

## SOUTHERN FANDOM PRESS ALLIANCE EBOBOO POLL & BALLOT RESULTS 2003

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Sixteen egoboo ballots and seventeen OE ballots were returned.

**Let's tally the more important OE Election first:**

**Sheila Strickland got eighteen votes on seventeen ballots, if I count the one write-in on a ballot with the Strickland box already checked. Case closed. Congratulations, Sheila. And let me be the first to thank you for taking on the job.**

This year's SFPA presidential inauguration will happen at nine in the morning a week from today, at Starbucks, over a decaf, low-fat, double-venti, triple-caramel latte, with an extra shot. (Those less aculturated to the Pacific Northwest can drink the archaic "coffee".)

But you ask, "who?" Just wait. Or skip to the last page.

We'll start with the usual tallies:

Zine		Comments By	
JCopeland	72	JCopeland	68
Lillian	64	Lillian	67
Brown	63	Brown	53
Brooks	56	Dengrove	50
Robe	55	Brooks	48
Gelb	55	Gelb	44
Reinhardt	52	Reinhardt	43
Lynch	50	Lynch	43
Hughes	48	Robe	43
weber	47	Schlosser	42
Hlavaty	46	weber	38
Schlosser	46	Strickland	38
LCopeland	44	Metcalf	38
Feller	44	Hughes	36
Dengrove	43	Feller	36
Strickland	43	Ackerman	34
Ackerman	42	LCopeland	33
Cleary	38	Hlavaty	33
Metcalf	38	Wells	29
Larson	38	Cleary	27
Wells	33	Larson	25
Markstein	25	Markstein	23

## Comment Hooks

Lillian	59
JCopeland	58
Brown	48
Robe	46
Gelb	45
Dengrove	44
Lynch	43
Hlavaty	43
Reinhardt	42
Brooks	41
Strickland	40
weber	39
Schlosser	37
Hughes	37
Ackerman	34
Feller	33
Metcalf	31
LCopeland	29
Larson	29
Wells	28
Cleary	27
Markstein	22

## Natter

JCopeland	67
Lillian	58
Brown	56
Gelb	53
Robe	52
Lynch	49
Hlavaty	48
Dengrove	45
Hughes	44
LCopeland	43
Ackerman	42
Reinhardt	40
weber	40
Strickland	39
Larson	36
Schlosser	36
Wells	33
Brooks	33
Feller	33
Cleary	30
Markstein	26
Metcalf	25

## Visual/Design

JCopeland	59
Brown	59
Hughes	57
Lillian	51
weber	41
Gelb	41
Cleary	37
Robe	37
Reinhardt	35
Brooks	35
Larson	32
Lynch	31
Ackerman	29
LCopeland	29
Dengrove	28
Hlavaty	27
Strickland	26
Schlosser	26
Feller	24
Metcalf	23
Markstein	16
Wells	14

## Good Guy/Gal

JCopeland	59
LCopeland	56
Lillian	53
Wells	53
Feller	52
Ackerman	49
Lynch	48
Strickland	47
Robe	47
Brooks	47
Gelb	47
Schlosser	47
Cleary	46
Larson	44
Brown	44
Metcalf	43
Reinhardt	43
Dengrove	42
Hughes	42
Hlavaty	42
weber	38
Markstein	21

## Roll Your Own

LCopeland	35	Sucker OE; Welcome to the chain gang award.
As long as they leave something; Best beany; Most zippers award; No more "I can't collate tonight, honey, I have a headache" excuses; Space pirate; Text mistress; latest expert on hospital food.		
JCopeland	30	Larson
Best OE!; Empty Nester; Going, going, gone award; Improved relations with Post Office; Never quotes me; Text master.		20
Reinhardt	25	Horse whisperer; Mommy, Mommy, Mommy!; Most likely to succeed; Two by two.
Edgar Lice Burroughs; Hanky Pankier; KTQT; She of too many names; Where are those WMDs?.		
Lynch	25	Gelb
Even closer to Bush than Dengrove?; Hugo Boss; Hugo hoarder; Lynchpin of the APA; Slan.		20
Robe	25	Marlins 3 games, Giants 2 games; On the road again?; SMOFette; Things to do in Slanville when you're sane.
I must warn you, my hands are lethal weapons; Mojito master; Painted Love; Son of on the road again?; Tennessee Seceedo.		
Lillian	25	Dengrove
Julius Schwartz knows his birthday; L.A.wyer; Most likely to secede; Wet blanket award; looking for that tornado to take him to Oz.		15
Ackerman	20	Librarian at the Earth's core; Nearest to Bush?; Our man in DC.
Eve of construction; Southernmost pirate; Yo ho ho and a stocking with runs; www.firezook.com.		
Brooks	20	Hughes
Readerly; SFPA's only AARP member; Southernmost shed; The Netherlands.		15
Strickland	20	Colors only; Printmaster; Where'd he go now?.
Long live the NEW OE!; New OE; Poor		
		Hlavaty
		15
		Arthur Conan Hlavaty; Force of one; Marlins 4 games, Yankees 2 games.
		Metcalf
		15
		Commentator; Had Veal; Yosemite Norman.
		Markstein
		15
		True believer; WDC&S contributor; Yosemite Don.
		Brown
		10
		Comic genius; Southernmost zine.
		Schlosser
		10
		East of Eden, West of Guam; Golf Pro.
		weber
		10
		Southernmost Fairport fan; Tru Phan.
		Feller
		10
		Output twin; Tom Tyler's luck.
		Cleary
		10
		Clear ether; Cutest knees.
		Wells
		5
		Eschew Ossification!.

