



**Minutes of ASC held in Shaftsbury Square Hospital 9<sup>th</sup> December 2007**

**In Attendance:** Sarah Mc C (chair) Ian M (secretary) Heather B Gary T (lit sec) Peter Mac(treasurer)  
 Steve W Jane M Vincent O David H Ryan R Tracy I

<b>Apologies:</b> Paula S Brian D Emer G Tony C	<b>Previous Minutes:</b> Passed	<b>Traditions:</b> Heather
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**GROUP REPORTS:**

**Monday Clonard** NO REPORT :- verbally reported that this is a good meeting going well with a Strong message of recovery

**Monday Downshire** See Newcastle

**Tuesday City Church** NO REPORT

**Tuesday Sr Concillio's (Newry)**

All service positions filled. Steady newcomers coming in, carrying a good message of recovery.

Attendance 10-12  
 Starting balance :- £45.50  
 Rent :- £20.00  
 Literature :- £30.00  
 Closing balance :- £25.50

**Tuesday Creggan** NO REPORT

**Wednesday City Church** NO REPORT

**Wednesday University Street** NO REPORT

**Wednesday Letterkenny** NO REPORT

**Thursday Ballynafiegh** NO REPORT

**Thursday Downshire** See Newcastle

**Friday University st.**

Thanks to Sarah for her service as secretary and welcome to Billy. Also thanks to Niki for his service. Meeting going well average 12-16 members with newcomers attending carrying a good message of recovery Needs support from members with a long clean time to share their experience of the steps with newer members all service positions filled except **Tea person**

Rent paid Nov & Dec  
 Starting balance £32.69  
 Donation to Area £0.00  
 Expenses £0.00  
 Closing Balance £32.69

**Friday Coleraine**

All service positions filled. Group doing great, numbers up to 5-8. visitors welcome.

Starting balance £70.00  
 Rent Donation  
 Literature £50.00  
 Donation to Area £0.00  
 Expenses £0.00  
 Closing Balance £20.00

**Friday Newcastle**

Starting balance £139.01  
Donation to Area £50.00  
Closing Balance £50.00

All meetings carrying a good message of recovery could use support. Saturday morning meeting  
Is closed until the new year due to family commitments of the festive period will re open asap

**Saturday Newcastle** Temporarily closed until new year re opening before the end of Jan 2008

**Saturday University Street**

'Just for Today' (literature) based meeting. Average attendance 8 - 12 and newcomers attending.  
Strong message of recovery carried.

Donations each week are down so folks dig deep to help cover rent and any possible donations to the ASC.

Starting balance £34.00  
Rent paid until end of November  
Literature £20.00  
Donation none this month  
Closing Balance £13.75 (to be confirmed when treasurer returns)

**MEETING NOT TAKING ENOUGH TO COVER RENT..... NEEDS SUPPORT.**

**Saturday Shaftsbury Square** NO REPORT

**Saturday Newry (Edward st)**

All service positions filled. Solid start, meeting up and running with a good service structure  
Carrying a clean and clear N.A. message with speakers from Dublin supporting.

Had recent press release about the Newry meetings. Hopefully will see some newcomers  
support required **meeting is at 8.00 pm on Saturday**

Starting balance £57.31 + 10.33 euro  
Rent £30.00 (paid until Dec 29<sup>th</sup>)  
Literature £30.00 ordered  
Donation to Area £10.00 + 10.33 euro  
Closing Balance £17.31

**Sunday Shaftsbury Square**

All service positions filled carrying a good message of recovery

Starting balance £29.50  
Rent £0.00  
Literature £0.00  
Donation to Area £20.00  
Closing Balance £9.50

**Sunday Derry** NO REPORT

**Phone line report:** NO REPORT

Jeanne would like to announce that her year as co-ordinator is up in January and is looking to hand the  
service position over at this time

