

N.A SOUTHEN AREA COMMITTEE REPORT April 8th 2009

TRADITION 7: Read by Martin C

ATTENDANCE: Tanya, Paul C, Paul N, Elaine B, Niamh K, Lorraine W, Jason B, Martin C, John D, Siobhan F, Andrew F, Tom S, Tom, Therese K, Brian, Ger C, Shane M, Kevin O'C, John, Maeve O'H, Mary M, Michelle W, Dessie P, Claire C, Dave W, Anoushka M, Danny F, Keith M, Jonathon McC, Conore C, Bertie B

APOLOGIES: Finbarr F

ELECTIONS

Events: Position still open.

Fundraising: Position still open.

People interested in taking up positions at Area please come to the next area.

GROUP REPORTS:

Y.M.C.A: Av.Att. 20-25. Meeting doing well. New Secretary for sunday is Trevor. New secretary needed for friday night. No Donation

Ennis: The group felt unhappy with the feedback from Area at present. GSR didnt attend group consciense so Maeve and David attended Area to bring donation. George took keys for Monday and Eamon Took keys for Saturday.

Trinity: Av.Att 20.All positions filled. Rent paid. Donation €60

Clonmel: Av. Att. 8-9. All positions filled. Meeting going well. No Donation.

Dominican Centre: New welcoming committee. Male and female volunteers needed with 1yr clean time. Av.Att 40+. Donation €175

Clonakilty: Sun: Av. Att. 6. Wed: Av. Att 6. All positions filled, New Secretarys Barry and Niall. No Donation. **REQUEST TO OUTREACH FOR SUPPORT ON BOTH NIGHTS**

Dean St: Av. Att: 30. Looking for Treasurer. No Donation.

Cobh: No Report.

Churchfield (Wednesday): Attendance has gone down. No Donation. **NEEDS SUPPORT**

La Verna: Av.Att 25-30. Meeting going well. GSR needed. Donation €145

Churchfield (Sunday): Av. Att 5-6. Meeting going well. Need Treasurer and GSR. No DOnation.

Nenagh: No Report.

Tralee: Av.Att 10-12 per night. Womens meeting Av. Att 3. All positions filled. New NA contact and support number up and running 0870523278. Donation €30

Listowel: Av. Att Tues 2, Av. Att Fri 4. **BOTH MEETINGS NEED SUPPORT**

Unity: Av.Att. 6-8. Meeting going Well. No Donation. Treasurer needed.

Limerick: Meeting going well. Av. Att 10.

Shannon: No Report.

Youghal: Av.Att. 8-11. Meeting going well. All positions filled. Donation €21.52

Skibbereen: Av Att 7. Needs Treasurer and Secretary. Donation €35

C.U.H. G.F: Av.Att. 15-20. All positions filled. Meeting going well. No Donation.

Mallow: Av. Att. 4-6. Only 2 meetings due to easter. No Donation. **NEEDS SUPPORT**

Fermoy: No Report.

St. Johns, Waterford: No Report.

Lady lane, Waterford: No Report.

Macroom: Av. Att 4-6. All positions open. Donation €55

Killeagh: New Meeting, Av. Att 4-8. Meeting going well. All positions filled. No Donation.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

VICE-CHAIR:

- Spoke to all sub committee chairpersons. All going well. Nothing to report.
- Met with Dave to resolve bank acc issue, both Tanya and Dave will be names on the acc. Still need signatures from Chair and Treasurer

PHONE & OFFICE:

- No Report

LITERATURE:

- €328.26 of literature ordered
- Still have €218.15 of literature for H&I and P.I
- Expenses postage €3.70 paper €3.99 starter pack for Killeagh €26.95
- Total Expenses €34.67
- Literature is on sale from 2:30 on the day of Area and after Area meeting

HOSPITALS AND INSTITUTIONS:

- Tabor Lodge: Secretary Tanya and Elaine.Meeting going well. Doireann and Trevor, Ciaran and Anoushka, Therese and Barry spoke this month. Expenses €30
- Bruree: John D Secetay. Meeting going well. Finbarr, Jerry, Bertie, IAn and Dave W spoke this month. Expenses €50
- Cara Lodge: Danny F Secretary. Meeting going well. Now changed to Wed night @8pm. Paul N and Ian D spoke this month.Staff member still present at the meeting. Expenses €25
- St. Helen's, Blarney: Martin C secretary. Thanks to all who spoke this month due to easter masses. Expenses €60

- Cork Prison: Bert Secretary. Meeting is still being well recieved. Mick asnd Dave spoke this month. No meeting on good friday as prison had no staff available to escort members through prison. Expenses €5
- Limerick Prison: No report
- St. Michaels Mercy Hospital: Dave W Secretary. Meeting going well. Martin C, Regina, Paul and Finbarr spoke this month. Literature required.
- Anyone wishing to speak at either Limerick or Cork Prison please contact Martin C on 0860769022, Speakers are required urgently.
- New Application Form for prison clearance. Will hopefully speed up clearance to 3 months. Will be available to groups.
- Phone Expenses €20
- Total Expenses €190

FUNDRAISING:

- No Report.

