETROVSKY, Alex	Newstead
		* SANDS, Ted*	Kings Meadows
		SELBY, Michelle	Norwood
		SEYMOUR, Terence	Kings Meadows
		SMEDLEY, Daniel	Devon Hills
		* SOWARD, Rob	South Launceston
		STAVROS, Susan	Deviot
		* van ZETTEN, Albert*	Riverside
		WARDLAW, Jane	Newstead
		WEBB, Mark L	Prospect Vale

* denotes elected candidate

* denotes seeking re-election

Launceston City Councillors (Aldermen) following the 2009 elections

Mayor

term ends 2011

van ZETTEN, Albert

Deputy Mayor

term ends 2011

NOTT, Frank

12 Councillors (Aldermen)

term ends 2013

ARMITAGE, Rosemary

van ZETTEN, Albert

SANDS, Ted

McKENDRICK, Robin

SOWARD, Rob

NORTON, Ian

term ends 2011

DEAN, Ivan

BALL, Jeremy

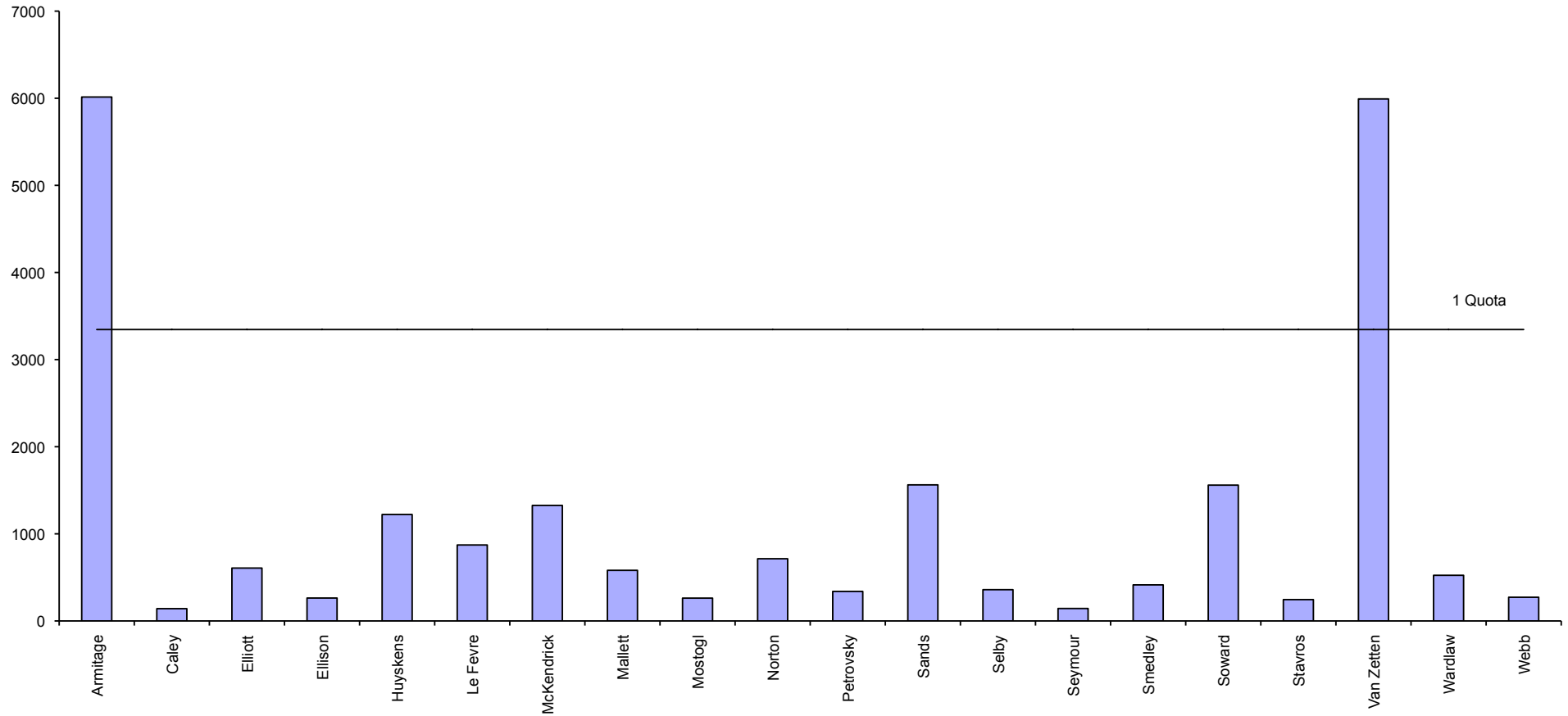
WADDLE, Annette

NOTT, Frank

PECK, Tony

SHIPP, Ray

2009 Launceston City Councillor election - first preferences



Launceston City Council - 2009 Councillor election

Polling closed at 10am 27 October 2009

Electors enrolled: 45 846

Number to be elected: 6

Declarations returned: 24 608

Returning Officer: Mrs Suzie Rogers

Response: 53.68%

Count	Armitage	Caley	Elliott	Ellison	Huyskens	Le Fevre	McKendrick	Mallett	Mostogl	Norton	Petrovsky	Sands	Selby
1	6 014.00	141.00	607.00	263.00	1 222.00	872.00	1 326.00	581.00	262.00	714.00	339.00	1 562.00	359.00
2	-2 669.00	31.95	134.02	61.24	145.56	193.49	347.49	66.56	28.84	421.60	59.46	495.72	102.96
	3 345.00	172.95	741.02	324.24	1 367.56	1 065.49	1 673.49	647.56	290.84	1 135.60	398.46	2 057.72	461.96
3		20.76	137.38	76.42	109.55	193.04	508.90	56.54	34.89	357.82	67.14	556.16	53.01
	3 345.00	193.71	878.40	400.66	1 477.11	1 258.53	2 182.39	704.10	325.73	1 493.42	465.60	2 613.88	514.97
4 to 6		15.20	10.77	5.77	12.98	16.20	12.09	10.32	2.44	9.21	9.64	18.62	11.09
	3 345.00	208.91	889.17	406.43	1 490.09	1 274.73	2 194.48	714.42	328.17	1 502.63	475.24	2 632.50	526.06
7 to 9		-208.91	19.98	15.09	23.42	14.86	12.65	10.65	4.32	18.41	8.20	17.53	14.65
	3 345.00	0.00	909.15	421.52	1 513.51	1 289.59	2 207.13	725.07	332.49	1 521.04	483.44	2 650.03	540.71
