



March Minutes 2015

Apologies: Niamh O (Events & Fundraising Chair); Thomas F. (GSR Waterford); Mairead B. (Literature Alt)

Attendance List: Bert M. (Chair); Michelle W.(Secretary); Colin P.(ASR); Anoushka M. (GSR Trinity); Tara W. (GSR Hillside Solas); Joe E.(H&I Chair: GSR Skibbereen); Julia B. (GSR Alternate WDR); Pam W.(Literature Chair); Brendan O.(PR Chair); Tony K. (Convention Chair); John M (Treasurer); Paul N. (Webmaster); Dermot M. (GSR Killarney); Kate O (member); Patrick S. (GSR Waterford); Anthony K. (GSR) Limerick; Anthony M. (Prison Secretary & acting GSR Dominican Centre) ; Donnacha (GSR La Verna).

Sub Committee Reports

Treasurers report: John M

Opening balance: €3241

Donations: €1292

Expenses: €530

Prudent reserve: €2850

Working balance: €1,153

Public Relations: Brendan O'B. (Chair), Paul N. (Webmaster), Peter H. (Social Media Advertisement), Paul J. (Poster Distribution Campaign). The NA presentation to Focus NLN Midleton on February 9th was very well received. Thanks to Nakita B and Aaron H for sharing and to Paul J for acting as secretary. There was a lot of questioning afterwards, with people showing a lot of interest in the Fellowship.

The next speaking engagement is in Midleton College on Friday 20th of March. We will need two speakers, one male and one female with at least one year's clean time. If you are interested please contact Brendan O'B on 085 1630753.

The PI subcommittee is currently talking about developing a pamphlet which will be a combination of "Am I an addict?" and a local meetings list. It is hoped that we will have a prototype for next month's area and were wondering what the protocol for this is?

The next subcommittee meeting will be on Tuesday 17th March in the NA offices on Marlboro Street, all are welcome to attend.

Webmaster Report

There were 260 visitors to the website in February. Due to some issues with the Search by Day feature not working, and the webpages not formatting properly on mobile devices, I redesigned the website to fix these issues. Search by Day is now working correctly, and the website should resize correctly on all mobile devices. Any bookmarks that you have might have changed, but all of the same information is still on the site. Minutes for last month's area and the latest Meeting list are also on the website.

Literature Report: Pam W. (Chair); Mairead B. (Literature Alt.)

Total sales	€137.55
Total ordered	€ 137.55
Balance	0
Expenses	€248.95 re: printer

Literature Activities

Upcoming traditions work book is in the review stage in the style of a step working guide.

All is going well at this time; we would like to thank area for new printer, its working well.

New shop time is working much better now thanks to all GSR's for this

New time is 2pm CLOSING AT 2.45 SHARP FOR ALL THOSE WHO DONT KNOW.

The next committee meeting Sunday April 12th of the month.

H&I: Joe E. (Chair); Vice chairperson needed; New secretary for H&I needed

Positions to be filled **St. Helens second meeting, Arbour House**

Cork Prison meeting needs speakers from the Southern Area. If you would like to get involved could you please submit two passport photos, current address, past 10 year address's and date of birth. Clean time 1 year, male speakers. **GSRs please bring this back to meetings and have secretaries mention it at meetings as NA related announcements at the end of meetings.** Men volunteering should contact Anthony M.

(munsterarea@hotmail.com will give his contact details). Meeting is weekly on Friday mornings at 10am. Uncertainty about Cara Lodge and Farnanes meetings as, no contact could be made with secretaries. Will contact places directly.

Expenses: €20.00

Literature: € 69.08

H&I Reports

Arbour House No Secretary, No Meeting

5b Limerick

Sec: Donna

Speaker: James

Att: 0

Expenses: None

Donna's time is up as secretary and this is being announced at meetings

Bruree Men

Sec: Tom H., Brendan

Meeting 1:

Speakers: Martin, Stewart

Att: 20

Meeting 2:

Speakers: Patrick, Tom R.

