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Editorial: It's voting time again!

The time has come to vote for the *Fourth Annual Mathematical Gazette Writing Awards*. Please use the address carrier from this issue of the *Gazette* to identify the articles and notes of 1998 that impressed you most. The *Index* for 1998 will remind you of the many good submissions.

There will again be a prize draw among those who respond. The prize, worth about £50, will be a copy of the book *Mathematics of the Nineteenth Century, Volume 3*, by A. N. Kolmogorov and A. P. Yushkevich (Birkhäuser, 1998).

Previous Annual Mathematical Gazette Writing Awards

Year	Best Article	Best Note
1995	Kiril Bankov <i>Some applications of the pigeonhole principle</i>	Nigel Backhouse <i>Pancake functions and approximations to π</i>
1996	Colin Fletcher <i>Two prime centenaries</i>	David Fowler <i>A simple approach to the factorial function</i>
1997	Ann Hirst and Keith Lloyd <i>Cassini, his ovals and a space probe to Saturn</i>	Colin Dixon <i>Geometry and the cosine rule</i>

Please indicate, in the spaces provided on the voting form, the titles of your 3 favourite *Articles* and your 3 favourite *Notes*. Note that *Matters for Debate* count as *Articles*. Alternatively, you can just write your choices in a letter or on a postcard. Each vote will be given equal weighting. The results will be announced in the July 1999 issue.

Return the form as soon as you can, and definitely by 31st May 1999 to:

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