



**Meeting needs support from long term members to share experience on the traditions. THIS MEETING NEEDS A GSR AND A TREASURER**

Meeting going well otherwise. We have also got loads of literature and also gave staff literature towards our rent.

Starting balance	£ 19.77
Rent	£ ----
Literature	£ ----
Donation to Area	£ 20.00
Closing Balance	£ 4.27

**Wednesday Letterkenny**

**Could do with support in numbers please**

All service positions filled. Meeting going well. Average numbers 5-15. Looking for a new Treasurer.

Starting balance	£ 26.00 + 90euros
Rent	£ 60euro paid til end of May
Literature	£ 42euro spent this month
Expenses	£ -----
Donation to Area	£ No Donation
Closing Balance	£ 30euro + £26.00

**Thursday Ballynafiegh**

**THIS GROUP NEEDS A.....G.S.R AND A SECRETARY AT END OF JUNE**

Good message of recovery. Attendance 16-20

Starting balance	£ 57.13
Rent	£ paid to end of June
Literature	£ ????????????
Donation to Area	£ 20.00
Closing Balance	£ 13.95

**Thursday Downshire**

**See Newcastle**

**Friday University st.**

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

**Friday Creggan**

All service positions filled. Meeting going well 4-5 core members. Self supporting, good spiritual message of recovery. Would like some older members to share experience, strength and hope.

Starting balance	£ ????
Rent	£ paid up to date
Literature	£ ----
Donation to Area	£ No Donation
Closing Balance	£ ????

**Friday Coleraine**

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

**Friday Newcastle**

All meetings going well, Attendance between 7-9. 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. BBQ 31<sup>ST</sup> MAY MURLOUGH HOUSE DUNDRUM. TICKETS ARE £7.50. ASK ANY MEMBER OF NEWCASTLE GROUP FOR INFO ON WHO TO CONTACT. THIS IS AN OPEN MEETING FOR FAMILYS AND FRIENDS. CHILDREN UNDER 12 GO FOR FREE. BOUNCY CASTLE FOR KIDS.

Starting balance	£ 157.00
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Rent	£ ----
Expenses	£ ----
Literature	£ ----
Donation to Area	£ No donation until after bbq
Closing Balance	£ 190.00 approx

**Friday Crumlin Road**

**THIS MEETING IS NOW CLOSED**

**Saturday Newcastle**

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**Saturday university street (am)**

**NEEDS A GSR**

Thanks to Lorraine for taking on tea duties. £40 FOR RENT WAS PUT UNDER THE OFFICE DOOR A MONTH AGO BUT PRISON FELLOWSHIP HAVE NO KNOWLEDGE OF IT, HENCE NO DONATION. Prison Fellowship have mentioned they get charged for every note and coin they lodge into the bank. Shane is investigating other means of transferring funds to them. Attendance 10-12

Starting balance	£ ----
Rent	£ paid until end of May
Literature	£ ----
Donation to Area	£ No Donation
Expenses	£ ----
Closing Balance	£ 49.71

**Saturday university st (pm)**

**URGENTLY NEEDS SUPPORT**

All positions filled. Good message of recovery. Needs more women speakers. Average 5-6 per meeting.

Struggling to pay rent every month

Starting balance	£ 16.00
Rent	£ paid to end of May
Literature	£ ----
Donation to Area	£ No Donation
Expenses	£ ----
Closing Balance	£ 16.00

**Sunday Ballynaveigh**

Meeting going well. NEEDS A GSR AND TEA PERSON. Average attendance 17-20, Rent increased by £5 per week. Meeting owes an amount of money to literature secretary for medals.

Starting balance	£ 84.81
Rent	£ paid until 8 <sup>th</sup> June
Literature	£ 40.00
Donation to Area	£ No Donation
Expenses	£ ----
Closing Balance	£ 8.94

**Sunday Derry (Foyle)**

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

## **Literature report:**

NO REPORT THIS MONTH, LITERATURE SECRETARY SENDS APOLOGIES.

## **Website report:**

### **Web Report May 2009**

#### **Statistics**

April had **5441** unique visitors in total and May has had **1626** so far.

#### **Contact**

Only a small amount of contact since last area business meeting. There have been a number of entries on the guestbook and Region forwarded on an updated history of NA in Ireland which I distributed.

#### **Development**

The forum is still online. I still haven't put enough time and effort into upgrading it to the latest version of the software but I have discussed anti-spam measures with other people and do have a plan of action.

In service,

Steve W  
10<sup>th</sup> May 2009

## **AREA TREASURER REPORT MAY 2009**

Last month £441

Donations

WEDNESDAY  
Shaftsbury square £20

THURSDAY  
Ballynafeigh £20

Treasurer Peter Mac

Expenses

Yellow pages £18  
BUNCRANA starter pack £50  
H+I Whiteoaks £20

TOTAL BALANCE £393

## **P&I/H&I report**

In attendance:

Duff(jftduff76@googlemail.com)

Shane (irishaddict@gmail.com)

Josephine (foxylady6006@hotmail.co.uk)

Lorraine

Not in attendance:

Stevie ([stephenmahon82@live.co.uk](mailto:stephenmahon82@live.co.uk))

Ryan

### Agenda:

1. Meeting list
2. Phone line co-ordinator
3. Hospitals and Institutions
4. Posters
5. Public information
6. Any other business

1) New meeting in Donegal. Waiting on information. Shane has the list on computer, we can use as template. When information comes in we need to announce around the meetings and ask Steve W to put onto website.

2) Phonenumber -One year clean time. (May consider less) Shane will work on role for three months with them.

3) Jail – It has been 3 months since the last meeting due to strike in prison. Consider asking people to write letters to the prisoners and if they had internet access we could see about going into online chat room and talk to them.

