



Minutes of ASC held in Ballynafeigh 11th January 2009

In Attendance: Ian M (secretary) Steve W Peter Mac Sarah Mc C(Chair)
 Shane C Stevie M Derek Paul H John McL Simon L Brian D
 Geoff B Michael D Caer Bernard Tony C Emmet MCK
 Jackie M Kelly H

<u>Apologies:</u> Gary T Ryan R Heather B	<u>Previous Minutes:</u> Passed	<u>Traditions:</u> Stevie M
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GROUP REPORTS:

Monday Clonard

Verbal report from Peter Meeting going well
 Starting balance £
 Rent £
 Literature £ NO REPORT
 Donation to Area £
 Closing Balance £

Monday Downshire See Newcastle

Tuesday City Church

All positions filled. Average attendance 12. welcome to Phillip and Lisa .Thanks to Heather for her service
 Starting balance £ 8.89
 Rent £
 Literature £
 Donation to Area £ 20.00
 Closing Balance £ 21.65

Tuesday Sr Concillio's (Newry)

THIS GROUP NEEDS AG.S.R.

Meeting going well. Still attracting newcomers everybody welcome. Thanks to all who come from Dundalk/Belfast to support the meeting.
 Starting balance £ 87.00
 Rent £ 20.00
 Literature £ 15
 Donation to Area £ 30+ 10 euros
 Closing Balance £ 22.00

Wednesday Lisburn

Meeting going well with attendance of 6-7. Request people with enough clean time to share their experience strength and hope. Hi/pi are setting up a poster campaign for the Lisburn area. We would like to request the committee putting on a public information meeting in Lisburn.
 Starting balance £ 22.44
 Rent £ end of January
 Literature £
 Donation to Area £
 Closing Balance £ 22.44

Wednesday shaftsbury sq (traditions meeting)

Meeting needs support from long term members to share experience on the traditions

All service positions filled. Thanks to Sarah Mc C for her service. Welcome to Phillip as secretary. Meeting going well carrying a good message of recovery.

Starting balance	£63.00
Rent	£
Literature	£ 60.00
Donation to Area	£ 0.00
Closing Balance	£ 3.00

Wednesday Letterkenny

Could do with support in numbers please

All service positions filled. We have decided to start a new meeting in Donegal/ Letterkenny would like to get area's opinion as to where to start it.

Starting balance	£37.00 + 81.70 euros
Rent	£ 30.00
Literature	£
Donation to Area	£ 20.00
Closing Balance	£ 17.00 + 51.70 euros

Thursday Ballynafiegh

THIS GROUP NEEDS A.....G.S.R

Good message of recovery. Attendance 6-9 keeping money to pay rent in future.

Starting balance	£ 88.11
Rent	£
Literature	£ need to order
Donation to Area	£ 0.00
Closing Balance	£ 88.11

Thursday Downshire

See Newcastle

Friday University st.

MEETING NEEDS SUPPORT FROM OLD AND NEW MEMBERS

IT WOULD BE GOOD TO HAVE LONG TERM MEMBERS TO SHARE THEIR EXPERIENCE ON THE STEPS AND THEIR RECOVERY

THIS MEETING NEEDS A.....SECRETARY

Meeting going well rent paid until the end of April. Thanks to Jeanne for her service as secretary.

Average attendance 15

Starting balance	£ 56.00
Rent	£ 50.00
Literature	£
Donation to Area	£
Closing Balance	£ 6.00

Friday Creggan

All service positions filled. Meeting going well 4-5 core members. Self supporting, good message of recovery.

Starting balance	£ 75.00
Rent	£ paid
Literature	£ 50.00
Donation to Area	£
Closing Balance	£ 20.00

Friday Coleraine

Starting balance	£	
Rent	£	NO REPORT
Literature	£	
Donation to Area	£	
Closing Balance	£	

Friday Newcastle

All meetings going well attendance between 10-12. All positions filled. Request females with clean time to attend as we have had a few female newcomers and no long term ones to introduce them to. We are hoping to hold a P.I. meeting as soon as possible to professionals etc. in the area to try and improve relations with them.

Starting balance	£ 117.72
Rent	£ paid until 4 th april
Expenses	£ 40.00 (paper ad)
Literature	£ 0.00
Donation to Area	£ 27.00
Closing Balance	£ 50.00

Saturday Newcastle

THIS MEETING IS NOW CLOSED

Saturday university street (am)

Support Required Urgently

Starting balance	£	
Rent	£	
Literature	£	
Donation to Area	£	NO REPORT
Expenses	£	
Closing Balance	£	

Saturday university st

URGENTLY NEEDS SUPPORT

All positions filled thank you to all former service positions and welcome to all new position fillers.

