



Issue 6: Friday, 31 July Afternoon

## Site Selection Results

The results of the voting for the 2022 Worldcon were:

FIRST BALLOT	Mail-in	Emailed	Total	
Chicago in 2022	1	516	<b>517</b>	<b>winner</b>
Jeddicon 2022	0	33	<b>33</b>	
None of the above	0	6	<b>6</b>	
Antarctica 2022	0	1	<b>1</b>	
Bil Lawhorn's zeppelin hangar	0	1	<b>1</b>	
Denver	0	1	<b>1</b>	
Free Hong Kong	0	9	<b>9</b>	
Moderately expensive Hong Kong	0	1	<b>1</b>	
Kirkjubaejarklaustur, Iceland	0	1	<b>1</b>	
Malmö, Sweden	0	1	<b>1</b>	
Mariehamn, Åland Islands, Finland	0	1	<b>1</b>	
Marik City on Planet Marik in House Marik	0	1	<b>1</b>	
New Zealand	0	1	<b>1</b>	
Old Zealand	0	1	<b>1</b>	
Any country with an acceptable human rights record	0	1	<b>1</b>	
Total with preference	1	575	<b>576</b>	
<b>Needed to win</b>			<b>289</b>	
No preference	1	10	<b>11</b>	
Total valid votes	2	585	<b>587</b>	
Invalid votes		11		
Spoiled votes		1		

Chicago won on the first ballot with a total of 587 valid votes cast, of which 576 expressed a preference.

A further 53 tokens were sold, but no matching ballots were received.

Thanks to the people who helped in the process in these difficult times, including Colette Fozard, Marguerite Smith, Perry Middlemiss, Mark Linnemann, Lorain Clark, Jannie Shea, Henry Balen, Pat Molloy, and Darusha Wehm.

**Add your newsletter items to #log-entries**

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Many thanks to CoNZealand for adding dedicated Reading Rooms in Discord to go with the Zoom Rooms! ♥

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Thank you to everyone who helped, donated items, and who came along and bid in the Fan Funds auction. We raised 2190\$NZD for GUFF, TAFF, DUFF and FFANZ. You can still help the fan funds by going to <https://virtual.conzealand.nz/exhibits/displays/fan-fund-auction-road-show/> and buying trip reports and other items that we have multiples of.

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I was today old when I learned at the Ask a Scientist panel that duck penises are very long (up to half their body length) and burst "explosively" from inside their bodies into the "complicated" female duck vagina. Also I learned that a master glass blower at Yale blew glass replicas of duck vaginas to facilitate the study of duck genitalia, because the duck penises are so forceful that they exploded right through the silicone molds. Also, like deer antlers, they grow seasonally and wither away after mating season. And people ask me why I like going to science fiction conventions.

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We've put up more info on how to watch replays of programme items, events and the film festivals on The Fantasy Network's app. Sessions are available for Wednesday 29 July & Thursday 30 July. More sessions from Weds and Thurs are also available for rewatching on our virtual site.

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At the Daily Briefing today:  
"So - this Daily Briefing - is it general gossip, what's going on in the world, or what's going on in the WorldCon?"  
Tom - "Yes."

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For aspiring writers out there, a handy hint that came out of the Writers/Publishers networking session: There is an online ongoing writing conference called the Manuscript Academy - free podcasts, and paid classes/sessions with editors etc.

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Also from the Writers/Publishers networking session: The poetry in the Bulgarian translation of Lord of the Rings is much nicer to read than the original. But then the translator is a better poet than JRR Tolkein was!

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When going round Squid Hall, make sure you check out the suitcases that are dotted around - some interesting destinations listed!

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"I realized a man had designed this character, because the buttons were on the wrong side." - Kat Clay, on making up her Masquerade costume.

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