## **FFANZ 2017**

The Fan Fund for Australia and New Zealand was created to strengthen the ties between Australian and New Zealand fandom. FFANZ assists fans with travel to the Natcon of the other nation, and assists with as many of the attendant costs of travel as practical, as well as facilitating connections between fans.

This year's FFANZ race is a westward bound one, facilitating travel by a New Zealand fan to the 56<sup>th</sup> Australian Speculative Fiction National Convention, **Continuum XIII - Triskaidekaphilia**, to be held in Melbourne, Victoria, over Queen's Birthday Weekend, 9th-12th June, 2017. It is expected that after the trip the winner takes over as administrator of the fund, engages in fundraising for the fund, and that they promote links between the two fandoms via a trip report or other means.

This year there is one candidate. They have provided a statement to support their candidacy.

## **Lynelle Howell**

Hi, my name is Lynelle Howell and I'm a fan. I've been involved in fandom for over 20 years, being involved where I can, when I see something that needs doing. I've chaired two natcons, was on the concom for another and helped set up SFFANZ (the Science Fiction and Fantasy Association of New Zealand). I have been a sitting member of its board since its inception in 2002 and administered the Association's premier awards, the Sir Julius Vogel Awards (SJVs), for more than 10 years.

When not working at a national level, I'm working with my local club, Phoenix Science Fiction Society, based in Wellington. I am the co-editor (with my husband) of the club magazine, Phoenixine. I'm proud to say that since we took over the publication of the 'xine in 2006 we've won a number of SJVs for best fan publication and services to fandom.

I'm running for FFANZ because I've met a number of Australians during my 20-plus years of organising and attending events and I'd love to meet more. I am also keen to see how NZ conventions differ from those across the Tasman.

Fund of Australia & New Zeal

## Nominated by Norman Cates (NZ) and Donna Maree Hanson (Aus).

All members of Australian and New Zealand fandom are eligible to vote. The voting process contributes to the fundraising, so in order to vote you must pay \$5NZD, \$5AUD or \$5USD. If you wish to pay via direct deposit or Paypal, please **make contact** with the administrator, Dan Rabarts, via email (<a href="mailto:rabarts@gmail.com">rabarts@gmail.com</a>) with a completed Voting Form (below). Postal votes can be sent to FFANZ, c/- 63 Albatross Close, Whitby, Porirua, in New Zealand *or* to David McDonald, FFANZ c/-PO Box 32, Blackburn, Melbourne 3130 in Victoria, Australia. Cheques should be made out to the administrators, David McDonald in Australia *or* Dan Rabarts in New Zealand. Ballots may also be handed directly to any of the Administrators in person.

You may also choose to vote 'Hold over funds' if you think that a delegate should not be selected this year.

If you vote by PayPal there is no need to return a completed Ballot Form. To donate <u>and</u> vote, you can PayPal your donation (minimum NZ \$5) to e-mail address at: <u>rabarts@gmail.com</u>, indicating in the comments field which voting option you support.

Voting concludes Sunday the 9<sup>th</sup> of October, 2016.

## **FFANZ 2017 - VOTING FORM**

Voter's Name:	
Method of payment:	
Cash Direct Deposit Cheque	[ ] [ ]
Please indicate your vote by placing a tick in the box indicating your preferred choice:	
Lynelle Howell Hold over funds	[ ]