# curl up 2018 feedback

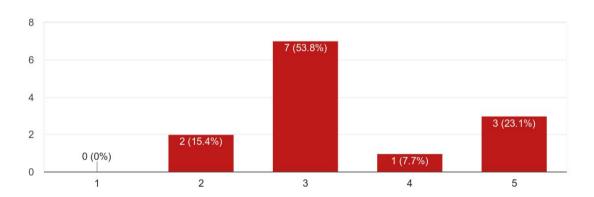
Here's the summary of the 14 responses we received. We had 23 people attend over two weekend days in Stockholm in April 2018. By Daniel Stenberg, head organizer of the event.

## **Facilities**

There's no doubt that the seating in the presentation area was sub-par for two full-day sessions and several of you have spelled that out in clear terms. To give better consideration for future events I'd say. This is graded from 1 the worst and 5 the best:

## Room / screen for presentations

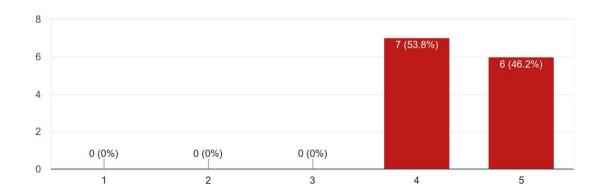
13 responses



But the wifi and network got good scores:

#### Wifi quality

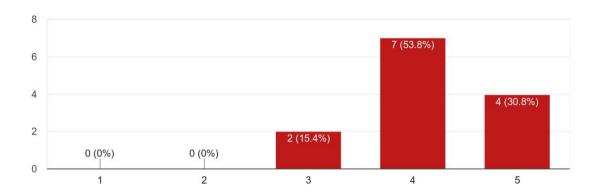
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The lunches for generally good scores too:

#### The provided lunches

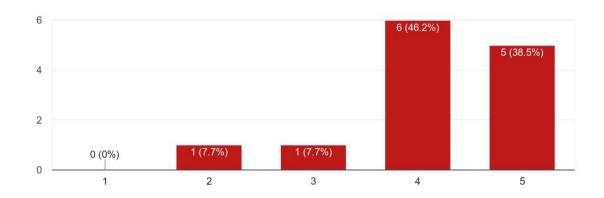
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We had breaks with coffee and tea and the little coffee shop was open the entire two days just for us, but I suppose there was something lacking because the grades were distributed, although mostly very positive:

#### Coffee / break / coffee shop facilities

13 responses



The write-ins what people missed are of course very interesting. The bad directions to the event can at least partly be blamed on me since I didn't pay enough attention on the route google maps advised... I like that someone highlighted our diversity problem as that's something I too feel I would *like* to see improved but I also don't feel that I have any good ideas of means on how to make that happen.

## Did you miss anything at goto 10?

7 responses

Diversity of Participants (no blaming, just stating)

Comfortable seats

comfortable seats, actually cold drinks

Nothing really, it was a fantastic venue for this event

Window blinds, the glare from the windows on the other side of the water was painful for the eyes at times.

more ergonomic seats

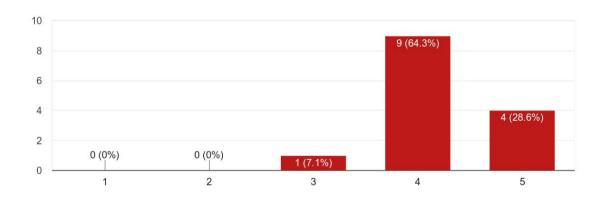
Google maps directions were terrible. It would have been useful to know the quickest way to get there was to stop at Skanstull and walk over the bridge.

# Rated details on the agenda

The topics seems to have been pretty good:

## Did the topics interest you?

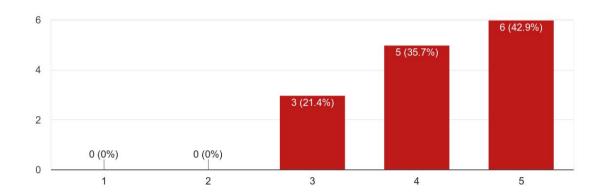
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And the length of the presentations were mostly thought to be fine:

## The length of the presentations?

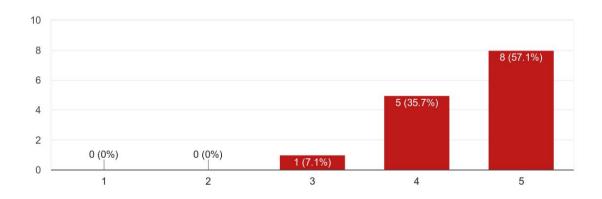
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To make sure that I personally don't just suck the air out of the room too much I wanted to get people's opinion on this. Here 1 is Yes and 5 is No. Don't take me wrong, I too feel it's better when we split the talking and presenting on more people rather than fewer.

## Did Daniel take up too much Agenda time?

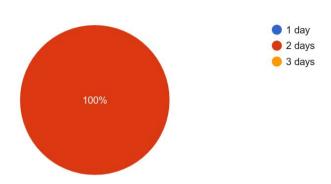
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And we now know for sure the attendees think two days is the perfect curl up length:

## What is the ideal duration for curl up?

14 responses



Missing from the agenda? We got four write-ins. I hope we can use this list as inspiration for next year...