White Oaks County Donegal need literature (white books and pamphlets). Northlands (Derry) have requested a presentation every six weeks when new people come in to institution. Prison forms for Republic of Ireland have been filled in and sent to our fellow members in Dublin. 15 people filled in forms in total. Thanks to Stevie M for organizing them. There are no volunteers for Magilligan Prison so therefore it can't go ahead.

4) Yes local areas can put their Meeting Address on the NA Posters if they want. (Duff to let them know).

- 5) A Ballymurphy group have not approached P and I therefore we could not vote on it due to lack of information. Dungannon Group want a P and I meeting though they have not informed Public information committee. (Duff to find out details).

### AOB:

Forefront of the committee is to do the business that it already has committed itself to. Main aim is to find Phone line co-ordinator. (Shane to write letter to each group to announce the role in meetings).

AS YOU CAN SEE THE PUBLIC INFORMATION COMMITTEE IS VERY SMALL. NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS IS GETTING LARGER THROUGHOUT THE NORTHERN AREA. THERE IS A PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING ON THE LAST WEDNESDAY OF EVERY MONTH AT 39 UNIVERSITY STREET BELFAST. IN ORDER FOR THIS COMMITTEE TO KEEP RUNNING WE NEED SUPPORT FROM OTHER MEMBERS OLD AND NEW!!!!

## A.S.R Report April 09

Ryan R here acting as the Northern Area Service Representative. I attended the Regional Committee meeting of Narcotics Anonymous on March 29.

At the meeting the 4 areas were represented. The chairperson, secretary, treasurer, P.R co-ordinator, chair of the I.S.O, Regional delegate and Regional delegate alternate were all in attendance.

The traditions were read by Roisin V at the beginning.

Important issues that arose during the meeting include the following,

**ISO recently received a regular Product Newsflash from the WSO. Contained in this was a small sidebar reading as follows:**

WSO-Europe

**WSO-Europe literature prices change monthly to reflect US dollar exchange rates, a practice that no longer makes any economic or operational sense. We will standardize these prices in Euros, eliminating the need for constant currency conversions. Effective 1 July 2009, Literature purchased through WSO-Europe will be priced the same in Euros as it is in dollars. For example, an \$11 Sixth Edition Basic Text will be @11. We will continue to work with communities that receive additional discounts, subsidies, or free literature.**

**The current exchange rate for the Euro against the Dollar is @1 = \$1.35. Using the example above, the book that costs \$11 in the US will cost \$14.85 in Europe from 1 July 2009. This increase will be mirrored on the complete range of WSO products. The ISO are in discussion with the WSO in both Los Angeles and Brussels regarding this serious financial change.**

What this means is that the cost of literature is set to be considerably increased. This issue was talked over and it was felt that the proposed changes by World Service Office were unwelcome. In effect the literature prices would increase by 30-40%.

The Regional delegate has been given the go ahead to talk to his counterparts within other European N.A communities and to see how they feel on the issue and see if there is anything that can be done or if there are any ways around this.

**The next Regional N.A convention is going to be held in the Northern Area and will require a chair and a treasurer, so if anyone is interested in these positions can they please put their names forward..**

**Regional Strategic Planning.** After consultation with the fellowship including a series of workshops around the country in 2007 and 2008, an NA Regional Strategic Plan has been developed for 2009 to 2012. To carry out the wishes of the fellowship the Region will actively promote and deliver service workshops throughout Ireland. A Regional Service Conference starting in 2010 and intend to create three new elected positions at Region. These are: **Regional Events Chair, Regional Literature Chair, Regional Parents and Carers Chair.**

This information will go to the Area, then the groups. Barring objection, the positions will then be created, and individuals voted into the positions at the Regional AGM, the last Sunday in May. **If anyone is interested in these positions, please present yourself at that meeting.**

**The next IRSC meeting will take place on Sunday 31st May 2009 at 1pm in The Blessed Sacrament Chapel on Bachelors Walk, Dublin.**

### **A.O.B**

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

**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**

**FROM 19/04/09 IT HAS BEEN AGREED THAT AREA WILL PAY EXTRA FOR LITERATURE STARTER PACKS. THESE WILL NOW INCLUDE A BASIC TEXT, A JUST FOR TODAY, SOME LEAFLETS, SOME MEETING LISTS AND SOME SMALL WHITE BOOKS**

**MY EMAIL IS [stephenmahon82@live.co.uk](mailto:stephenmahon82@live.co.uk) IF ANYONE CANT MAKE THE AREA MEETING FEEL FREE TO EMAIL ME THE GSR REPORT IN A MICROSOFT DOCUMENT TO SUIT THE SOFTWARE ON MY COMPUTER.**

**. IT HAS BEEN REQUESTED WHITE OAKS IN COUNTY DONEGAL LODGE A GSR REPORT EVERY MONTH TO AREA ABOUT LITERATURE AND NEWCOMERS AND AMOUNT OF PEOPLE ATTENDING MEETING BECAUSE AREA HAVE BEEN SPENDING A LOT OF MONEY ON LITERATURE FOR THIS MEETING!!!**

**. PLEASE MENTION AROUND MEETINGS THAT THERE ARE 2 SERVICE POSITIONS UP FOR GRABS FOR THE 2010 NORTHERN AREA CONVENTION.... THESE POSITIONS ARE CHAIRPERSON AND TREASURER**

**. THE FRIDAY AND SATURDAY UNIVERSITY STREET MEETINGS ARE CURRENTLY LOOKING INTO WAYS OF PAYING RENT BECAUSE OF RECENT RENT MONEY GOING MISSING LAST MONTH..**

**NEXT MEETING: 14th June 2009**

**MEETING WILL BE IN BALLYNAFEIGH**

In Service

Stevie M