10 to 12			19.09	15.53	30.30	18.65	14.97	18.21	-332.49	34.07	16.88	29.74	13.53
	3 345.00		928.24	437.05	1 543.81	1 308.24	2 222.10	743.28	0.00	1 555.11	500.32	2 679.77	554.24
13 to 15			16.53	9.65	67.06	12.32	13.75	12.97		14.54	46.75	21.74	43.28
	3 345.00		944.77	446.70	1 610.87	1 320.56	2 235.85	756.25		1 569.65	547.07	2 701.51	597.52
16 to 18			37.70	33.28	24.75	39.26	31.05	27.86		37.26	29.61	35.72	20.96
	3 345.00		982.47	479.98	1 635.62	1 359.82	2 266.90	784.11		1 606.91	576.68	2 737.23	618.48
19 to 21			57.59	-479.98	44.36	39.29	49.22	27.96		47.57	35.84	44.28	26.74
	3 345.00		1 040.06	0.00	1 679.98	1 399.11	2 316.12	812.07		1 654.48	612.52	2 781.51	645.22
22 to 24			36.84		160.98	52.83	35.29	40.08		68.58	-612.52	52.70	34.05
	3 345.00		1 076.90		1 840.96	1 451.94	2 351.41	852.15		1 723.06	0.00	2 834.21	679.27
25 to 27			63.83		39.74	81.01	101.34	47.49		55.47		62.16	72.26
	3 345.00		1 140.73		1 880.70	1 532.95	2 452.75	899.64		1 778.53		2 896.37	751.53
28 to 30			59.60		130.11	61.60	86.90	47.93		46.93		65.93	-751.53
	3 345.00		1 200.33		2 010.81	1 594.55	2 539.65	947.57		1 825.46		2 962.30	0.00
31 to 33			91.81		153.67	99.47	92.80	-947.57		129.12		126.35	
	3 345.00		1 292.14		2 164.48	1 694.02	2 632.45	0.00		1 954.58		3 088.65	
34 to 36			-1 292.14		109.53	207.69	223.71			187.67		188.78	
	3 345.00		0.00		2 274.01	1 901.71	2 856.16			2 142.25		3 277.43	
37					275.00	135.00	140.00			140.00		162.00	
	3 345.00				2 549.01	2 036.71	2 996.16			2 282.25		3 439.43	
38 to 39					143.15	69.96	94.75			99.20			
	3 345.00				2 692.16	2 106.67	3 090.91			2 381.45		3 439.43	
40					12.82	17.48	9.90			25.06		-94.43	
	3 345.00				2 704.98	2 124.15	3 100.81			2 406.51		3 345.00	
41					255.00	-1 490.00	441.00			357.00			
	3 345.00				2 959.98	634.15	3 541.81			2 763.51		3 345.00	
42 to 44					99.98	-634.15				235.75			
	3 345.00				3 059.96	0.00	3 541.81			2 999.26		3 345.00	
45					45.96		-196.81			111.12			
	3 345.00				3 105.92		3 345.00			3 110.38		3 345.00	
46					13.31					28.36			
	3 345.00				3 119.23		3 345.00			3 138.74		3 345.00	