Att: 20

Bruree Women

Sec: Aileen

Speakers: Yvonne K., Joanne

Att: 20

Aileen reported that she and the speakers felt intimidated by male patients as they made their way to women's meeting which could only be reached by passing through the corridor of the men's ward. Full report to be made to next Area.

Cara Lodge

Sec: Joe E.

Speaker: Seamus

Att: 1

Ceimelle House No Meeting this month

Cork Prison

Sec:Anthony M.
Meeting 1
Speaker:Brendan O'B
Meeting 2
Speaker:Mick D
Att.6

Farnanes

Sec:Sarah
Meeting going well

St. Michael's No sec.,No meeting

St. Helen's

Sec.Stephen
Speaker;Christy L.
Att:12
A member has volunteered to do secretary for second meeting.Will report next Area

Tabor Lodge

Sec.Paddy C.
Speakers: Paul,Mairead
Att:14
Expenses:10

Sec.Aisling
Speakers:Terry
Att:14
Expenses;10

Group Reports

Cork City

Georges Quay: Women's Meeting Monday 6.30-7.45 **No** report.

Rutland Street: Men's Meeting Monday 7pm No report

Hillside Solas: Monday 8.15pm & Saturday 8pm

Average Attendance: 25

Donation: €110

Eason's Hill: Tuesday 6.15pm

Average attendance: 15

Group report: Meeting is going well. There was no meeting on St Patricks Day as there was nobody available to open the community centre, it being a bank holiday.

Trinity: Tuesday 8.00pm

Average Attendance: 25

Group report: with reference to Feb ASR report regarding insurance for groups, we are holding back money & Con D. is going to look into insurance costs/options for the group.

The group would like to know what steps region are taking to rectify their finances & to ensure this doesn't happen in the future-is it being looked at?

Donation: €12

Churchfield: Wednesday 6.30

Group report: group going well, could do with clean time support

Donation: €20.00

G.F Strength & Hope Wednesday 8pm and Sunday 2pm

Donation €175

La Verna Thursdays 8.00pm

Average Attendance: 35

Group report: Clean time support from female members needed for this group, was brought to group conscience there has been no female chairs in a long time.

Meeting going well. Rent paid-the rent has increased to €50 per month. All positions filled

Donation: €60

Dominican Centre: Friday morning 11.30 - 12.30

Average Attendance: 15

Group report: The group is very strong at the moment. The group would like to thank Pam W. for all her support to the meeting; **GSR needed**. Donation: €55

Rutland Street: We Do Recover South Parish Community Centre Cork

Friday & Sunday 8.00pm

Secretary: Fri Mark W. / Sun Eoin D. Treasurer: Mark C.

GSR: Julia B. G.S.R (alternate)

Average Attendance: 30

Group Report: Attendance is up, meeting going well.

Group Announcements: **GSR & Treasurer needed**.

Donation: € 80

Dominican Centre: Saturday 3.00pm

Average Attendance: 28

Group report: Meeting going well. **GSR needed**.

Cork County

Fermoy: Thursday 8.00pm No report

Skibbereen: Friday 8.00pm

Average Attendance: 6

Group report: All going well.

Youghal: Nagle House Friday 8.00

Average attendance: 7

Secretary/treasurer: Marsha T

GSR: position not filled

Meeting going well- attracting more newcomers and previous newcomers attending regularly.

GSR needed.

Kerry

Tralee Community Development: Monday; Thursday & Saturday 8.00pm No report

Our Lady & St. Brendan's Pastoral Centre, The Presbytery, Upper Rock Street, Tralee: Tuesday & Wednesday 1.30-2.45pm No report

Listowel : Friday 8:00 PM No report

John Street, Dingle: Tuesday 7:30 PM & Friday 8.30

Group report: Thanks to Paul N. (Web Master) for amending the meetings listing, New meeting starting in Dingle as above on Friday, also available for pop up meetings in Dingle.

