

# MRRA Summary of Vote Distribution and Counting, 2024, Macedon Ranges

Information is sourced from VEC 2024 and 2020 election result distribution sheets.

Note: Three candidates were elected on primary votes: Cassy Borthwick in East ward, Dominic Bonanno in South ward and Kate Kendall in West ward. The remaining successful candidates were elected through distribution of preferences.

## East Ward 2024

**Enrolment:** 12,535 [12,211 in 2020]

**Total Votes Counted / Voter Turnout:** 10,719 (85.51% of the total enrolment) [9,120 (78.06% of the total enrolment) in 2020]

**Formal Votes:** 10,288 [9,826 in 2020]

**Informal Votes:** 431 / 4.02% [340 / 3.34% in 2020]

**Quota:** 2,573 (the number of votes each candidate needed to be elected) [2,457 in 2020]

### East ward: Primary (First Preference) Votes (final) - by highest number

Candidate	Primary Vote	%
Borthwick, Cassy	2,837	27.58%
Young, Daniel	2,059	20.01%
Scanlon, Andrew	1,458	14.17%
Bleeck, Henry	1,154	11.22%
Alderton, Dion	1,145	11.13%
Neil, Geoffrey	1,137	11.05%
McKenzie, Andy	498	4.84%
<b>Total Formal Votes</b>	<b>10,288</b>	

### East ward: MRRA Summary of distribution of primary votes and preferences ([see also VEC official 2024 Excel distribution](#))

One candidate achieved a quota on primary votes, and this **ELECTED BORTHWICK** (2,837 votes - 264 more than (surplus to) the quota of 2,573).

- **Borthwick's** surplus (264 votes) was distributed, going to Scanlon (75 / 28.4%), Young (71 / 26.9%), Alderton (51 / 19.3%), Bleeck (24 / 9.1%), McKenzie (22 / 8.3%) and Neil (18 / 6.8%).

*At this point, with BORTHWICK elected, continuing candidates (votes held) were: McKenzie (520); Neil (1155); Bleeck (1178); Alderton (1196); Scanlon (1533); Young (2130).*

As no candidate achieved a quota, **McKenzie** (520 votes) was excluded.

- **McKenzie's** 498 primary votes went to Young (129 / 25.9%), Alderton (127 / 25.5%), Scanlon (107 / 21.5%), Bleeck (75 / 15.1%) and Neil (60 / 12.0%)

*At this point, with BORTHWICK elected, continuing candidates (votes held) were: Neil (1215); Bleeck (1253); Alderton (1323); Scanlon (1640). Young (2259).*

- The additional 22 votes **McKenzie** received from the distribution of Borthwick's surplus went to Alderton (7 / 31.8%), Scanlon (6 / 27.3%), Young (3 / 13.6%), Bleeck and Neil (2 each / 9.1% each).

*At this point, with BORTHWICK elected, continuing candidates (votes held) were: Neil (1217); Bleeck (1255); Alderton (1330); Scanlon (1646); Young (2262).*

As no candidate achieved a quota, **Neil** (1217 votes) was excluded.

- **Neil's** 1137 primary votes went to Bleeck (321 / 28.2%), Scanlon (280 / 24.6%), Alderton (273 / 24.0%) and Young (263 / 23.1%).

*At this point, with BORTHWICK elected, continuing candidates (votes held) were: Bleeck (1576); Alderton (1603); Scanlon (1926); Young (2525).*

- The additional 60 preferences **Neil** received from McKenzie went to Bleeck and Scanlon (23 each / 38.3% each), Young (9 / 15.0%) and Alderton (5 / 8.3%).

*At this point, with BORTHWICK elected, continuing candidates (votes held) were: Bleeck (1599); Alderton (1608); Scanlon (1949); Young (2534).*

- The additional 20 votes **Neil** received from Borthwick's surplus and McKenzie went to Scanlon (7 / 35.0%), Bleeck (6 / 30.0%) and Young and Alderton (3 each / 15.0% each).

*At this point, with BORTHWICK elected, continuing candidates (votes held) were: Bleeck (1605); Alderton (1611); Scanlon (1956); Young (2537).*

As no candidate achieved a quota, **Bleeck** (1605 votes) was excluded.

