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Now that the 1986 TAFF race has concluded my final duty, other than passing on all European TAFF monies and material to my successor, is to list the voting breakdowns and to announce a winner. Those standing this year were Simon Ounsley, Judith Hanna and Greg Pickersgill, listed by their initials in the tables below, with voters having the further options of writing in the candidate of their choice or of voting for funds to be held over - listed as HOF, or Hold Over Funds, in the tables below. While fans not resident in either Europe or North America can vote in TAFF races their ballots are not used in reckoning the 20% minimum of the votes cast on each side of the Atlantic that every candidate has to secure and have been listed separately. In this instance these were all from Australia and were collected by the US Administrators, Patrick and Teresa Nielsen Hayden. First place votes were as follows:

FIRST BALLOT	SO	JH	GP	HOF	WRITE-INS	TOTALS
EUROPE	37	16	48	2	1	104
N.AMERICA	44	40	49	-	3	136
AUSTRALIA	3	5	1	-	-	9
TOTALS	84	61	98	2	4	249

The write-ins were for Ken Slater, Terry Jeeves, and the Yorkshire Ripper in North America, and for Woofie Bear over here. No-one captured a majority of the votes cast so we needed to go to a second ballot, and since both Judith and the write-ins failed to poll 20% of the total vote on each side of the Atlantic theirs were the votes that were re-allocated according to the second place preferences listed on the ballots. Thus:

SECOND BALLOT	SO	GP	HOF	NO PREF.	TOTALS
EUROPE	46	52	5	1	104
N.AMERICA	62	70	2	2	136
AUSTRALIA	6	3	-	-	9
FINAL TOTALS	114	125	7	3	249

This time a candidate did secure a clear majority (ie. more than half of the 249 votes cast) making a third ballot unnecessary. Therefore, it's my duty and my pleasure to

announce that GREG PICKERSGILL will be the TAFF representative at this summer's Worldcon in Atlanta and that he now assumes the role of European Administrator until TAFF next sends someone from Europe to North America. The 'no pref.' column in the previous table lists the number of re-allocated ballots where no preference was given in second place. Votes were cast by the following eligible resident European fans:

Arnold AKIEN, Graham ANDREWS, Paul ANNIS, Hazel ASHWORTH, Mal ASHWORTH, Chris ATKINSON, Chris BAILEY, Harry BELL, Tony BERRY, Denis BRIDOUX, Robert BROWN, Avedon CAROL, Vinç CLARKE, Richard COOPER, Arthur CRUTTENDEN, John DALLMAN, Mike DICKINSON, Alan DOREY, Rochelle DOREY, Lilian EDWARDS, Malcolm EDWARDS, Holger ELIASSON, Helen ELING, Stan ELING, Dave ELLIS, Mike FORD, Jürgen FORSBERG, Susan FRANCIS, Keith FREEMAN, Abi FROST, Paul "Gamma" GAMBLE, Ron GEMMELL, Rob GREGG, Jackie GRESHAM, David GRIFFIN, Michael HAMILTON, Kaj HARJU, Alun HARRIES, Chuck HARRIS, Joy HIBBERT, Malcolm HODKIN, Dave HODSON, Dave HOLMES, Anders HOLSTROM, Gordon HUNDLEY, Tim ILLINGWORTH, Rob JACKSON, Linda JAMES, Phil JAMES, John JARROLD, Kate JEARY, Roz KAVENEY, Debbi KERR, Paul KINCAID, Christina LAKE, Ken LAKE, Jan LAKE, Dave LANGFORD, Hazel LANGFORD, Ethel LINDSAY, Pete LYON, Krsto A.MAZURANIC, Caroline MULLAN, Joseph NICHOLAS, Anne PAGE, Rog PEYTON, Bernie PEEK, Linda PICKERSGILL, Simon POLLEY, Maureen PORTER, Dave PRINGLE, Nigel E. RICHARDSON, Tony RICKERBY, Jimmy ROBERTSON, Roger ROBINSON, Andrew ROSE, Dave ROWLEY, Mike SCANTLEBURY, Bob SHAW, D.M.SHERWOOD, Cas SKELTON, Paul SKELTON, Diana SMITH, Kev SMITH, Kate SOLOMON, Ylva SPÅNGBERG, Helen STARKEY, John STEWARD, Alex STEWART, Chris SUSLOWICZ, Peter (Fred) THOMPSON, Arthur "ATom" THOMSON, Martin TUDOR, Paul VINCENT, Ashley WATKINS, Pam WELLS, D.WEST, Peter WESTON, Owen WHITEOAK, Madeleine WILLIS, Walt WILLIS, Dave WOOD.....

Sent to the North American Administrators but included in the European tally were votes from: *Roelof GOUDRIAAN and Lynne Ann MORSE.*

My thanks to all those who voted this time out and my commiserations to Simon and Judith. Money collected from votes on this side of the Atlantic was £175.50 and the sum in the coffers of TAFF-Europe currently stands at £1236, some £9 less than the sum handed on to me by my predecessor, Kev Smith. I'm reasonably pleased about this since, being to a Worldcon on the West Coast, mine was a fairly expensive TAFF trip and since there's actually another £35 due TAFF that I haven't yet collected. No doubt Greg will make collecting this one of his first priorities and will list those who donated it in his first TAFF newsheet.

THE NEXT RACE: It may seem a little early to be gearing up for this already, but in fact it's not. Not everyone got to see P&T NH's TAFFLUVIA #2 but in it were the schedules we set not only for the last race but for the next. And they are:

Nominations open:	June 15th, 1986) 2 months
Nominations close:	August 15th, 1986)
Ballots available:	September 6th, 1986) 4 months
Voting deadline:	December 31st, 1986)

It will be up to whoever wins to decide whether they wish to attend the Eastercon or the British Worldcon. In the meantime if there are any North Americans you particularly want to see at one of our conventions now's the time to start thinking about them standing.

All future donations to, or enquiries about, TAFF should in future be addressed to the new European Administrator, Greg Pickersgill, 7A Lawrence Rd., South Ealing, London W5.
.....Rob Hansen 18th May 1986.