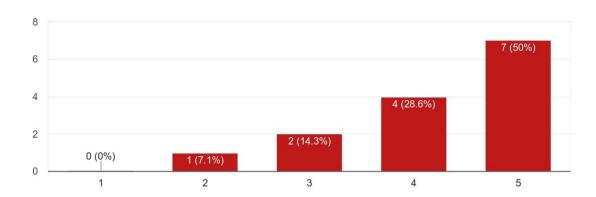
- Short-term und mid-term development plans/ideas/needs. curl has its place, but everything is evolving, so where should it evolve to? If at all. Just some day-dreaming maybe...
- high performance http
- websockets
- Discussion about how one could ramp up contributions without drinking from the fire hose immediately.

## Stockholm

Not too hard for most people to get to. I'm not suggesting the next one will be here again, but I also won't rule out that it could be done here again at some future point.

#### How easy was it to get to Stockholm?

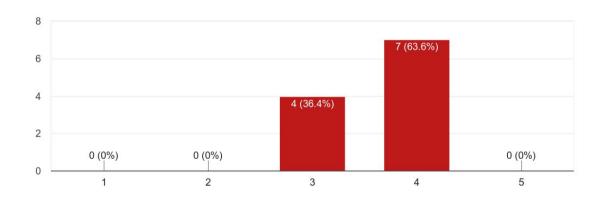
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Saturday night dinner was fine I guess. Not a single 5, but also no 1s or 2s:

#### Your Saturday night dinner experience

11 responses



# Next year?

The suggestions where to run curl up 2019 were varied, but it is probably no major surprise that most people seem to have mentioned a place that probably is close to home/work. The different places were (slightly accumulated):

- Anywhere in Europe is fine
- (Northern) Germany
- Brussels / London
- Gran Canaria. Warm weather there while Stockholm is under snow.
- Prague

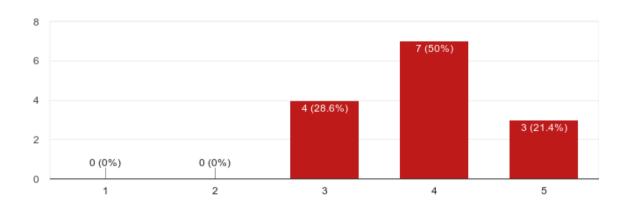
- Not the USA
- Helsinki
- Gothenburg

Personally, I would like us to go somewhere where we know an individual who can be the local host and preferably let us borrow a room/facilities during a weekend. I've had several offers already from people at various companies in cities both in Europe and in the US. My plan is to figure out the 2019 location after the summer 2018. If you know a place or someone who'd like to host us on a great place, do get in touch and let me know. We might have some sort of vote process later on.

It seems a lot of you might consider attending again if we just find a suitable place!

#### How likely will you attend next year? (if at a reasonable location)

14 responses

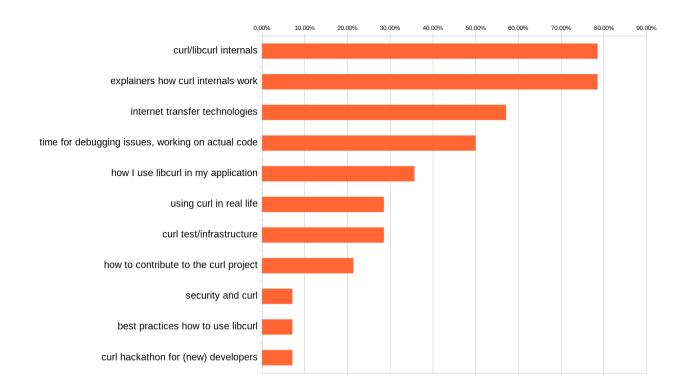


What would make us more likely to attend next year? We got two joking answers and "Not just repeat, but do new sessions at new location" - and I can only agree to that. I don't think curl up is for repeating, it is for advancing the project and that means moving forward.

## Sessions to do next time?

Just to get a feel for what topics this happy bunch would like to learn more about next year. It seems to pretty much match what we offered this year and I'm sure we'll have reasons to go back make sure that we live up to these expectations.

(Yeah, the two top-voted topic subjects sound like pretty much the same...)



## Changed for next year?

I'm showing you all the write-ins below. I think we can sum it up to at least: more comfortable seats and a proper unconference section.

- More comfortable seating
- Announce earlier, 6 months in advance.
- I thought the unconference last year was useful and would like to see that again. Name tags.
- the seats ... bench seats are fine for a presentation or 2, all day is a bit too much
- Unconference / breakouts kind of self organised. Perhaps a bit of user interaction could help. The quiz was a nice break from slides etc.
- Nothing really, this was great!
- I would have held a simple presentation.

## **Conclusion?**

Curl up 2018 was mostly appreciated by the attendees and we have received good input of what to aim for next year. Not too surprisingly, our (primarily) north European visitors would prefer next year to also happen in Northern Europe.

We should also try to get the location and date settled fairly early for 2019 so we can announce it way in advance and prepare and plan and get more people involved. We should ideally plan for both an unconference part and a hands-on session with actual debugging/programming in 2019.

My personal wish is that someone at curl up 2019 will make a presentation about how to get involved as a newcomer and produce a PR that can get accepted.