- **Bleeck's** 1154 primary votes went to Scanlon (677 / 58.7%), Young (280 / 24.3%) and Alderton (197 / 17.1%).
- This distribution **ELECTED YOUNG** (2817 votes, 244 votes more than (surplus to) the quota of 2573) and **ELECTED SCANLON** (2633 votes, 60 votes more than (surplus to) the quota of 2573). Counting stopped.
- The remaining candidate, Alderton, finished with 1808 votes (1009 and 825 votes fewer than Young and Scanlon respectively).

## South Ward 2024

**Enrolment:** 13,698 [13,048 in 2020]

**Total Votes Counted / Voter Turnout:** 11,620 (84.83% of the total enrolment) [11,159 (85.52% of the total enrolment) in 2020]

**Formal Votes:** 11,278 [10,772 in 2020]

**Informal Votes:** 342 (2.94%) [387 (3.47%) in 2020]

**Quota:** 2,820 (the number of votes needed to be elected) [2,694 in 2020]

### South ward: Primary (First Preference) Votes (final) - by highest number

Candidate	Primary Vote	%
Bonanno, Dominic	3,084	27.35%
Walker, Christine	2,447	21.70%
Joseph, Alison	2,361	20.93%
Guthrie, Rob	2,168	19.22%
Letchford, John	1,218	10.80%
<b>Total Formal Votes</b>	<b>11,278</b>	

**South ward: MRRA Summary of distribution of primary votes and preferences** ([see also VEC official 2024 Excel distribution](#))

One candidate achieved a quota on primary votes, and this **ELECTED BONANNO** (3084 votes - 264 more than (surplus to) the quota of 2820).

- **Bonanno's** surplus (264 votes) was distributed, going to Walker (131 / 49.6%), Joseph (46 / 17.4%), Guthrie (43 / 16.3%), and Letchford (41 / 15.5%).

*At this point, with BONANNO elected, continuing candidates (votes held) were: Letchford (1259), Guthrie (2211), Joseph (2407), and Walker (2578).*

As no candidate achieved a quota, **Letchford** (1259 votes) was excluded.

- **Letchford's** 1218 primary votes went to Guthrie (513 / 42.1%), Joseph (362 / 29.7%) and Walker (343 / 28.2%).

*At this point, with BONANNO elected, continuing candidates (votes held) were: Guthrie (2724), Joseph (2769) and Walker (2921).*

- This distribution **ELECTED WALKER** (2921 votes, 101 more than (surplus to) the quota of 2820).

*At this point, with BONANNO and WALKER elected, continuing candidates (votes held) were: Guthrie (2724) and Joseph (2769).*

- **Letchford's** 41 votes received from Bonanno's surplus were distributed and went to Guthrie (21 / 51.2%) and Joseph (20 / 48.8%).

*At this point, with BONANNO and WALKER elected, continuing candidates (votes held) were: Guthrie (2745) and Joseph (2789).*

As no candidate achieved a quota, **Walker's surplus** was distributed.

- **Walker's** 101 surplus votes went to Guthrie (34 / 33.7%) and Joseph (66 / 65.3%).
- This distribution **ELECTED JOSEPH** (2855 votes, 35 more than (surplus to) the quota of 2820). Counting stopped.
- The remaining candidate, Guthrie, finished with 2779 votes (76 votes fewer than Joseph).

## West Ward 2024

**Enrolment:** 12,936 [12,809 in 2020]

**Total Votes Counted / Voter Turnout:** 10,885 (84.15% of the total enrolment) [10,787 (84.21% of the total enrolment) in 2020]

**Formal Votes:** 10,450 [10,430 in 2020]

**Informal Votes:** 435 (4.00%) [357 (3.31%) in 2020]

**Quota:** 2,613 (the number of votes needed to be elected) [2,608 in 2020]

### West ward: Primary (First Preference) Votes (final) - by highest number

Candidate	Primary Vote	%
Kendall, Kate	4,040	38.66%
Anderson, Jennifer	2,318	22.18%
Pearce, Janet	1,288	12.33%
Keats, Callum	1,182	11.31%
Hayman, Karan	414	3.96%
Bakes, Rob	411	3.93%
Haintz, Andrea	407	3.89%
Templeton, Ryan	390	3.73%
<b>Total Formal Votes</b>	<b>10,450</b>	

### West ward: *MRRRA Summary of distribution of primary votes and preferences* ([see also VEC official 2024 Excel distribution](#))

One candidate achieved a quota on primary votes, and this **ELECTED KENDALL** (4040 votes - 1427 more than (surplus to) the quota of 2613).

