

N.A SOUTHEN AREA COMMITTEE REPORT 11TH MAY 2008

ATTENDANCE: Tina, Caoimhe, Dave, Paul, Con, Danny, Finbarr, Michelle, Eric, Marsha, Tom, Paul, Gerry, Martin, Maureen, Robert, Michael, John, Claire.

TRADITION 3: Read by Martin.

APOLOGIES: Liam.

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: New treasurer: Catherine. New literature position: Finbarr. Need tea secretary.

Ennis: Mon: Av . Att. 8, Thursday: Av . Att. 8. New meeting on Saturday at 8.30pm in Friary Hall.

Trinity: Meeting going well. Bertie is new secretary. Av . Att. 30 - 35. Donation: €40. All positions filled.

Clonmel: Av . Att. 6 - 7. All positions filled. Donation: €25.

Dominican Centre: Av . Att: 20 - 25. Meeting going well. Needs treasurer. Donation €130.

Clonakilty: Av . Att: 7(Wed), 3(Sun). All positions filled. No Donation. **SUPPORT NEEDED FOR**

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

Dean St: Av . Att: 30. Donation: €90. All positions filled. Meeting going well.

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

Churchfield (Wednesday): Meeting going well. Av . Att: 6 – 8. G.S.R needed. Donation: €30. **NEEDS**

SUPPORT!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Churchfield (Thursday): Meeting going well. Donation: €40. All position filled. Av . Att: 10 – 15.

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

Nenagh: No Report.

Tralea: No Report.

Listowel: No Report.

Unity: Meeting going well. Av e. Att: 5 - 6. No Donation. Meeting needs a G.S.R and a secretary.

Limerick: Meeting going well. Av . Att: 12 – 16. No Donation. All positions filled.

Shannon: No Report.

Youghal: Meeting starting to pick up again. Av . Att: 4. All positions filled. No Donation.

Skibbereen: Av . Att: 5. No Donation. All positions filled.

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

Mallow: No Report.

Fermoy: Meeting going well. Av . Att: 6. All positions filled. No Donation. **MEETING NEEDS SUPPORT!!!!!!!**

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

VICE-CHAIR:

- Outreach: Support is still needed. Many thanks to Con and to members this month.
- Phone & Office: Everything is fine with the phone.
- Website: Is going well. Nothing to report.
- Literature: Order is in. All is going well. Looking for new secretary.
- Fundraising: Everything is going well. Tickets are selling. Some rooms have been block booked. Things are going to plan.

PHONE & OFFICE:

- Phone is going well.
- Things are getting busier again.
- Thanks to all volunteers.
- Expenses: €20.

LITERATURE:

- Literature will be on sale from 2.30pm on the day of Area and again after Area each month.
- €625.62 worth of literature ordered.
- €280 taken from area reserve until we get the money back from lost postal order.
- May meetings list on the web in PDF version so members can print from website.
- Big thank you to Barry for all his hard work with the meetings list over the last 3 1/2 year.
- Expenses: €61.20

HOSPITALS AND INSTITUTIONS:

- No Report.

FUNDRAISING:

- All going well. We really need the support of members in the promoting of the fundraiser and in the selling of the tickets.
- **COULD G.S.R'S PLEASE ANNOUNCE THE FUNDRAISER IN THEIR GROUPS AND BRING BACK ANY MONEY FROM TICKETS SOLD.**

PUBLIC RELATIONS:

- Nicola did an interview with the 'West Cork People' newspaper about her experience, strength and

hope.

- Two meetings were held on the 7th of May for the Cork City Partnership as part of the Drug Awareness Week. Tina, Fenton, Ciarain and Jenny spoke. Many thanks to Cathal for doing secretary and for his work month's before the event. Special thanks to Elaine for Literature. Expenses: €35.
- John Russell gave his thanks to Narcotics Anonymous for speaking. Ciarain and Jenny spoke.
- There was an open meeting held in Limerick on the 24th of April. Meeting went very well. Gerry and Tina spoke. Thanks to both speakers and a special thanks to the Limerick group and to Gerry for driving up. Expenses: €25.
- There was a Drug Awareness meeting in Macroom for parents. The Garda Drugs unit and Narcotics Anonymous were invited to speak by Cait Clifford. The meeting went well and we were thanked by the Garda and the school. Expenses: €20.
- Expenses for last month: €10.

OUTREACH:

- Support is still required by drivers. Plenty of support offered from various members. Thanks to Con for support given to Youghal group throughout the month.

A.S.R

- The next IRSCNA Convention will be hosted in the western area but as of yet no committee has been elected. A couple of discussions to place around the workshops at conventions in general. It has been proposed that workshops should not turn into speaker meetings.
- There is now a phone-line in the office. The number is 01 400 20 83. An answering service will soon be set. We keep you posted. The ISO are in the process of putting together ISO policy guidelines.
- There may also be a review of pricing as the Euro is very strong against the dollar. The ISO feels that we could probably sell it for less although as of yet the prices remain the same.
- Webmaster needed urgently.
- Documents should be held by secretary both at regional and area level. That is insurance documents, minutes, guidelines etc...

EVENTS:

- Surfing day on 18th May in Garretstown.

Webmaster:

- The website is now online at www.nasouth.ie.
- The N.A south website is running smoothly, there was just one change to the meeting list in the last month. There have been a few emails regarding meetings in the area, which have been responded to. An anonymity issue has arisen in the last month. When member name and second initial were googled the search returned N.A south's monthly minutes with the members name on it.
- 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 amount of time people are taking to share was brought. It is the secretary's job to let people know at the start of the meeting that they would be interrupted and asked to wrap it up if they are talking for a long period of time. It is also the secretary's job to keep an atmosphere of recovery in the meeting.
- The West Cork group brought up the issue of GSR's expenses for travelling to area. There was an uncertainty about who actually covered the expenses, area or the group. It was understood that area paid area representative's i.e. chairperson, secretary and the group pay group representative's i.e. GSR's. If groups can't afford then it's possible area can help or that GSR's shouldn't follow the 7th tradition at meetings.
- The possibility of having a service workshop for the Southern area will be discussed next month.
- 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.

N.A Southern Area Treasurers Report 11/5/2008

Opening Balance	€1648.87
Donations	
Trinity	€40
Dean St	€90
Churchfield Wednesday	€30
Dominican	€130
Churchfield Thursday	€40
YMCA	€57
Clonmel	€25
	+
	€ 412 (Donations)
	€ 2060.87
Expenses	
Rent (Direct Debit)	€ 100.00
Rent (Area Room)	€ 7.00
Secretary	€ 13.00
Literature	€ 41.20

PI	€ 90.00
Phone and Office	€ 20.00
Tabor Lodge Expenses	€ 30.00
Bruree Expenses	€ 20.00
Donation to Region	€300
	- € 621.20 (Expenses)
Closing Balance	€ 1439.67

Prudent Reserve (500)	
Fundraising Reserve (0)	
Convention Reserve (500)	
	- € 1000.00 (Prudent Reserve)
Working Balance	€ 439.67

**NEXT AREA MEETING WILL BE HELD ON 8th JUNE 2008,
in the Y.M.C.A. in CORK at 3pm.
ALL ARE WELCOME.**