**Literature report:** See attached pages for up to date stock lists

**Website report:** full report available from Ian M.

**A.S.R report:** Report in full enclosed

**P.R. committee report:** 18/11/2007

Attendance 8 : Heather B(sec) Lauren F David H Barry T Kieran C Jane M Emer G Christie R  
Committee has been set up to share the work load. Each member has been given a task posters are  
required. **Next meeting :20/1/2008**

**Treasurer report:**

**NORTHERN AREA TREASURER REPORT**  
**DECEMBER 2007**

<b><u>DONATIONS</u></b>		<b><u>EXPENSES</u></b>
<b><u>Newry (sat night) £10.00 + 10.33 euros</u></b>		<b><u>yellow pages £19.00</u></b>
<b><u>Shaftsbury (sun) £20.00</u></b>		<b><u>prison literature £440.00</u></b>
<b><u>Newcastle £50.00</u></b>		<b><u>prison expenses £ 30.00</u></b>
<b><u>BALANCE</u></b>	<b><u>ACCOUNT</u></b>	<b><u>FLOAT</u></b>
	<b><u>£232.85</u></b>	<b><u>£149.54</u></b>
		<b><u>10.33 euros</u></b>

**Prison report** Full report enclosed

**AOB:**

- Tuesday Creggan Gary T to contact about g.s.r reports
- Donation to region to be discussed at next area meeting
- Vote for Sarah Mc C as new Area chair person
- Tracy has asked for an opinion on a national meeting list booklet
- Welcome to Sarah Mc C as chairperson (many thanks to Paula S for her service)
- Groups: Please provide reports on finances and meeting attendance for inclusion in ASC minutes.
- All members have a happy peaceful & serene Christmas and new year

**NEXT MEETING:** 9th December 2007

L&F Ian M



09/12/2007

Item No	Description	Price €	Price £
<b>BOOKS</b>			
1101	NA Basic Text	€12.00	£
8801	Basic Text on Audio Tape (Set of 3)	€12.00	£
	Basic Text 20th Ann Ed	€30.00	£2
1112	Just For Today	€11.00	£
	Just For Today Gift Ed Hard Cover	€18.00	£1
1140	It Works: How and Why	€11.00	£
	Basic Journal	€10.00	£
	The NA Step Working Guide	€11.00	£
	Sponsorship Experience Basic Text	€10.00	£
<b>BOOKLETS ETC</b>			
1200	Introductory Guide	€2.80	£
1164	12 Concepts of NA Service	€2.10	£
1500	Small White Book	€1.10	£
1600	The Group Booklet	€1.10	£
1601	Behind The Walls	€1.10	£
1603	In Times of Illness	€1.10	£
1604	NA A Resource In Your Community	€0.50	£
3102	IP2 - The Group	€0.45	£
3117	IP17 - For Those In Treatment	€0.45	£
3121	IP21 - The Loner - Staying Clean in Isolation	€0.45	£
3110	IP10 - Working Step 4 In NA About Narcotics Anonymous (New PI Pamphlet)	€1.10 €0.50	£ £
<b>INFORMATION PAMPHLETS</b>			
3101	IP1 - Who What How & Why	€0.33	£
3105	IP5 - Another Look	€0.33	£
3106	IP6 - Recovery & Relapse	€0.33	£
3107	IP7 - Am I An Adict	€0.33	£
3108	IP8 - Just For Today	€0.33	£
3109	IP9 - Living the Program	€0.33	£
3111	IP11 - Sponsorship	€0.33	£
3112	IP12 - The Triangle of Self Obsession	€0.33	£
3113	IP13 - Youth & Recovery	€0.33	£
3114	IP14 - One Adicts Experience of Recovery	€0.33	£
3115	IP15 - Public Information & The NA Member	€0.33	£
3116	IP16 - For The Newcomer	€0.33	£
3119	IP19 - Self Acceptance	€0.33	£
3120	IP20 - Hospitals, Institutions & The NA Member	€0.33	£
3122	IP22 - Welcome to NA	€0.33	£
3123	IP23 - Staying Clean on the Outside	€0.33	£
3124	IP24 - Hey Whats The Basket For?	€0.33	£
<b>POSTERS</b>			
LARGE	12 Steps & 12 Traditions (Set)	€9.00	£