- **Kendall's** surplus (1427 votes) was distributed, going to Haintz (536 / 37.6%), Pearce (205 / 14.4%), Anderson (203 / 14.2%), Keats (196 / 13.7%), Hayman (131 / 9.2%), Templeton (119 / 8.3%) and Bakes (34 / 2.4%).
- *This distribution moved Templeton ahead of Bakes, and Haintz ahead of Bakes and Hayman.*

*At this point, with KENDALL elected, continuing candidates (votes held) were: Bakes (445); Templeton (509); Hayman (545); Haintz (943); Keats (1378); Pearce (1493); Anderson (2521).*

As no candidate achieved a quota, **Bakes** (445 votes) was excluded.

- **Bakes'** 411 primary votes went to Anderson (134 / 32.6%); Hayman (97 / 23.6%); Templeton (67 / 16.3%); Pearce (52 / 12.6%); Keats (34 / 8.3%); Haintz (27 / 6.6%).

*At this point, with KENDALL elected, continuing candidates (votes held) were: Templeton (576); Hayman (642); Haintz (970); Keats (1412); Pearce (1545); Anderson (2655).*

- This distribution **ELECTED ANDERSON** (2655 votes, 42 votes more than (surplus to) the quota of 2613).
- **Bakes'** additional 34 votes from Kendall's surplus went to Templeton (8 / 23.5%); Hayman and Haintz (7 each / 20.6% each); Keats (6 / 17.6%); Pearce (5 / 14.7%).

*At this point, with KENDALL and ANDERSON elected, continuing candidates (votes held) were: Templeton (584); Hayman (649); Haintz (977); Keats (1418); Pearce (1550).*

As no candidate achieved a quota, **Anderson's surplus** was distributed.

- **Anderson's** surplus (42 votes) went to Pearce (20 / 47.6%), Hayman (9 / 21.4%), Haintz (6 / 14.3%), Keats and Templeton (2 each / 4.8% each).

*At this point, with KENDALL and ANDERSON elected, continuing candidates (votes held) were: Templeton (586); Hayman (658); Haintz (983); Keats (1420); Pearce (1570).*

As no candidate achieved a quota, **Templeton** (586 votes) was excluded.

- **Templeton's** 390 primary votes went to Pearce (130 / 33.3%); Keats (105 / 26.9%); Haintz (100 / 25.6%); Hayman (55 / 14.1%).

*At this point, with KENDALL and ANDERSON elected, continuing candidates (votes held) were: Hayman (713); Haintz (1083); Keats (1525); Pearce (1700).*

- The additional 67 preferences **Templeton** had received from Bakes went to Pearce (32 / 47.8%); Hayman (19 / 28.4%); Haintz (9 / 13.4%); Keats (7 / 10.4%).

*At this point, with KENDALL and ANDERSON elected, continuing candidates (votes held) were: Hayman (732); Haintz (1092); Keats (1532); Pearce (1732).*

- The additional 127 votes **Templeton** had received from Kendall's surplus went to Haintz (48 / 37.8%); Pearce (37 / 29.1%); Keats (25 / 19.7%); Hayman (17 / 13.4%).

*At this point, with KENDALL and ANDERSON elected, continuing candidates (votes held) were: Hayman (749); Haintz (1140); Keats (1557); Pearce (1769).*

- The additional 2 votes **Templeton** had received from Anderson's surplus went to Pearce (1 / 50.0%), and 1 vote exhausted (gain).

*At this point, with KENDALL and ANDERSON elected, continuing candidates (votes held) were: Hayman (749); Haintz (1140); Keats (1557); Pearce (1770).*

As no candidate achieved a quota, **Hayman** (749 votes) was excluded.

- **Hayman's** 414 primary votes went to Pearce (194 / 46.9%); Haintz (146 / 35.3%); Keats (74 / 17.9%).

*At this point, with KENDALL and ANDERSON elected, continuing candidates (votes held) were: Haintz (1286); Keats (1631); Pearce (1964).*

- The additional 171 preferences **Hayman** had received from Bakes and Templeton went to Pearce (75 / 43.9%); Haintz (66 / 38.6%); Keats (30 / 17.5%).

