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The Newsletter

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And the Winner is...

Curt Phillips!



Nominators: Randy Byers (US), Ulrika O'Brien (US), John Purcell (US), Claire Brialey (UK), Pat Charnock (UK).

The Results

100 votes were cast in North America and 39 votes in Europe, with one extra vote from the rest of the world. These raised a total of \$1187.68 in North America and £266 in Europe.

The results of the first-place voting can be seen in the following table. The vote of the fan from the

rest of the world has been folded into the results from North America to preserve the anonymity of the vote.

The Voting Breakdown

	N. America	Europe	Total
Brad & Cindy Foster	31	14	45
Curt Phillips	54	21	75
Randy Smith	15	2	17
No Preference	0	2	2
Total	100	39	139

Curt Phillips won with a clear majority of the first preference votes.

The 20% rule meant that each qualifying candidate required at least 20 votes in North America and 7 votes in Europe ('no preference' was not included when calculating these numbers).

The Supporters/Voter List

Europe: Alan Dorey, Alison Scott, Cardinal Cox, Caroline Mullan, Christina Lake, Claire Brialey, Colin Harris, Dave Haddock, David Langford, Douglas Spencer, Fred Smith, Harry Bell, Ian Millsted, James Bacon, James Shields, Jan van't Ent, Jim Linwood, John Coxon, John Dallman, John Nielsen-Hall, Keith Freeman, Knud Larn, Lizzit, Mark Plummer, Mike Meara, Misha Sumra, Omega, Pat Charnock, Pete Young, Peter Sullivan, Rob Jackson, Ron Gemmell, Roy Kettle, Sandra Bond, Steve Glover, Sue Edwards, Vincent Docherty, Wendy Freeman, and Yvonne Rowse.

Tommy Ferguson's vote arrived just fractionally too late so was not counted.

North America: Allen Baum, Andrew Porter, Arnie Katz, Art Widner, Arthur Hlavaty, Ben Yalow, Bill Burns, Bobbie Farey, Brenda Dupont, Catherine Crockett, Chris Garcia, Colin Hinz, Curt Phillips, Cuyler "Ned" Brooks, David Gallaher, David O'Neill, David Schroth, Dennis Lien, Dennis Virzi, Diana Thayer, Douglas Faunt, Ed Scarbrough, Elaine Stiles, Elinor Busby, Eric Davin, Frederick Lerner, G. Patrick Molloy, Gary

Mattingly, Gay Haldeman, Geri Sullivan, Glenn Glazer, Guy Lillian, Hal O'Brien, Hope Liebowitz, Ian Stockdale, Jack Calvert, Jacqueline Monahan, James F. Hudson, Jay Kinney, Jeanne Bowman, Jeffrey Haynie, Jerry Kaufman, Jim Caughran, Joel Zakem, John D. Berry, John Moore, John Purcell, John Wesley Hardin, Joseph Siclari, Joyce Katz, June Moffatt, Katrina Templeton, Kevin Standlee, Lenny Bailes, Liz Phillips, Luke McGuff, Mark Olson, Martin Wooster, Mary Burns, Michael Kingsley, Mike Glyer, Mike McInerney, Milt Stevens, Murray Moore, Nic Farey, Pat Virzi, Patricia Williams King, Peggy Rae Sapienza, Priscilla Olson, R. Laurraine Tutihasi, Randal Smith, Randy Byers, Real Musgrave, Rebecca Haynie, Rich Coad, Rich McAllister, Richard Brandt, Richard Dengrove, Richard Krauss, Robert Lichtman, Robert W. Jennings, Ron Salomon, Ronald Oakes, Sara Felix, Scott Zrubek, Shelby Vick, Sheryl Birkhead, Spike, Steve Fahnstalk, Steve Stiles, Steven Silver, Suzanne Tompkins, Teddy Harvia, Tom Becker, Tom Feller, Tom Veal, Tracy Benton, Ulrika O'Brien, and William Plott.

Rest of the World: Clare McDonald.

So Long, Farewell!

I wish to thank all of the extremely generous voters who took part in the race for the 2014 Worldcon (Loncon 3). Donations alone approached \$1200.00* USD/NA, and helped to make it possible – along with proceeds from four auctions – to pass on a fund that reflects a surplus of \$500 over the amount I received at the beginning of this adventure. Curt will be awash in Magners and stout, scones and pasties; it couldn't happen to a nicer guy. Now if you'll excuse me, I have a check to write. –JM (US)

*Top Five TAFF 2014 Voter/Donation amounts:

Peggy Rae Sapienza – \$100.00
James F. Hudson – \$75.00
Rebecca/Jeffrey Haynie – \$50.00
Pat/Dennis Virzi – \$49.95
Clare McDonald – \$30.00



The Fan Fund is safe...honest!

Best Laid Plans

Now, about that trip report...It's about 80% completed and will be finished by the end of July. Yes, I *know* I said it would be ready *before* 2014, but my treadmill never seemed to slow down. Now, it's time to jump off and write. –JM (US)

A Worthy Winner

The results were announced only a couple of days ago and already we've been bombarded by an abundance of messages from Curt enthusing about Loncon 3, the retro Hugos and all manner of TAFF related curiosity. It feels such a privilege for me to be a part of an institution that can bring such joy.

This year was an exceptionally fine race with 3 remarkable candidates. All of whom would have been worthy TAFF winners. Brad and Cindy Foster have already mentioned the possibility of running again and I sincerely hope that Randy Smith will consider it too.

The only downside of Curt winning is that it heralds the departure of Jacq as co-administrator. She is an absolute delight to work with. She's hard working, reliable and oodles of fun. Fortunately she stays with us for a little bit longer as Curt gets to make the trip and return to North America before he takes on the role of administrator. –JM (UK)

Curt Speaks

"I thank all who supported TAFF by voting this year no matter how you voted. Voting at all is the important part. Well done ya'll! But I particularly want to thank all those who worked so hard on my behalf, Randy Byers, Claire Brialey, Pat Charnock, Ulrika O'Brien, and John Purcell. Much more gushing in the trip report, I promise. Thanks to my boss, and my managers at work for understanding my position and working with me to make it possible for me to go, and to Jim Mowatt and Jacqueline Monahan for the administration process (though I'm hardly through with either of you guys yet!) Expect lots of emails that start, 'how do I ...' in the next couple of years."

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