

TAFF TALK 1

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Yes, I know it's rather late, but nonetheless I've now got the full list of European voters and final results of the 1977 TAFF race. Roy Tackett, the American administrator, has already published the American details in *The 1977 TAFF Report*. Herewith the full results:

	<u>1st Place Votes</u>		(2nd)		(3rd)		(4th)	
Peter Roberts	UK: <u>43</u>	US: <u>61</u>	UK: 27	US: 44	UK: 3	US: 10	UK: 1	US: 5
Terry Jeeves	<u>35</u>	<u>54</u>	27	50	4	10	10	3
Peter Presford	<u>2</u>	<u>10</u>	4	10	25	67	31	17
Hold Over Funds	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	17	12	35	21	14	64

The leading candidate received a majority of the votes, so second preferences were not called upon. Norman Shorrocks received one write-in vote.

The following fans voted via Peter Weston, the European administrator. Many thanks to them and to all contributors to TAFF.

Ted Ball	Eddie Jones	Bernie Peek
Harry Bell	Marsha Jones	Tom Perry
Ron Bennett	Tom Jones	Greg Pickersgill
Eric Bentcliffe	Roy Kettle	John Piggott
Gerald Bishop	Waldemar Kuming (Ger)	Graham Poole
Graham Boak	A.C.Kyle	Chris Priest
Pamela Boal	David Kyle	Keith Richmond
John Brosnan	Ruth Kyle	Geoff Rippington
Ken Bulmer	Dave Langford	Doreen Rogers
Mary Burns (USA)	David Lewis	Phil Rogers
Ramsey Campbell	Ethel Lindsay	Florence Russell
Graham Charnock	Jim Linwood	Bob Shaw
Pat Charnock	Marion Linwood	Ina Shorrocks
Arthur Cruttenden	Hans Loose (Hol)	Norman Shorrocks
Christine Edwards	John Lowe	Paul Skelton
Malcolm Edwards	Peter Mabey	Kevin Smith
Guido Eekhaut (Bel)	Jack Marsh	Steve Sneyd
Graham England	Ian Maule	Philip S.-Payne
David Flint	Janice Maule	Andrew Stephenson
Chris Fowler	Richard McMahon	John Steward
Keith Freeman	Mike Meara	Lars Strandberg (Swe)
Wendy Freeman	Pat Meara	Brian Tawn
David Griffin	Joseph Nicholas	Dave Upton
Ray Harrison	Peter Nicholls	Roger Waddington
Rob Jackson	Per Osterman (Swe)	Keith Walker
Terry Jeeves	Darroll Pardoe	Simone Walsh
Vera Johnson	Ro Pardoe	Don West

The next TAFF trip will bring an American fan over to the 1979 Worldcon in Brighton. Nominations open on October 1st and close on November 30th, 1978; ballots will then be issued and the voting period will last till Easter 1979.

Though it's still some way off, you might care to start thinking about potential candidates and the preliminaries to nominating them; several campaigns have already started and fans may be committing themselves to support candidates, even at this early stage. Prospective TAFF candidates must supply (to Roy Tackett, as American administrator): 1) three American and two European nominators; 2) a platform of 100 words or so; 3) a \$5.00 bond; and 4) a written undertaking to attend the 1979 Worldcon, if elected (barring Acts of God).

My address (as European administrator) is in the colophon; Roy Tackett's (as American administrator) is: 915 Green Valley Rd NW, Albuquerque, NM 87107. Let us know if you want any further information or help regarding TAFF.

Needless to say we're always in need of money and donations (whether from individuals, fan groups, conventions, or other organizations and events) are always welcome.

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There'll be a TAFF auction at Skycon this Easter and if anyone has anything for it, I'd be grateful if they bring it along to the con, have it brought to the con, or (if it's fairly small) post it to me to take to the con. Anything can be sold, including fanzines, books, magazines, and fannish paraphernalia (packets of triffid seeds, old con photos, old con programme books, ancient fan pactsarcds, revealing letters, or what have you) and material can be donated or sold at a fixed or percentage price. I'll even auction off mundane objects - records, books, potted plants - as long as it'll make some money for TAFF. I've got some magazines, fanzines, & books of my own that I'll be selling off at Skycon; the rest is up to you. Thanks.

Meanwhile, in America, Joyce Scrivner (Apt AG3-3, Hatfield Village, Hatfield, PA 19440, USA)(215 368-4697) is collecting material for prospective TAFF auctions at forthcoming conventions (including Boskone, Disclave, Iguanacon, & Philcon). Joyce's plans are quite ambitious and I'd suggest that you contact her if you have any suitable material for auction.

Peter Roberts