Declarations rejected: 486
 Declarations admitted: 24 122
 Rejection rate: 1.97%

Ballot paper adjustment: 21
 Total ballot papers: 24 101

Formal Votes: 23 411
 Informal ballot papers: 690
 Informality rate: 2.86%
 Quota = 3 345

Seymour	Smedley	Soward	Stavros	van Zetten	Wardlaw	Webb	Votes Exhausted	Loss (Gain) by Fraction	Total Votes	Remarks
143.00	414.00	1 559.00	245.00	5 992.00	524.00	272.00			23 411.00	Armitage elected 1, van Zetten elected 2
23.07	59.91	211.24	66.12		169.08	50.59		0.10		Armitage's surplus distributed
166.07	473.91	1 770.24	311.12	5 992.00	693.08	322.59		0.10	23 411.00	
22.08	68.03	159.03	30.48	-2 647.00	126.34	69.35		0.08		van Zetten's surplus distributed
188.15	541.94	1 929.27	341.60	3 345.00	819.42	391.94		0.18	23 411.00	
- 188.15	4.44	20.09	9.00		12.53	7.64		0.12		Seymour excluded
0.00	546.38	1 949.36	350.60	3 345.00	831.95	399.58		0.30	23 411.00	
	3.65	20.30	7.76		8.65	8.64		0.15		Caley excluded
	550.03	1 969.66	358.36	3 345.00	840.60	408.22		0.45	23 411.00	
	14.08	53.28	14.76		21.86	17.42		0.12		Mostogl excluded
	564.11	2 022.94	373.12	3 345.00	862.46	425.64		0.57	23 411.00	
	6.76	27.65	- 373.12		69.92	10.09		0.11		Stavros excluded
	570.87	2 050.59	0.00	3 345.00	932.38	435.73		0.68	23 411.00	
	41.06	36.05			41.06	- 435.73		0.11		Webb excluded
	611.93	2 086.64		3 345.00	973.44	0.00		0.79	23 411.00	
	18.53	41.28			46.82		0.44	0.06		Ellison excluded
	630.46	2 127.92		3 345.00	1 020.26		0.44	0.85	23 411.00	
	34.28	46.28			44.83		5.76	0.02		Petrovsky excluded
	664.74	2 174.20		3 345.00	1 065.09		6.20	0.87	23 411.00	
	- 664.74	86.57			54.37		0.44	0.06		Smedley excluded
	0.00	2 260.77		3 345.00	1 119.46		6.64	0.93	23 411.00	
		70.39			177.05		5.09			Selby excluded
		2 331.16		3 345.00	1 296.51		11.73	0.93	23 411.00	
		132.81			103.01		18.53	0.00		Mallett excluded
		2 463.97		3 345.00	1 399.52		30.26	0.93	23 411.00	
		173.36			170.70		30.73	- 0.03		Elliott excluded
		2 637.33		3 345.00	1 570.22		60.99	0.90	23 411.00	
		156.00			-1 049.00		41.00			Wardlaw part excluded
		2 793.33		3 345.00	521.22		101.99	0.90	23 411.00	Sands elected 3
		76.60			- 521.22		37.62	- 0.06		Wardlaw excluded
		2 869.93		3 345.00	0.00		139.61	0.84	23 411.00	
		16.90					12.24	0.03		Sands' surplus distributed
		2 886.83		3 345.00			151.85	0.87	23 411.00	
		325.00					112.00			Le Fevre part excluded
		3 211.83		3 345.00			263.85	0.87	23 411.00	McKendrick elected 4
		188.16					110.34	- 0.08		Le Fevre excluded
		3 399.99		3 345.00			374.19	0.79	23 411.00	Soward elected 5
							39.71	0.02		McKendrick's surplus distributed
		3 399.99		3 345.00			413.90	0.81	23 411.00	
		- 54.99					13.31	0.01		Soward's surplus distributed
		3 345.00		3 345.00			427.21	0.82	23 411.00	Norton elected 6

