Bits from greenhorn DPL

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Your new DPL ...

- ... is DD since 1998
- ... joined 16 DebConfs
- ... was 2 times in Brasil (FISL 2013 + DebConf19)
- ... uploaded > 17000 packages
- ... fixed > 5800 bugs
- attracted > 25 new developers



So far for the work - but what about life?

- Born in 1967
- Married since 1989
- Father of a son since 1990
- Physicist since 1994
- Grandfather+father of adopted daughter since 2015
- Again grandfather 2018 (own grandson + adopted granddaughter)
- Another adopted daughter in 2020
- → Huge thanks goes to my wife for the freedom to do Debian work

Spare time besides packaging

- Planting trees like crazy
- Parents4Future
- Bicycling
- Other sports (swimming, running)
- Photography
- OpenStreetMap

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Motivation to run for DPL

- Previous year only one candidate
- Problems unaddressed for years
 - Package maintenance on Salsa
 - Inviting packaging teams
 - Workload and reduncancy of core teams
- Private reasons

Example: Streamlining work of ftpmaster

- Ensure free software only (lack of copyright statements just a bug)
- Providing tools to remove packages
- ?

Change process in Debian

Winding down Debian involvement (Michael Stapelberg, 2019)

- Cost of each change is distributed onto the package maintainers
- Lacking tooling for large changes
- Holdouts who refuse to collaborate

Some training in advance: Debian Med

- Welcoming team
- Attracted on DD per year
- Open collaboration mindset (=team uploads welcome)
- Working closely together with upstream
- Represents more than just a niche project: potential model for outreach on a broader scale

Some training in advance: DPT

- Non-team option inside team policy
- Proposed change
 - → Positive responses by lots of team members
 - → Scared away two long term contributors
- Picking up remaining pieces

Diversity

- Geographical discrimination in OS
- Gender balance in OS

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Tiny QA tasks

- Bug of the day
- Autopkgtest of the day

Any questions?



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