PUBLIC RELATIONS:

- Apologies for not attending last month
- Since last report there have been engagements in Midleton school and 2 with youth groups in Knocknaheeny. Thanks to Martin, Eoin, Jenny, Con, Jason, and Paul H for speaking at the events
- Next month is going to be a busy month. Were speaking at a seminar being run by Cork City Partnership. It will be attended by approximately 150 professionals. We are involved in a youth workshop again, part of the Cork Drugs Awareness week where wee will have 2 speakers speaking to different youth groups all day. We also have have an event in Ballyphene
- Fundraiser snd Public Meeting is going to happen over the summer now instead of next n=month cos i feel we have enough events on next month. There has been a committee set up of Danny F, Paul N and Anoushka M.
- Expense €40

OUTREACH:

- HAd more help and interest than previously, though still rely on mostly the same people. Hope to generate more interest with longer summer evenings.
- 1 trip to Clonakilty, 2 trips to Macroom, 2 trips to Killarney, 1 trip to Killeagh, 1 trip to Fermoy and 1 trip to Cobh.
- Expenses €52
- Please contact John on 0877999935 for directions and expenses

A.S.R

- Regional elections take place at next IRSC meeting, All members aree invited to consider

standing for election.

- Eastern Area has reported concern around access to certain institutions and the use of sniffer dogs. Their phjoineline is having difficulty getting volunteers
- Western Area are holding their monthly meetings in a different county each month.
- Northern Area asks all areas to actively take part in planning 2010 convention. They have compulsory phonline training for all volunteers.
- Irish Service Office is fully stocked and running well. Literature from World Service Office will now be sold at a Conversion rate of \$1 = €1. there was much discussion about this.
- Irish Regional Service Committee proposes to create 3 new service positions; Regional Events Chair, Regional Literature Chair and Parents & Carers Chair. Southern Area approved these positions.
- Anyone looking for a more detailed report please contact ASR Dave W

EVENTS:

- No Report.

Webmaster:

- The website is now online at www.nasouth.ie.
- Website is going well.
- A couple of requests for information have been responded to.
- Preliminary details of the upcoming Irish Regional Convention have been posted.
- Usage for Mar 2009 was 887 visits to the site.
- The new Killeagh meeting is on the meetings list,
- All comments and suggestions welcome to Paul or to mail address info@nasouth.ie
- Email addresses in the form of name@nasouth.ie are available for any groups or subcommittees that want them.
- Links have been added to the NA Way and Reaching Out magazine
- Southern Area reports and Asr Reports are on the website
- The NAWS have been in contact. In order to protect NA's intellectual property and copyrighted material, we have been asked to do 2 things with the website, 1. Add a copyright mark to all instances of the NA symbol, 2. Remove all text that was copied from any NA pamphlets. Work in this is in progress.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

- **NA Service Workshop Brainstorming Session**

This was the second meeting of the committee, there were a number of issues discussed. The following are a list of suggestions for members and groups to adopt to try to encourage people to take part in H&I service:

1. GSRs go back to their homegroups and ask for 3 volunteers for speaking

engagements,

2. Print up a "sign-up" sheet for each group, for members to sign up to do service,
 3. Reduce cleantime requirement to 6 months, but volunteer must first attend a H&I meeting as an observer, so they can get an idea of format of meeting,
 4. People present at "brainstorming" session to go back to groups and announce "speakers requested" Offer to hang around if members want to chat about H&I speaking engagements,
 5. Be aware of message you're carrying re service. Be positive and encouraging. Emphasise that lifts will be provided to and from institution.
 6. Ask GSRs to suggest that once a month the chair will be based on a members experience of H&I at the next group conscience.
 7. Service positions to finish once their time has come to an end. No hanging onto positions, baby sitting groups and members.
 8. Ask Area Secretary to include a separate paragraph in capitals and bold thanking all volunteers individually for their service in the minutes.
 9. Each NA group should draw up written guidelines for service commitments.
 10. H&I draw up a document detailing format for each treatment centre.]
 11. GSRs to encourage and support speakers.
 12. H&I to have bi-monthly meetings.
 13. We suggest that Southern Area hold a GSR, group service workshop.
- Request €60 for a flip chart.
 - Next brainstorming session will be held @6pm, thurs 30/04/09 La Verna

•Clonmel

- Area will be held in Clonmel in May
- Directions are enclosed

•Clonakilty

- Wondering is ad-hoc brainstorming committee part of Area, it was cleared up it is a service meeting and it will report to Area.

**NEXT AREA MEETING WILL BE HELD ON SUN 10th May 2009,
in The Substance Misuse Centre, Peter St, Clonmel, Co. Tippereary at 3pm.
ALL ARE WELCOME.**

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Opening Balance €1167.35

Donations

Dominican Center	€175
La Verna	€145
Tralee	€30
Limerick	€100
Shannon	€200
Youghal	€21.52
Skibb	€35
Ennis	€50
Trinity	€60

ADD € 816.62 (Donations)
€ 1983.87

Expenses

Rent (Direct Debit)	€ 100.00
Rent (Area Room)	€ 7.00
PO Box Yearly	€260
P&I Expenses	€40
H&I Expenses	€190
Literature	€35
Outreach	€52
Secretarial Expenses	€24
Flip Chart	€60

SUBTRACT €768 (Expenses)

Closing Balance € 1215.87

Prudent Reserve (500)
Fundraising Reserve (500)
Blarney Reserve (100)

SUBTRACT € 1100.00 (Reserve)

Working Balance € 115.87

