

MINUTES OF AREA ASSEMBLY.

Date: 16th April 2011

Held at Cooks Hill Special School.

Meeting Opened: 9.30 AM.

Attendance		
Name	Group	Position
Carl F	Newcastle	Secretary
Lindsay	Shortland Big Book	Treasurer
Michael	GSR Shortland Big Book	GSR
Ian M	Truth Rutherford	DCM /-GSR
Andrew M	Scone	Visitor
John C	Tarro Big Book	GSR
Vince D	Freedom.	Delegate

Visitors: Jonathan

Quorum Achieved:

Apologies		
Name	Group	Position
Jim K	Fellowship Of The Sprit	GSR
Mick J	Morisset	GSR
Jeff	Tarro Young At Heart	GSR

Traditions Read By: Andrew M.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Business Arising from the Minutes of the previous Assembly:

Moved Accepted :		Seconded :	
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Incoming Correspondence:

Outgoing Correspondence:

Business Arising:

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AREA CHAIR REPORT:

No Report submitted – Position now Vacant

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AREA DELEGATES REPORT:

No Report submitted

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TREASURER’S REPORT:

Group Contributions:

No electronic report submitted so group contributions aren’t available the Areas bank balance is below.

Balance: \$2679.68

Business Arising: None

Moved Accepted :	Ian M	Seconded :	Michael SBBS
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CENTRAL COAST D.C.M. REPORT:

No Report submitted

NEWCASTLE DCMs. REPORT:

No Report submitted

LOWER HUNTER PORT STEPHENS DCMs REPORT 14/04/2011

1....Groups from this district purchasing literature in the last 3-4 months consist of; Nelson Bay, Raymond Terrace Monday Night, Medowie; Tarro BBS, Tarro Young At Heart, Rutherford TRUTH Group, Cessnock Steps & Traditions, Cessnock Tuesday BBS, Cessnock Living Sober, Branxton, Shortland BBS, Boolaroo, Pelican, Bolton Point Steps/Traditions, Hamilton Thursday night, Swansea Womens Group, Freedom, “Morisset Rehab @ The Farm” & Morrisset groups.

The Fellowship of the Spirit group from the Newcastle district have also

purchased some.

2....At our last assembly our PI aim was to visit local churches & to date Tarro Yah has been the only group to do something. Well done. If you need some pamphlets or posters please contact Ian M. (0428 699 700).Some companies wont display them due to policy, eg: Banks, building societies & chain stores.

3....Lenny S & a few other members are doing well at going to Goal meetings & The Glen (rehab) meetings. If you would like to give it a try, please contact Lenny or Brian Mc. Many thanks to those local & from the Central Coast who attend.

4.... Raymond Terrace birthday meeting went down well - so did the pizzas.

5....More people have come onto the help line & some have dropped off. So once again, anyone wishing to help out please contact Ian M. Thanks. I would personally like to thank Pommy Nick, Dave B, Carl F, Tazzie John & Michael B for helping out.

6....This district, with the permission from the Newcastle District, sold tickets for the raffle prize of an 80cm High Definition Plasma T V . The money raised was approximately \$200.00. This is all to go to the Area to help send the delegate to Conference in November. Jody from the Walk In group won it, good on you.

7....The Tarro Young at Heart group held a successful and fun trivia night. They raised approximately \$400.00. The money raised there paid for the raffle prize. There total money raised was \$600.00 & all went towards delegate going to conference.

8....Branxton group held a successful "speakers" meeting on Monday 11th

April. The topic was God & the Higher Power. Food was also great.

9....On a sad note, Al from Medowie passed away last Saturday 9th April.

Yours in Service

Ian M

District Committee Member

Port Stephens & Lower Hunter District

Moved Accepted :	John C	Seconded :	Vince D
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TREATMENT CENTRES & CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES REPORT:

Hospitals Coordinator: - Jim K FOTSG - No Report submitted from coordinator

Mc Cauley Unit: Coordinator - Vince D Shortland Big Book.

We usually average 7 people trying to receive help with their Alcohol/Drug problem. This talk usually goes for an hour.

Lakeview Lodge: Coordinator - John C Tarro Big Book, Mick E Morisset

Lingard Hospital: Coordinator - No current Coordinator.

Lorna House: Coordinator - Jim K. (Fellowship of the Spirit Group)

CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES

Cessnock Gaol: Coordinator - Lenny S. (Cessnock Living Sober)

No report submitted

COURTS PROGRAMME REPORT: Coordinator – Tom M acting co ordinator

WEB SITE REPORT: Coordinator - Jim K

No report submitted

EVENTS & WORKSHOP COMMITTEE REPORT: Coordinator - Vacant

Business Arising:

PI COMMITTEE REPORT: Coordinator – Vince D Shortland Big Book.

AREA REGISTRAR REPORT: Registrar – Vince D Freedom. We are gradually receiving email addresses from, all over our area.

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General Business:

General discussion on current logo used by Area C, Child safety working with under 18s, Melbourne Office.

General AA and Area C business discussion including how groups where doing.

It was moved that Vince D, Area C Delegate contact National Office and recommend on behalf Area C that 1 extra full day be dedicated to the Melbourne Office issue.

Moved Accepted : Ian M	Seconded : Lindsay
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The viability of the Newcastle Rally and the Morisset Rally joining as one Rally was discussed. It was decided to contact the 2 Newcastle Districts and the Morisset Group about the acceptability of this.

Treatment & Correction & Facilities.

Groups are requested to pass the message on to their members regarding the need for people to undertake 12th Step Work in Treatment Centres. The Area is seeking members who are willing to do service work in Institutions. Such as Mc Cauley Unit at the Mater every second Monday, 1.30 till 2.30 & Lakeview lodge

Mc Cauley Unit (At Mater Hospital) Lakeview Lodge, here are the following requirements:

Two (2) years sobriety to attend Mc Cauley and Lakeview on your own & Six (6) Months sobriety

to assist in the company of a person of 2 years sobriety or more.

Lakeview is every Thursday from 6.00 pm to 7.00 pm.

Lingard Hospital not currently active. (Talks are under way with Management)

For further information please contact:

Vince D 49439072 - Lenny 0438299320

NEWSLETTERS, CATALOGUES, ETC (Available to all members on asking)

Caring & Sharing Tape Catalogue/Floppy Disc.

AA Around Australia (September 2003 edition onwards).

Map of Area boundaries.

UPCOMING RALLIES, BIRTHDAYS & SPECIAL EVENTS.

AREA C CONTACT INFORMATION:

Area Secretary : secretary20@aa-area-c.org

Public Information Vince D 49439072.

For Literature: email this address to get an electronic price list and electronic order form: literature@aa-area-c.org or IAN M 0428699700.

POSTAL ADDRESS: PO Box 196 JESMOND 2299

24hr Phone: 49641555

Web Address: www.aa-area-c.org

Account details for Group or Individual donations to Area C:

Bank Name: Newcastle Permanent building Society

Account Name: Alcoholics Anonymous

BSB: 650-000

Account Number: 960962709

Please include a comment indicating Group Name or initials: e.g. Freedom