

N.A SOUTHEN AREA COMMITTEE REPORT 13TH JULY 2008

ATTENDANCE: Tina, Paul, Con, Danny, Finbarr, Eric, Marsha, Paul, Gerry, Maureen, Anoushka, Enda, Elaine, Miriam, Dave, Bertie, Dave, Michelle, Mike, Martin, Donal, Paul, Tim.

TRADITION 5: Read by Bertie.

APOLOGIES: Robert, John.

ELECTIONS

Area elections will be held in September. All positions are available. If you are interested in getting involved in service at area level please attend.

GROUP REPORTS:

Y.M.C.A: Av . Att: 30. Meeting going well. All positions filled. Tea secretary and secretary for Fri night available. Donation: €120

Ennis: No report. New meeting on Saturday at 8.30pm in Friary Hall.

Trinity: Meeting going well. Av . Att. 25. Donation: €100. Meeting needs a G.S.R.

Clonmel: Av . Att. 6 - 7. All positions filled. Donation €40. Meeting going well.

Dominican Centre: Av . Att: 25 - 30. Meeting going well. Donation €30.

Clonakilty: Av . Att: (Wed) 8. (Sun) 3. All positions filled. Donation €150. **SUPPORT NEEDED FOR**

SUNDAY!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Dean St: Av . Att: 20 - 30. Donation: €70. New secretaries are Bert and Jennie. Treasurer needed. Meeting going well.

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

Churchfield (Wednesday): Meeting going well. Av . Att: 10 – 15. No Donation. **NEEDS CLEAN TIME SUPPORT!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

Churchfield (Thursday): Av . Att: 10 – 12. Meeting going well. Donation: €72. All position filled.

Churchfield (Sunday): No Report.

Nenagh: No Report.

Tralee: No Report.

Listowel: Meeting going well. Av . Att: 5. No Donation. All positions filled.

Unity: No Report.

Limerick: Meeting going well. Av . Att: 13 – 16. No Donation. All positions filled.

Shannon: No Report.

Youghal: Meeting going well. Av . Att: 5. All positions filled. No Donation.

Skibbereen: Av . Att: 5. Donation €20. Needs a secretary and treasurer. Outreach requested.

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

Mallow: Av . Att: 4. No Donation.

Fermoy: Meeting going well. Av . Att: 4. All positions filled. No Donation. **MEETING NEEDS SUPPORT!!!!!!!**

St. Johns, Waterford: All positions filled. Meeting's not starting or finishing on time. G.S.R and alternate G.S.R needed.

Lady lane, Waterford: Av . Att. 6 – 7. Donation: €125.99. Thurs meeting no longer running.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

VICE-CHAIR:

- Phone & Office: Everything is going well with phone and office.
- Website: A few changes have been made to the meetings list.
- Outreach: Everything is going well. Assistance is still needed.
- Events: Position now available.
- Literature: Order is in. Elaine got money back from An Post.
- Fundraising: Fundraiser went well. A profit of about €800 was made on the night.
- Public Relations: Nothing this month.
- Hospitals and Institutions: All is going well. John is trying to get a secretary for Limerick prison.

PHONE & OFFICE:

- Phone is going well.
- Had one request for an information pack from a professional in Mayfield.
- Message on landline has been changed.
- Thanks to all volunteers.
- **Danny is looking for a secretary for Phone and Office who would possibly be interested in taking over as chairperson in September.**
- **Expenses: €20.**

LITERATURE:

- Literature will be on sale from 2.30pm on the day of Area and again after Area each month.
- €700 worth of literature ordered this month.
- Postal order that was lost was re-issued by An Post. €280 owed to Area.
- Starter pack requested for new woman's meeting.
- Need more printer ink.
- Expenses: €31.94

HOSPITALS AND INSTITUTIONS:

Cara Lodge:

- Meeting being well received.
- John is secretary.
- Dave, Danny and Martin spoke this month.

Tabor Lodge:

- Con is secretary.
- Nano, Danny, Paul and Claire spoke.
- Meeting being well received.

Bruree:

- Finbarr is secretary.
- Gerry, Ciarain, Gary and Finbarr spoke.
- Meeting well received.

Cork Prison:

- Paul is secretary.
- Martin, Dave and Dave.
- Meeting being well received.
- **If you are interested in speaking at the prison and are one year or close to one year clean give your name to John, Paul or Niall.**

Limerick Prison (Male):

- **If you would like to speak in the prison please give your name to H&I. Passport photos as well as names are also needed for security clearance.**

St. Michael's Ward, Mercy Hospital:

- Dave is Secretary.
- Meeting going well.

Limerick Prison (Female):

- Not being held at the moment.
- **More females are needed to speak. If you are interested and are one year or close to one year clean PLEASE contact H&I. It would be greatly appreciated. Meetings are held on Sunday's.**

Blarney Sister's of Charity:

- Martin is secretary.
- Meeting being well received.

Bushy Park:

- Joe is Secretary.
- Meeting going well.

Expenses:

- Travel: €80
- Literature: €20
- Total: €100

FUNDRAISING:

- The midsummer unity was held in Oriel House Hotel in Ballincollig on the 21st of June. Approx. 120 attended. It started with the quiz, then food, awards ceremony for the costumes, the Cal djed till about 2am.
- People cam from Cork, Limerick, Tipperary, Kerry, Leitrim and Carlow. The committee would like to thank ev eryone who supported the event. We sold 197 tickets in total but not all of them attended on the night.
- There will be a full treasurers report next month. €1038.50 will be handed up today, €200 of which is the balance of the €500 reserve leaving a total profit of 838.50. We have held back €195 for the raffle prizes, 2 banquet tickets @€40 each and 2 nights B&B in Sligo @€115.

PUBLIC RELATIONS:

- In Vice Chair's report.