SMALL	Serenity Prayer	€1.40	£
SMALL	3 Step Prayer	€1.40	£
SMALL	Just For Today	€1.40	£
SMALL	My Gratitude Speaks	€1.40	£

#### ANNIVERSARY KEYRINGS

	Welcome (Just For Today)	€0.55	£
	30 Days	€0.55	£
	60 Days	€0.55	£
	90 Days	€0.55	£
	6 Months	€0.55	£
	9 Months	€0.55	£
	1 Year	€0.55	£
	18 Months	€0.55	£
	Multiple Years	€0.55	£

#### ANNIVERSARY MEDALLIONS

	1 - Infinity	€3.50	£
	4 Years		£
	5 Years		£
	6 Years		£
	7 Years		£
	8 Years		£
	10 Years		£
	12 years		£

#### SET OF READINGS 7

	NOT SOLD SEPERATLY 5 LOOSE	€7.00	£
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#### HANDBOOKS & GUIDES

	A Guide to Local Services In NA	€8.00	£
	Hospitals & Institutions Handbook (With Tape)	€10.00	£
	A Guide to Public Information	€5.50	£
	A Guide to World Services In NA	€5.00	£
	Literature Committee Handbook	€4.00	£
	Handbook for NA Newsletters	€3.00	£
	A Guide to Phoneline Service	€5.00	£
	Convention Guidelines	€5.00	£
	Treasurers Handbook	€3.00	£
	Group Treasurers Workbook	€3.00	£
	Group Treasurers Record Pad (For 13 Months)	€1.00	£
	Outreach Resource Information	€4.00	£
	Additional Needs Resource Information	€4.00	£
	Institutional Group Guide	€5.00	£
	Basic MUG	€10.00	£
	NA Wallet Cards (10) With all Readings	€1.00	£

## **ASR Report to Northern Area for RSCI NA held on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2007.**

There were not enough officers and ASRs present to form a quorum (2 ASRs and 4 officers needed, 1 ASR and 4 officers present). The meeting was opened without a quorum, meaning we could proceed without making decisions.

Positions available at Region are:

- Vice Chair
- H & I
- Secretary
- Vice Treasurer
- Regional Convention chair and Regional Convention Treasurer for 2008 not elected at this time will be up for election at the next Regional meeting in January.

### **PR Co-Ordinator's report:**

Let Conor know about any events and they can be advertised.

Can link to site about guidelines etc. Also to incorporate a link on meeting lists and to Irish region.

Is there a Nar anon number for the Northern Area? If so can this please be sent to Conor.

[www.edma.org](http://www.edma.org)

Programme on RTE 1<sup>st</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> so a spine of calls expected.

### **Regional Delegate Report to Irish Region:**

RD's are available to facilitate workshops on:

- Who is Missing from our Meetings?
- Building Stronger Home Groups
- Atmosphere of Recovery
- Area Planning Tool
- Public Image
- Infrastructure
- Leadership in NA

These are available at the request of the Area.

The RD participated in an EDM ad-hoc committee on Zonal Nomination procedures. This is to define how candidates can be nominated by the European Delegates Meeting to positions at World Service level.

The RD distributed copies of the new Service pamphlets. It was pointed out that they have already been approved, as the World Service Conference gave the World Board the authority to produce them at the last Conference.

Examples of new medallions were shown, that we have been asked to give feedback on. As there was no quorum, we couldn't make a recommendation on which ones. Individual members and other service Committees can fill out an online survey about the medallions at <http://www.na.org/catalog/med-choice.htm>

### **Strategic Planning Meeting**

To be arranged. Questionnaires to be given out at Area meeting.