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Polling closed at 10am 27 October 2009

Returning Officer: Mrs Suzie Rogers

Mayor

Declarations admitted: 24122

Formal Votes: 23840

Ballot paper adjustment: 19

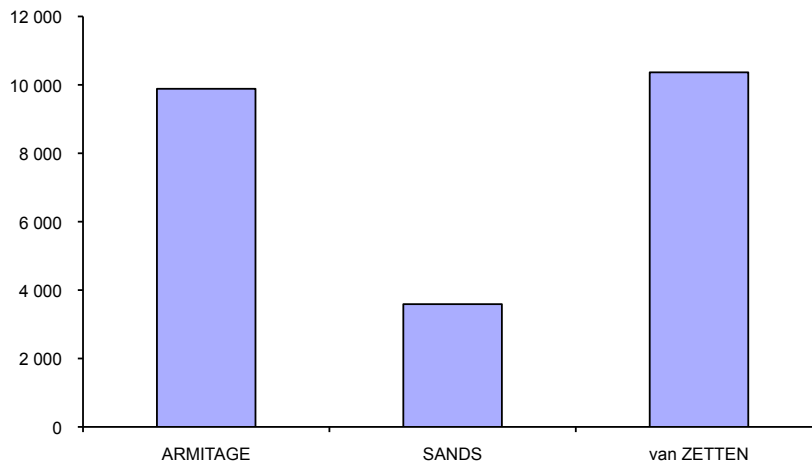
Informal ballot papers: 263

Total ballot papers: 24103

Informality rate: 1.09%

		Candidates			Exhausted	Total Votes	Absolute Majority	Remarks
		ARMITAGE	SANDS	van ZETTEN				
Count 1	Progress Total	9 885	3 589	10 366	0	23 840	11 921	First preferences
Count 2	Votes transferred	1 834	-3 589	1 356	399			Sands Excluded
	Progress Total	11 719	0	11 722	399	23 840	11 721	van ZETTEN Elected

2009 Launceston City Mayor election - first preferences



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Polling closed at 10am 27 October 2009

Returning Officer: Mrs Suzie Rogers

Deputy Mayor

Declarations admitted: 24122

Formal Votes: 23696

Ballot paper adjustment: 17

Informal ballot papers: 409

Total ballot papers: 24105

Informality rate: 1.70%

		Candidates			Exhausted	Total Votes	Absolute Majority	Remarks
		BALL	NORTON	NOTT				
Count 1	Progress Total	8 940	5 591	9 165	0	23 696	11 849	First preferences
Count 2	Votes transferred	1 955	-5 591	2 947	689			Norton Excluded
	Progress Total	10 895	0	12 112	689	23 696	11 504	NOTT Elected

2009 Launceston City Deputy Mayor election - first preferences