OUTREACH:

- Plenty of v olunteers, need help from drivers. Thanks to Con for his assistance to the Youghal meeting. Thanks to Tina, Bridget and Claire for their attendance to Clonakilty meeting 1st week of July.
- Expenses: €40

A.S.R

- Owing to personal circumstances Caoimhe I has given up the position of ASR. Thanks to Caoimhe for her service in this position.
- Point of interest is the 7 workshops offered to Area Committees by members of the IRSC. These are:-
 1. Who is meeting from our meetings?
 2. Building stronger home groups
 3. Atmosphere of recovery
 4. Area planning tool
 5. Public image
 6. Infrastructure
 7. Leadership in NA
- Elections were held at Region. If you would like a detailed v ersion of members elected contact either Dave.

- The Convention reserve has been paid to the Convention Committee and preparations are well underway. The IRSC Convention this year will be held in the Western Area and they have decided to hold it in Sligo at the Sligo Park Hotel, from 31st October to 2nd November.
- Anyone who has suggestions for speakers or who would like to be involved is asked to contact Danny E on **086 601 7449**. To pre-register contact Edel on **087 231 3675**.
- The travel expenses for the RD & RD (Alt) to attend the EDM in Helsinki in July were approved with the IRSC Treasurer highlighting the shortfall in the IRSC accounts. The main reason for this was the fall in income from the NA shop partly due to the relocation and partly due to reduced sales from the new premises. IRSC is unsure if income from the shop will recover or will be at this lower level for some time.
- It was agreed that each ASR will raise the issue of finances at Area level. Dave W pointed out that in the case of Southern Area it's not a case of the Area Committee holding more funds it is the case that NA Southern Area are providing more services and incurring higher expenses as a result.
- It was also suggested that IRSC hold a Fundraising event of its own. This will be discussed at the next meeting on **Sunday 27th July**, in the **Blessed Sacrament Chapel, Bachelor's Walk**.

EVENTS: Bert was elected.

Webmaster:

- The website is now online at www.nasouth.ie.
- Updates to meeting list added.
- Regional convention details added.
- Speaker tapes are available for download from the website.
- All comments and suggestions welcome to Robert or Paul or to mail address www.webmaster@nasouth.ie.

AD-HOC:

- No Report.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

- The position of ASR alternate is available as of now. Three years clean time is required. A member taking on ASR alternate, though not expected, would take up ASR the following year. ASR and ASR alternate are one year positions.
- Region is looking for an ISO chair. This position is very important and would require a member to travel to Dublin at least once a month, possibly more especially at the start. This position includes looking after the N.A shop in Dublin and delegating volunteers to work there. If you have any questions on this position either attend Region/ Area or speak to Dave W.
- A proposal was made to donate the convention reserve (€500) to Region, as we haven't had a convention for a while. This proposal was seconded.
- The Regional convention will be held in Sligo Park Hotel starting on Oct 31st, ending Nov 2nd. Support would be greatly appreciated from all Area's in attending the convention.

- Bert put himself forward as events chairperson and was voted in. He put forward an idea of a dance. He will come back next month with a venue and prices. It was also advised he get a committee.
- Waterford would like to hold a public relations meeting. Waterford will come back with a venue, date and time. A letter is available from Area that can be sent out to various professionals and organizations that would attend the meeting. A literature pack is also available.
- Waterford need help with the PR meeting and with meetings in general. As we don't have a PR chair at the moment the vice-chair will step in and help out the group. Also the Outreach chair will help out. **Anyone willing to travel especially drivers please contact Outreach or even travel to meetings with members individually. Support is badly needed and would be greatly appreciated.**
- Discussion took place about members and positions. Members taking up positions need to take responsibility for those positions and if not then new members must be elected. If a secretary continuously turns up late then the position must be forfeit.
- **Area will be held in Waterford in August. Directions are included.**
- Listowel brought up changes that needed to be made to the meetings list. Also a H&I meeting will be started in Tralee. The group have asked H & I for help in getting this up and running.
- A new poster was proposed for Southern Area's usage, which was seconded. Caoimhe will take it to the printers.
- H&I stated that prices may rise in accordance with fuel prices.
- The Fermoy meeting have changed the layout of their meeting so that it differs weekly. 1st Thurs of the month to be a step meeting, 2nd "How do I feel today", 3rd a tradition meeting, 4th chair meeting and when there's a 5th it'll be a guided meditation meeting.
- The Youghal meeting would like to thank everyone for their help and support with the PR meeting. The meeting was well received despite its low turnout. €24.25 returned to area.
- €1900 was donated to Region.

N.A Southern Area Treasurer's Report July 2008

Opening Balance	€1765.89
Donations	
Dean St	€ 70
Clonakilty	€150
YMCA	€120
Thursday Churchfield	€ 72
Dominican Centre	€ 30
Clonmel	€ 40

Skibbereen	€ 20
Trinity	€100
Lady's Lane Waterford	€125.99
St. John's Waterford	€115
Fundraising	€1038
Literature PO Return	€ 280
Youghal PI Returns	€24.25
	+
	€ 2185.24
	€ 3951.13

Expenses	
Rent (Direct Debit)	€ 100.00
Rent (Area Room)	€ 7.00
Secretary	€ 18.00
Phone and Office	€ 20.00
H&I Expenses	€100.00
Outreach	€ 40.00
Literature Expenses	€ 31.94
Printing	€250.00
Donation to Region	€1900.00

- € 2466.94

Closing Balance € 1484.19

Prudent Reserve (500)

Fundraising Reserve (500)

- € 1000.00)

Working Balance € 484.19

NEXT AREA MEETING WILL BE HELD ON 13th JULY 2008,

in Waterford at 3pm.

ALL ARE WELCOME.