There was a brief discussion at Region about the Strategic Plan, and the importance of effective regional communications was emphasised, especially in having concise minutes and reports. The lack of a Regional Parents-and-Carers Committee and Regional Fundraising and Events Committee was also noted.

**European Delegates Meeting.** There will be elections at the next EDM for Vice-Chair, Treasurer and Alternate Treasurer. Anyone interested in going forward for any of these positions can get more details by sending a mail to [edm\\_na@yahoo.com](mailto:edm_na@yahoo.com). There are more details about what the EDM is and does on [www.edmna.org](http://www.edmna.org).

The South-Eastern Area has requested the RD and RD Alt to conduct an Area Planning Tool workshop in Waterford on January 11<sup>th</sup>.

The RD noted that a new parents-and-carers meeting is being set up in South Dublin. This is to help members who need to take their kids or other dependents to meetings.

### **Eastern Area Ad-hoc Inventory**

Motion about booklet for all of Ireland. This Area are requesting meeting booklet.

EAC being held 11-13<sup>th</sup> April 2008 at Parkview Hotel, Wicklow 00353 1 201 5600.

### **Convention**

Convention Chair Finbar sent apologies. Convention Treasurer Joe gave a partial financial report. The importance of a final Convention Committee report was stressed. This report, detailing what worked well and what could have worked better, contains valuable experience to be passed on to the next Committee. The report is to be provided at the next Regional meeting, along with a closing financial report.

### **ISOC**

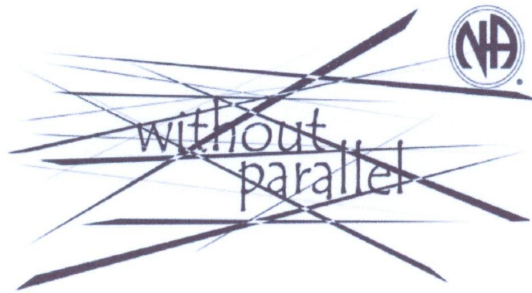
The shop is well stocked. Literature sales are down, mainly due to lack of custom from the Eastern Area. A computer, phone line and cash register have been purchased. Many thanks to Finbar in Cork and Camilla and Brendan in Galway for their help in getting good rates for the computer and till. As soon as the till is operational, every transaction in the shop will have a receipt.

The ISO ad-hoc Guidelines Committee (Andy R, Joe H, Conor H) met to discuss the operation of the ISO. As Andy is the most experienced member, he will draw up the procedural guidelines on how the shop is run. These will be passed over to the new ISO Chair and Treasurer at the AGM in May.

### **AOB**

Time is running out for members who may want to complete the Membership Survey. The deadline is 31 December 2007. Please encourage others to complete the survey online or mail us completed surveys by the end of the year. The link is <http://naws.org/surveys/index.php?sid=1>.

There was a discussion about the Tuesday Sister Conceilos group in Newry. The principle of personal recovery depending on NA unity was felt to be an appropriate starting point for a discussion within the group. Northern Area requested a Regional workshop on Unity /Building Stronger Home Groups to be held in Newry. Agreed in principle, decision needs to be confirmed at next Regional meeting. Irene is available after January 15<sup>th</sup> 2008 – please feed back at next Area meeting with agreeable dates and ASR will get this confirmed.



Maghberry Prison

Nov-Dec

We have had a few problems with getting speakers cleared to go into the jail, to date I have had 2 people turned away from the prison. I have spoke in depth with my point of contact about this matter and he was himself very disappointed by the treatment of us from his staff. He called for a meeting of the board of governors to try to sort out this matter and to explain that there will be people coming in to share at the meeting who have been in jail themselves as it is part of the result of active addiction.

There is an average of 5 going to the meeting and some newcomers.

In addition, the prison wants me to look into the possibility of have a workshop to the main body of the prison. With us, bringing people in from outside the prison in to do an all-daylong workshop. I will keep area informed of any movement on this issue

Expenses £30, which the Newcastle Group have already given me. Please refund the Newcastle Group £30.

In fellowship

Brian D