Average Attendance: 4

Contact Tor 0872220853 or Bert 0831246634)

Killarney Pastoral Centre: Tuesday 8:00 PM

Average Attendance: 4

Group Report: the Thursday 7.30PM meeting has closed until further notice

Talbot Grove: Sunday 8:00 PM

Average Attendance: 12 (including residents)

Group Report: Meeting going well

Waterford

Waterford City: St John's Monday 6.00PM; Tuesday 8.00PM; Friday 8.00PM Saturday 1.00PM & Sunday 8.00PM & **St Francis:** Wednesday 8.00PM

Secretaries - Emma, Eric, Ray, Darragh, Roseann, Phillip, Glen

GSR - Thomas

Treasurer - Phillip

Meetings: Attendance is steady - average attendance 15-20

Group report: All positions are filled.

Average Attendance: 14

Edmund Rice Centre: Thursday 7.00PM

Average Attendance: 7

Group report: Even though the group is small there is a regular attendance, a few new comers. The group held an open meeting there was a high attendance of non-members with positive feedback.

Any other business: At present the group have no agreement with venue on rent, as member who has been dealing with this has left the group, Patrick S. (new GSR & temporary treasurer) hopes to reconcile the agreement ASAP.

Limerick

Abbey field: Monday 8.00PM No Report

Henry Street; Br Russell House: Monday; Wednesday & Friday 8.30PM;

Group report: Anthony K is the new GSR

Donation: €600

St John's Church: Saturday 12.15 & 1PM; Sunday 6.30PM

Tipperary

Nenagh: Monday & Thursday 8.30PM : No Report

Aisieri Cahir: Wednesday 8.30PM : No Report

Roscrea: Saturday 5PM : No Report

Clonmel: Tuesday Friday & Sunday 8.30PM

All service positions are now filled though we struggling to fill the GSR position. We hope over the next coming months to have this rectified.

Meetings going well on Tue/Fri/Sun @ 8.30pm with an average of 11 members.

Donation: €100

Clare

Shannon town, Clare: Sunday 8.30PM : No Report

Clare Ennis Friary: Monday & Thursday 8.30PM; Saturday 9.00PM and

Bushy Park, Ennis, Co. Clare: Friday 8:30 PM :

Secretary: various

Treasurer: Enda M

GSR: Mairead B

Average attendance: 9

Group Announcements: Group is going well. We had a discussion on disruptive behaviour. Please note Saturday night meeting starts at 8.30pm.

Old business: There was discussion around insurance for individual groups versus NA groups as a whole; some members with knowledge of insurance policy are looking into different possibilities that would be most effective and economical.

- Again the problem that is constant in Munster is the lack of members coming forward to fill service positions, this was discussed at area. Area positions are still outstanding: Positions that need to be filled are: Vice Chair; Phone Chair; Outreach; ASR Alternate.

New business:

- Certain meetings are suffering due to members not taking up service positions. For example in Cork city Hillside Solas meeting is without a GSR, Treasurer and the Secretary position is due to be filled with no members coming forward offering service. The meeting is well attended by members.
- The fundraiser would hopefully encourage and educate members on the many benefits of service both for the individual and the fellowship as a whole.
- Also it was pointed out that particularly area service members to relay the message in “NA related announcements” at meetings of the need for service positions to be filled and the positions that are still vacant.
- The phone position was discussed in length at area, the confusion arising from a member saying they would fill the phone chair at the end of area, a few months back, but not have gone through the formal process of being voted in. Then not being able to fulfil the obligation and the phone again being left idle. It was discussed the urgency of the position to be filled; it is the line for the suffering addict to get communication and support through fellowship.
- There was a communication problem between the outgoing GSR for Waterford and the incoming GSR; this matter will be further discussed at next month’s area, looking at the smooth running of fellowship business between members and how they between each other communicate.
- Paul N. (Webmaster) has requested I send the details of the literature shop for GSRs.

<http://www.nasouth.ie/usefullinks.html>

Next Area Sunday April 12th 3pm