The 2004 Amateur PBM Zine Poll

including the Fifth Amateur Gaming Web Site Poll

There will be just one magazine poll this year, and one web site poll for the hobby.

Eligibility

Zine Poll Any amateur PBM associated zine that is printed in the UK and has published a

minimum of four issues during 2004. Electronic zines distributed via e-mail, even if downloaded from a web site, count as zines, not web sites. Examples:

Devolution.

Web Site Poll A web site qualifies provided the person running the site is involved in the postal

hobby. Note that zines distributed via e-mail or downloaded from a web site are not

eligible for the Web Site poll.

Voting

Each voter may vote for up to ten zines and ten web sites by listing them in order (favourites first). All voting forms **must** be signed by the voter. Alternatively, votes may be sent by e-mail from a mail address that clearly identifies the voter. Unreadable entries will be declared void. Votes are acceptable by hand, post or e-mail, but **not** by phone. Voters do not have to be resident in the UK to vote. Editors may not vote for their own zines. Sub-editors may vote for their host zines.

The Results

The winners of the 2004 polls will be the zine and web site that gains the most points. In the event of ties, the zine/web site with the higher percentage of first places will be awarded the position. If there is still still a tie, the position will go to the zine/web site with the most votes. If this does not resolve ties then there will be joint placings. The results will be announced on the web page http://www.fbgames.co.uk/words/wotsnew.htm and posted to http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ukpbm/in early January 2005.

Scoring

To vote you don't need to understand the scoring system. All you need do is rank up to ten zines/web sites in the order you rate them, favourite first. Points will be awarded as follows:

# of	Points Scored									
Zines	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
1									1	
2							1		2	
3					1		2		3	
4			1		2		3		4	
5	1		2		3		4		5	
6	1		2		3		4		5	6
7	1		2		3		4	5	6	7
8	1		2		3	4	5	6	7	8
9	1		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

Thus if you vote for one zine/web site, your favourite will get 2 points. If you vote for two, your favourite will get 4 and your second will get 2, etc. so if you vote for seven they will score 1st=10, 2nd=8, 3th=6, 4th=4, 5th=3, 6th=2, 7th=1.

The 2004 Zine Poll Voting Form

The Amateur PBM Zine Poll Enter the names of the zines with your favourite	The Amateur Web Site Poll Enter the addresses (URLs) of the web sites with				
zine at the top.	your favourite web site at the top.				
Points 1	1 Points				
2	2				
3	3				
4	4				
5	5				
6	6				
7	7				
8	8				
9	9				
10	10				
Signed	Print Name				
Please note - you can leave the points blank - they will be calculated automatically					

The 2004 Pimley Award

This award commemorates the efforts of one of the early editors of the hobby, Les Pimley, who died tragically young but who did a lot for the hobby. The award is given to the person or persons considered to have done the most for the hobby in the last year or so.

A few nominations have already been received but further nominations are welcome so long as they arrive before **November 11th.** The nominations will be posted on the web site http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ukpbm and the web page http://www.fbgames.co.uk/wotsnew.htm and will be circulated to editors for publication in their zines. Details will also be available at MidCon.

Deadline

Midnight on December 31st 2004.

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