*At this point, with KENDALL and ANDERSON elected, continuing candidates (votes held) were: Haintz (1352); Keats (1661); Pearce (2039).*

- The additional 155 votes **Hayman** had received from Kendall's surplus went to Haintz (72 / 46.5%); Pearce (58 / 37.4%); Keats (24 / 15.5%).

*At this point, with KENDALL and ANDERSON elected, continuing candidates (votes held) were: Haintz (1424); Keats (1685); Pearce (2097).*

- The additional 9 votes **Hayman** had received from Anderson's surplus went to Pearce (5 / 55.6%); Haintz (4 / 44.4%); Keats (0 / 0.0%).

*At this point, with KENDALL and ANDERSON elected, continuing candidates (votes held) were: Haintz (1428); Keats (1685); Pearce (2102).*

As no candidate achieved a quota, **Haintz** (1428 votes) was excluded.

- **Haintz's** 407 primary votes went to Pearce (274 / 67.3%); Keats (133 / 32.7%).

*At this point, with KENDALL and ANDERSON elected, continuing candidates (votes held) were: Keats (1818); Pearce (2376).*

- The additional 348 preferences **Haintz** had received from Bakes, Templeton and Hayman went to Pearce (229 / 65.8%); Keats (119 / 34.2%).

*At this point, with KENDALL and ANDERSON elected, continuing candidates (votes held) were: Keats (1937); Pearce (2605).*

- The additional 663 votes **Haintz** had received from Kendall's surplus and excluded candidates went to Pearce (488 / 73.6%); Keats (175 / 26.4%).
- This distribution **ELECTED PEARCE** (3093 votes, 480 votes more than (surplus to) the quota of 2613). Counting stopped.
- The remaining candidate, Keats, finished with 2112 votes (981 votes fewer than Pearce).

## Statistics: Changes Between 2020 and 2024

Smaller increases in enrolment and turnout than in previous elections (especially in West ward) possibly reflect changes to registration-to-vote requirements introduced for this election by the Local Government Act 2020 .

	EAST WARD		SOUTH WARD		WEST WARD	
	2024 +/- 2020	2020 +/- 2016	2024 +/- 2020	2020 +/- 2016	2024 +/- 2020	2020 +/- 2016
<b>Enrolment:</b>	<b>12,535</b>	12,211	<b>13,698</b>	13,048	<b>12,936</b>	12,809
Change	+324 +2.65%	+528 +4.5%	+650 +4.98%	+427 +3.4%	+127 +0.99%	+484 +3.9%
<b>Total Ballot Papers Returned:</b>	<b>10,719</b>	10,166	<b>11,620</b>	11,159	<b>10,885</b>	10,787
Change	+553 +5.44%	+1,046 +11.5%	+461 +4.13%	+1,339 +13.6%	+98 +0.9%	+1,335 +14.1%
<b>Voter Turnout:</b> <i>% of total enrolment</i>	<b>85.51%</b>	83.25%	<b>84.83%</b>	85.52%	<b>84.15%</b>	84.21%
Change	+2.26%	+5.2%	-0.69%	+7.71%	-0.06%	+7.5%
<b>Formal Votes:</b>	<b>10,288</b>	9,826	<b>11,278</b>	10,772	<b>10,450</b>	10,430
Change	+462 +4.7%	+1,165 +13.5%	+506 +4.7%	+1,311 +13.9%	+20 +0.19%	+1,332 +14.6%
<b>Informal Votes:</b> <i>Number and % of total vote</i>	<b>431</b> <b>4.02%</b>	340 3.34%	<b>342</b> <b>2.94%</b>	387 3.47%	<b>435</b> <b>4.00%</b>	357 3.31%
Change	+91 +0.68%	-119 -1.7%	-45 -0.53%	+28 -0.23%	+78 +0.69%	+3 -0.39%
<b>Quota:</b> <i>Votes needed to be elected</i>	<b>2,573</b>	2,457	<b>2,820</b>	2,694	<b>2,613</b>	2,608
Change	+116 +4.7%	+291 +13.4%	+126 +4.7%	+328 +13.9%	+5 +0.19%	+333 +14.6%