

N.A SOUTHEN AREA COMMITTEE REPORT Sunday 11th September

TRADITION: Tradition 9 read by Rob

ATTENDANCE: Elaine B, Dave W, Therese K, Aoife NiL, Karen O'L, Alex S, Lorraine W, Brian D, Johnny L, Rob O'B, George O'M, Dee H, Jenni H, Caroline L, John.

APOLOGIES: Tina & Patrick, Skibbereen.

ELECTIONS: Nobody stood forward for the positions of Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer, Fundraising, Outreach or Webmaster. Alex S was voted into the position of Literature, Tina T was voted into the position of Phone & Office, Lorraine W was voted into the position of H&I, Jenni H was voted into the position of PR, Tom was voted into the position of ASR, Dave W was voted into the position of Events & Workshop (this was made into one committee) and Dee H was voted into the position of ASR Alternate.

GROUP REPORTS:

Y.M.C.A: no report **Ennis Freedom for Today Group:** no report

Ennis Friary Group: All positions filled, Average Attendance 7 & no donation.

Trinity: Meeting going well, average attendance 30, looking for new GSR & Treasurer & Donation of €80.

Clonmel: Average attendance 10, meeting going well, all positions filled, Donation €85.

Dominican Centre:- Sat- Meeting going very well, all positions filled, rent paid & average attendance 30-35. Donation €20.

Dominican Centre- Fri- Average attendance 3-6, needs support, needs a treasurer, all other positions filled. No donation this month but rent is paid.

Dean St: . Average attendance 12, not self supporting, financially supported by secretary. Average donation €12, average expenses €19, no funds for new literature or key tags. Welcoming committee will now need 6 months clean time. Will continue to struggle for Coming month and discuss issue of closure in October. Will examine logistics of change of venue. No donation.

Churchfield (Sunday): meeting going well, average attendance 6-8, looking for treasurer & GSR & waiting on starter pack. No donation.

La Verna: meeting going well, all positions filled, average attendance 30 & donation €70.

Nenagh: no report **Tralea:** no report **Listowel:** no report

Unity: needs treasurer, meeting has restarted after August shut down. Going well. No Donation.

Limerick: no report **Shannon:** no report

Youghal: meeting going well, all positions filled, average attendance 8, no donation

Skibbereen: Average attendance 10, all positions filled, no donation- will make one next month. Looking for new venue- false alarm.

C.U.H. G.F: no report

Fermoy: no report

St. Johns, Waterford: no report **Macroon:** no report

Talbot Grove, Castleisland Kerry: no report **Kilarney:** no report

Aiseiri- Cahir: meeting going great, attendance 15-20 plus, all positions filled, Donation €250.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

VICE-CHAIR: Aoife ni L

- Public Relations- very quiet this month due to schools closure etc. During summer months. Open meeting- no one showed this month.
- Hospitals & Institutions- H&I needs support for speakers at venues (hospital s/treatment centres/prisons etc.)
- Phone & Office- It emerged that a few newcomers went to meetings in Ennis & Killarney & the meetings were not on.
- Literature- New stock of literature needed & new secretary.
- ASR- no report
- Webmaster- No news, meeting list updated.
- Events- no report Outreach- no report- both positions available.
- **GSR's- please read minutes (group conscience can be called at any meeting)**
- No expenses

PHONE & OFFICE:

- No report

LITERATURE: Alex S

- €190 taken in August & €100 float- €290 in Box.
- Did not put in literature order in august due to being away & not having secretary. Sorry.
- Literature chairperson needs a secretary and is looking for one.
- Have given H&I an order today out of stock already in office.
- Expenses €69.18. Meetings list up to date.

HOSPITALS AND INSTITUTIONS: Lorraine W

- Mercy- no longer has a secretary. GSR's would you please take this back to your groups and stress that H&I needs chairs & secretaries to continue to carry the mesage of recover into those who cannot access meetings via the outside.
- Prisons- Cork prison has a new secretary for Friday morning slot. Brendan has agreed to it for the next 3 months.
- Blarney- Blarney has been well attended and thanks to all who spoke there this month. Ber had €10 in expenses however the are covered by the sale of an NA bluebook so the €10 needs to be refunded to literature.

- Tabor Lodge- Tina is secretary for this group and the meeting is well attended. Thanks to all those who continue to support Tabor Lodge by speaking there. €30 expenses.
- Bruree- Gary is the secretary for the Bruree meeting and John went up last month to cover. The meeting is well attended. Gary will keep it on for another month and I will look for a secretary in the mean time.
- Cara Lodge- Con is looking to hand this secretary position up. He will keep it on until we can find someone. I have contacted a few people re this position.
- The panel is asking that the back page of the meeting list be altered to offer contact information for the H&I panel & that GSR's mention in meetings that H&I is looking for speakers. Please contact Lorraine or Bert. Total Expenses €72.50

FUNDRAISING:- Position is still available

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Jenny H

- Public Speaker meeting in La Verna- no one turned up. Thanks to Aoife & Rob for attending to do speakers.
- Schools are starting again this month. We have dates for Dublin Hill & Middleton.
- Meeting in October to discuss presentations for forming a committee and improving attendance to speaker meeting.

OUTREACH:- Position is still available

A.S.R- Mike

- no report.

EVENTS & Service Workshop Committee: no report

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

- Aiseiri Group- Query was raised about the how of opening new meetings & a discussion was held.
- Ennis Group- wanted to know about **Insurance. Area advised that all groups are covered by Insurance as long as their GSR attends Area as this is a condition on the Insurance policy. Copies are available from Dave W.**
- **Treasurers Report-** I, Tanya O'K was treasurer for the Southern Area from Sept 2009 to Sept 2010. The Southern area made a number of donations to Region during the year. The most recent one of 900 euro was made leaving our working balance in minus figures. This was my mistake as when I approved this donation I was taking it from the closing Balance instead of the working balance. Since then our working balance has been quite low and at times not covering our reserves. My recommendation for the next treasurer is not to make the same mistake. We cannot donate to Area unless our working balance is at least 300 or 400 euro. In the current climate

donations are low and expenses can fluctuate from month to month. A healthy working balance can safeguard against those months when our expenses far outweigh our income. Good luck for the coming year. Yours in service, Tanya O'k.

NEXT AREA MEETING WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY 13th NOVEMBER ,

in Y.M.C.A, CORK at 3pm.

ALL ARE WELCOME.