Starting balance	£ 83.35
Rent	£ 80.00
Literature	£
Donation to Area	£
Expenses	£
Closing Balance	£ 3.35

Sunday Ballynafeigh

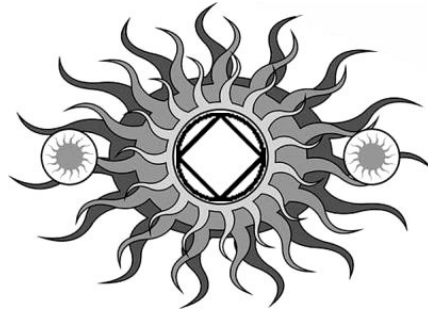
Starting balance	£	
Rent	£	
Literature	£	
Donation to Area	£	NO REPORT
Expenses	£	
Closing Balance	£	

Sunday Derry

Meeting going well. Attendance up and down. Key person for Jan 09 is Lee. Good message of recovery. Made a donation to Mind Yourself for rent. Need to buy gas.

Starting balance	£ 245.00
Rent	£ 20.00
Literature	£ 60.00
Expenses	£ 25.00
Donation to Area	£160.00
Closing Balance	£ 20.00

Literature report:



Narcotics Anonymous literature Report Jan 09

I have topped up all literature and now have almost a full array of literature. With the exception of the new Basic Texts which are paid for and on order they should be here within the next 14 days also I could not get any of the new i.p.'s for young addicts by young addicts. After completing a full inventory of lit sales for the past 6 months we have lost £150 due to the exchange rate and also due to giving medals and key rings out to groups and individuals and not getting paid for them. I have spoke to the previous literature secretary who informed me that this happens and we always lose money on the exchange rate. The reason why we have lost so much this time is to the drop of the strength of the pound. After speaking to area secretary and the old literature secretary, it was agreed I would get an additional £300 for stock which I received. in my opinion it is clear we must take some steps to stop this loss, I have spoke to some members to get some ideas of how we could stop this loss I think we should discuss this in detail now.

1. Raise the price of all literature to match the price in the euro with the exception of the basic text as it is the most important price of literature we have. I suggest area subsidizes any loss of funds to do with the basic texts therefore, basic text to stay at £10 all other literature to be raised in price.
2. Start buying our literature from the uk main land this should be cheaper and should save money if a big order is made with b.t £8.75 and jft's for £6.75. There is no doubt this is a big saving on what we are paying but this comes with its own problems. We would be breaking the service / donation line between us and region. And could be interrupted as our area breaking away from region.
3. Buy straight from W.S in Belgium with orders of £1000 getting us a discount and enabling us to cover all expenses with no real short fall. But again this breaks the line between us and region.

One thing that should be took into account is that the mark up in prices in literature in region this is because of expenses they have e.g. rent for the shop ect and they are selling b.t's for less than they are buying them.

Yours in service Brian d

Website report:

Web Report January 2009

Usage Statistics

December had **7844** unique visitors and January has had **2069** so far.

Contact

There has been contact from an addict in Ballymena wondering why there aren't any meetings there. I explained that meetings has opened and closed a couple of times in that area and if he were to start a meeting, area would support it with literature etc.

There was also an inquiry from a health care professional wondering if there were any open meetings outside of Belfast, in Newry specifically. I replied that there wasn't and forwarded the mail onto the the H&I/PI committee to see if there were any upcoming PI events in that area.

As always, copies of all emails available on request.

In service,

Steve W
11th January 2009

Treasurer report:

NORTHERN AREA TREASURER REPORT

PREVIOUS - _____ **Account £ 349.79** **Float £ 265**
20 Euros

JANUARY 2009

Donations

Tuesday
City church £20

Newry
Sr.Concillios £30+10 Euros

Wednesday
Letterkenny £20

Friday
Newcastle £27

Sunday
FOYLE £160

Expenses

P+I (BRIAN D) £ 300
20 EUROS

yellow pages £18

Fuel to Letterkenny Area Meeting

Ian £20

Peter £20

H+I
(RUBBER STAMPS) £30

ACCOUNT
£259.79

TOTAL=£483.79+10EUROS

FLOAT
££224+10 EUROS

Treasurer Peter mac

P&I/H&I report

AOB:

P&I/H&I committee meeting to take place on **last Wednesday of each month support required**

A.S.R.....POSITION HAS BEEN FILLED WE STILL REQUIRE AN ALTERNATE

DUE TO MONEY AND LIT ETC GOING MISSING IT IS SUGGESTED THAT NO NA PROPERTY BE LEFT IN ANY MEETING TO AVOID FURTHER PROBLEMS

NEW MEETING OPENING WED NIGHT LISBURN 7.30-8.30

ALL MEMBERS TO GIVE GARY T CLEAN TIME BIRTHDAYS TO ALLOW HIM TO PREPARE MEDALS ETC.

THERE ARE A LOT OF SERVICE POSITIONS VACANT PLEASE CONSIDER TAKING ONE IF YOU HAVE THE CLEAN TIME

Groups: Please provide reports on finances and meeting attendance for inclusion in ASC minutes.

PLEASE NOTE ANY MEETING CHANGES AS SOME HAVE MOVED PREMISIS

We would like to thank the Letterkenny / Derry groups for the great day had at January's area meeting.

Thank you to Adrian and Shane for all their hard work on the phone line training days. Excellent job.

NEXT MEETING: 8th March 2009

MEETING WILL BE IN BALLYNAFEIGH