



Agenda

Area C Assembly of Alcoholics Anonymous

at CC.W.A Hall

corner of Sydney St. and Ocean Beach St. Umina

Saturday, 16th July 2016 @ 2:00pm

Serenity Prayer (said by all)

Read Tradition Two:

Meeting type: Area Assembly

Attendance:

Voting:

Non-voting:

Apologies:

Minutes from previous meeting:

Business arising: nil

REPORTS

Delegate Report

Not a lot has happened so far with the Delegates job but then again I did not expect much to happen just yet.

I am now on 3 Conference Committees which include:

- International Committee
- P.I & CPC
- Remote Communities

So far the International Committee is the only one where anything has happened with discussions regarding a proposed topic for Conference on the agenda. I am looking forward to being involved on these Committees in the future.

Area C has submitted 2 “Topics for Conference” this year 1/ being a suggestion of Compensation for Convention host Area's and 2/ as an addition to the Convention Guidelines to remind Host planning Committees the need to suggest to Groups and Districts the need to financially support Area's over donations to the conventions.

Where possible we need to remind ***our*** Groups of the need for financial support for the Area- this is their Area and they need to support it. The fund raising effort of the upcoming Cessnock 1 day Round-up is a great example of that.

Andrew Millar
Delegate Area C

Secretary's Report

Correspondence from Lenny S

CESSNOCK LIVING SOBER GROUP AND CESSNOCK STEPS GROUP MEMBERS ARE HOLDING A DAY OF GRATITUDE

Saturday – 6th August 2016

Venue:- Salvation Army Hall, Cnr of Cumberland and Hall Streets, Cessnock

Program:-

9:30am -1hr Steps Meeting – Hosted by Cessnock Big Book and Steps Group

10:30 Morning Tea

11:00 - 1hr Living Sober Meeting – Hosted by Cessnock Living Sober Group

12:00 Lunch

1.15pm - Raffle Draw

1:30 to 3.00pm - ID Meeting – Hosted by Rutherford Truth Group

3:00 Afternoon Tea

this is all followed by the usual –

6.00pm – Cessnock Steps Meeting

All monies raised after costs goes towards the costs of sending our Area delegate to The General Service Conference.

Registration:- \$5.00 per member

BBQ Lunch: - \$5.00 per member

Raffle:-

Tickets \$1 each or 3 for \$2

1st Prize - Choice of either "The Big Book" Alcoholics

Anonymous, Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions

Book or Living Sober Book.

2nd Prize - choice of remaining books

3rd Prize - remaining book.

Contacts:-

Lenny & Cherie (Living Sober)- Mobile 0438-299320 or 4990-3894

Brian Mc (Cessnock Steps) – 0402-690436 or 4991-4385

Come and support your local Area C by raising money for this Cause and share your recovery with us all.

Cessnock Showground has camping facilities available. It is \$20 for a power site for a couple per nite. Use of all facilities. Call 02-4990-1181 to book.

Please announce at your Group and forward to you're A.A. email contacts. You will then get well.

Jeff D
Secretary

Treasurer's Report

John C
Treasurer

DCM (Newcastle) Report

FOTSG, Newcastle Beginners, Grass Roots, Newcastle City Topic Group, Turning Point, Contact Group 2-7-2016

Apologies

In attendance: Paul B. DCM, Jim K. GSR Beginners

New Business

- Doctors Convention – talked to Hunter/Port Stephens District to get literature sorted out
- Researching Australia Post for costing on letter sent out – DCM will make enquires and research costing and logistics of getting started.
- Shifting boundary for Newcastle district to go to area to go to area.
- Vote on discussion about how area delegate will get to conference.
- Churches be visited and Big Book give to each ministers.

Topics for discussion

- Doctors Convention. The districts to provide literature for the convention.
- Shifting boundary for Newcastle district to go to area. There is room for a district to be started that is not too large and with 5 groups already in them. Newcastle is prepared to extend their boundary and help to get things started.

How will Area get to delegate get to conference?? What funding is available for the delegate to get to conference??

Paul B

DCM (Newcastle)

DCM Port Stephens & Hunter District (PS&HD)

16-07-2016

Total Agricultural Show was a success with 20,000+ people through the gates. We had quite a few enquiries & the majority would have suited Al-Anon Family Groups. However there were approximately 10 x AA enquiries.

New groups have sprouted in Hamilton (Steps via the Big Book) & Swansea (ID).

Our most recent group to celebrate a birthday was Spiritual Awakenings from Hamilton. Their 3rd birthday was attended by over 50 members & the tucker afterwards was fantastic. Morpeth group also held their 1st birthday meeting a few months ago & over 30 members attended.

Birthday meetings to come include Branxton this Monday (18th /07/16) at 7.30pm & Tarro Young at Heart on Thursday 28th from 7.00pm. During October Cessnock Steps & Traditions and Truth group will have their birthday meetings as well.

On Saturday 6th August Cessnock groups will be holding their annual "Day of Gratitude". Funds raised after expenses will go to our Delegate going to Conference.

Also in October we will be having our annual "Unity Day" & this year we expect to hold it at the Newcastle Foreshore. All welcome & more details later.

Groups have been putting an Australian Edition Big Book & a Living Sober book into local libraries & some High schools. Newcastle District are offered the same opportunities. The books are donated from the Greater Newcastle District Literature Fund.

District Committee Member
Ian M
Truth group

Gaol Report

**Cessnock Correctional Centre N.S.W
Gaol Meetings**

Today we had our 2nd meeting in the Gaol this year. Brian McC (Cessnock Steps) and myself attended. We had 2 Inmates in attendance in the Maximum Security centre. Rodger Whittall from Programs Staff was our supervisor. He said that he is going to try each week to hold the meetings. However, there are a lot of lock downs and the staff now also run programs in the community for Parole.

The good news is that Mt Penang at Kariong has now been taken over by Cessnock Correctional Centre and has an A.A. meeting there each week. They are getting up to 12 Inmates. It is an adult Minimum Security centre. I believe that John S from Terrigal is

running it and they have a few members on their roster. I am grateful to John for contacting me and giving me the report.
I will try and give a monthly report to the Area from now on.

Thank you
Lenny S
Cessnock Living Sober Group.

General Business:

Next Meeting:
Meeting Closed at pm (With Serenity Prayer)