## Zine of the year

The best single zine of the year, worth an extra five points:

"It's Because We're Proud of You" by JCopeland

The vote breakdown:

JCopeland: It's Because We're Proud of You (3)

Lillian: Spiritus Mundi 195 (1)

Brown: Oblio 144 (1)

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Wells: Cow Drifters... (1)

JCopeland: All the Quotes (1)

## Best Series

The on-going effort counterpart to Zine of the Year. First place gets 10 points, second place gets 5 points.

First best on-going title: Spiritus Mundi

Second best on-going title: Jeff's zines

Vote totals:

Lillian (8)

JCopeland (6)

Brown (5)

Gelb (3)

Robe (1)

Brooks (1)

Hughes (1)

Dengrove (1)

## Rule 4 Quiz

Strickland	15
JCopeland	15
Gelb	13
Lynch	13
Brooks	11
LCopeland	10
Reinhardt	9
Schlosser	9
*Brown	7
*Cleary	5
*Lillian	5
*Wells	5

The question of the day was "who is this guy?" The answer is John LeCarré's original hero, George Smiley. The quotes are the first appearance of Smiley in each of six novels.

Given the existence of Amazon's new feature that allows searching the full text of many books – which they introduced *after* since the last mailing – the quiz was a cakewalk for some of you. Given Google, others found it equally simple.

Though I awarded points for wild guesses (those are the points with bullets above), none of them made me laugh out loud, so I've not recounted any of them.

The right sources were:

(230) 'Sawley, in fact, declared at the wedding that "Sercomb was mated to a bullfrog in a sou'wester"'

— *Call for the Dead*, 1961

(231) 'She used to think of him as the most forgettable man she had ever met; short and plump, with heavy spectacles and thinning hair, he was at first sight the very prototype of an unsuccessful middle-aged bachelor in a sedentary occupation.'

— *A Murder of Quality*, 1962

(232) 'Standing at the newspaper kiosk, deep in a copy of the *Continental Daily Mail*, stood a small, frog-like figure in glasses, an earnest, worried little man. He looked like a civil servant. Something like that.'

— *The Spy Who Came In from the Cold*, 1963

(233) "Small, podgy, and at best middle-aged, he was by appearance one of London's meek who do not inherit the earth. His legs were short, his gait anything but agile, his dress costly, ill-fitting, and extremely wet. His overcoat, which had a hint of widowhood about it, was of that black loose weave which is designed to retain moisture. Either the sleeves were too long or his arms were too short, for ... the cuffs all but concealed his fingers. For reasons of vanity, he wore no hat, believing rightly that hats made him ridiculous."

— *Tinker, Tailor, Soldier, Spy*, 1974

(234) "He was tubby, and in small ways hopelessly unassertive. A natural shyness made him from time to time pompous, and to men of Martindale's flamboyance his unobtrusiveness acted as a standing reproach."

— *The Honourable Schoolboy*, 1977

(235) "The summons came to Smiley that same night, and it is a curious fact, since he had an overall impression of not sleeping at all well during this later period of his life, that the phone had to ring a long time beside the bed before he answered it."

— *Smiley's People*, 1979

## TOTALS

* JCopeland	433
* Lillian	392
* Brown	355
* Gelb	323
* Robe	305
* Lynch	302
* Brooks	296
* Reinhardt	289
* Hughes	289
* Dengrove	277
* Strickland	273
* LCopeland	269
* Schlosser	268
* Ackerman	255
weber	243
Hlavaty	239
* Cleary	235
Feller	222
* Wells	220
Larson	204
Metcalf	198
Markstein	133

So, there it is again, folks. For the fourth year in a row, I win the egoboo poll. For the first time, I get to actually claim the office of president, and all rights, etc, pertaining thereto, yadda, yadda, yadda.

In all seriousness, though, thank you. I raise my latte southward in salute.

