

N.A SOUTHEN AREA COMMITTEE REPORT 13TH APRIL 2008

TRADITION 2: Read by Liam.

APOLOGIES: Martin, Eric, Paul, Martin C, Michelle, Marsha.

ELECTIONS

The following elections took place this month at area as a continuance from last month

- **Public Relations Chairperson: Position still open.**

If you are interested in or know someone who is interested in a position please could you come to next month's area.

GROUP REPORTS:

Y.M.C.A: Meeting going well. Av . Att. 20 – 25. All positions filled. Donation: €135. Tanya new secretary on Friday, John new secretary on Sunday, Maureen new GSR.

Ennis: Mon: Av . Att. 8, Thursday: Av . Att. 8. Mauraid new treasurer, Joe is new literature secretary.

Trinity: Meeting going well. Av . Att. 20 - 25. Donation: €90. All positions filled.

Clonmel: Av . Att. 5 - 6. All positions filled. No Donation. **Outreach support requested for Sunday.**

Dominican Centre: No Report.

Clonakilty: Av . Att: 7(Wed), 5(Sun). All positions filled. Donation: €100. **Support needed for Sunday.**

Dean St: Av . Att: 20. No Donation. All positions filled. Fiona new secretary on Saturday.

Cobh: No Report. **NEEDS SUPPORT!!!!!!!!!!!!**

Churchfield (Wednesday): No Report.

Churchfield (Thursday): Meeting going well. All position filled. Av . Att: 10 – 15.

Churchfield (Sunday): Av . Att. 6 - 8. Meeting going well for last 5 months. No Donation. Meeting needs GSR.

Nenagh: No Report.

Traleee: No Report.

Listowel: No Report.

Unity: Meeting going well. Ave. Att: 3 - 7. Donation: €67. All positions filled.

Limerick: No Report.

Shannon: No Report.

Youghal: No Report.

Skibbereen: Av . Att: 4. No Donation. All positions filled.

C.U.H. G.F: No Report.

Mallow: Av . Att: 4. No Donation. All positions filled.

Fermoy: No Report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

VICE-CHAIR:

- No Report.

PHONE & OFFICE:

- Phone is going well.
- Thanks to all volunteers.

LITERATURE:

- Literature will be on sale from 2.30pm on the day of Area and again after Area each month.

HOSPITALS AND INSTITUTIONS:

- No Report.

FUNDRAISING:

- The fundraising committee consists of Anoushka M – Chairperson, Ber T – Secretary, Michael G - Treasurer, Tina T – Committee member, Dave W – Committee member, Michael – Committee member.
- All going well. Venue is secured. The Fundraiser is in the Oriel House Hotel in Ballincollig on the 21st of June starting at 7pm. Ticket prices are Members: €20, Guests: €15, Newcomers (90 days or under): €12.
- Anoushka, Michael and Tina went to the Eastern Area Convention in Wicklow, where they sold some tickets and also left a number of tickets with members above there to sell. It is **vital** that all GSR's push ticket sales. We would like to sell as many tickets as possible prior to the event. Our target is 200 tickets. **PLEASE STRESS THIS IN MEETINGS.**
- Expenses: €126.80.

PUBLIC RELATIONS:

- No Report.

OUTREACH:

- No Report.

A.S.R

- No Report.

EVENTS:

- No Report.

Webmaster:

- The website is now online at www.nasouth.ie.
- The website committee didn't meet this month but were in contact.
- The meeting list section is fully up to date with the current 08 spring meeting list. All meetings not eligible to be printed yet have also been added to the site.
- The guest-book is still receiving positive feedback with all inappropriate comments removed.
- The midsummer fundraiser flyer was added to the website with full details of the night added.
- Other NA area and regional website links have been added also.
- One email seeking help was received, Paul N replied.
- Over the coming month the committee plans to add downloadable guidelines for setting up new groups including criteria for new GSR's and secretaries.
- All comments and suggestions welcome to Robert O H or Paul N or to mail address www.webmaster@nasouth.ie.

AD-HOC:

- No Report.

ASR:

- No Report.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

- The West Cork groups are organising a H&I or a PR drive in their areas. The need for a Public Relations committee was again stressed. The groups want to send out letters along with the NA mobile number. They requested money for this so a discussion took place as to whether area should pay for this as Clonmel are doing something similar and are paying for it themselves. Tim proposed that a Public Relations pack be made up for this purpose, which Paul seconded. It was also suggested that we build on the addresses for professionals as well as make up a new template letter for professionals. Also that the pamphlet "A resource in your community" as well as more be included in the pack.
- The absence of the H & I was discussed as the guidelines state that a chairperson or secretary should be present at area and neither was. The H & I chair will be contacted.
- We are still without a Public Relations committee. This is a **VERY IMPORTANT** role and if Narcotics Anonymous is to be in the public eye we need a committee.
PLEASE CAN PEOPLE ANNOUNCE THIS. Even if you are unsure come to area and find out more about this position.
- Waterford is once again part of the Southern area. There has been some confusion within Waterford groups as to the purpose of funds collected. Members have recently been funded to travel to conventions. It isn't recommended that money be spent in this way and that the 3rd and 7th traditions be considered. And also to remember that circumstances like this can affect Narcotic

Anonymous' reputation as a whole.

- A meeting is to be re-opened in Ennis on Saturday nights at 8pm. More information will be available next month. Also look to the website for any changes to the meetings list.
- The Clonmel group brought the circular hug at the end of meetings up for discussion. The hug is a group decision. It is up to the group as to whether or not they do this. It was also suggested that it could be included in the preamble or even just mention that the meeting ends with a circular hug and that it is up to the individual if they want to participate
- If there are any changes could groups please contact the web-master as well as Literature and Phone and Office as soon as possible.
- The new Southern Area website has been set up. The web address is **www.nasouth.ie**

**NEXT AREA MEETING WILL BE HELD ON 11th MAY 2008,
in the Y.M.C.A. in CORK at 3pm.
ALL ARE WELCOME.**

N.A Southern Area Treasurer's Report April 2008

Opening Balance **€2289.49**

Donations

Clonakilty	€100
YMCA	€135
Trinity	€90
Shandon St	€67
Ennis	€90
Waterford	€118
Eircom Refund	€56.08

ADD € 656.08 (Donations)

€ 2945.57

Expenses

Rent (Direct Debit)	€ 100.00
Rent (Area Room)	€ 7.00
Secretary	€ 6.00
Literature	€300.00
P&O	€ 20.00
Pamphlets	€ 110.00
PO Box	€253.70
Fundraising	€500.00

SUBTRACT €1296.70 (Expenses)

Closing Balance **€ 1648.87**

Prudent Reserve (500)

Fundraising Reserve (0)

Convention Reserve (500)

SUBTRACT € 1000.00 (Prudent Reserve)

Working Balance **€ 648.87**