

Alcoholics Anonymous Area E Mini Assembly
Minutes of Meeting: Wednesday 4th March 2020 @ 7:30 PM

Trevor H	Area Chair	Lane Cove Mon PM	Present
Jenny	Area Secretary / GSR	RtR Kirribilli Fri PM	Apology
Anna S	Area Delegate	Dee Why Thu PM	Present
Lee S	Area Delegate Alternate	Dee Why Curl Curl Bfast	Apology
Rosemary	Area Treasurer	RtR North Syd Tue PM	Present
Laura	Area Group Liaison / GSR	Cremorne 1pm Friday	Present
Andrew I	Area Webmaster	RtR North Syd Tue PM	MIA
John B	Area Public Information Coordinator	Seaforth Tue PM	Present
Andrew S	Alternate GSR	RtR North Sydney PM	Present
John R	GSR	Naremburn Thur	MIA
Pam	GSR	Seaforth Tue PM	Present
Chris C	GSR	Manly Sun AM	Present
Paul G	GSR	Mona Vale Sun AM	MIA
Matt	GSR	Frenches Forest Monday PM	MIA
Anna	GSR	Naremburn Fri PM	Apology
Paul	GSR	Harbord Saturday PM	MIA
Amy	GSR	Naremburn Sun AM	MIA
Matt	GSR	Cromer Men's Group Tue pm	Present
Steven	GSR	Mona Vale Sun AM	MIA
Paula	GSR	Comer Monday PM	Present
Lawrence	GSR	Epping Monday PM	Present
Lachlan	Alternate GSR	Cromer Men's Meeting Tuesday 7:30	MIA
John D	GSR	Narrenburn Sun AM	Present
Sean	GSR	Forestville Sat 6pm	Present

Meeting Open: 07:30pm
Chair: Trevor (Minutes by Rosemary)
Attendance: 13 Present
12 Traditions Read By: Laura
Previous Minutes: Accepted

Action Items:

Action Item	Description	Owner	Due	Status
200304.1	Add to the quarterly Area E agenda a GSR verbal update of their group.	Trevor	Jun 2020	New
200304.1	GSR Buddy System - Add a folder/document on Google Docs where the GSRs can add their contact details so the other GSRs can reach out for assistance.	Trevor	Apr 2020	New
Standing Item	General Service Conference 2020 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If you have conference topics to suggest do so by June 	Anna	2020	In Progress
Standing Item	Collaboration between NSCSO and Area E on local 12th step work: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NSCSO took the lead and held a 2.5-hour session on Sunday 19th January to generate PI ideas. The output from the January session which is in pictures will be uploaded to Google Docs. Proposal to hold monthly meeting with NSCSO in support assisting to connect the groups to the work of NSCSO agreed by both committees 	Trevor	2019	In Progress
Standing Item	Area E PI. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Centre link pamphlets are being supplied Actioning items from 19JAN2020 event and engaging with participants 	John B	Ongoing	In Progress

Any Other Business:

- Trevor reminded everyone of the Area E website address being www.AreaEERAA.info which stands for Area E Eastern Region AA.
- **Role of the GSR:**
 - Round Table sharing session among GSRs to outline how their role as GSR plays out in their group.
 - Reminder that a GSR should have 2 to 3 years sobriety.
 - Trevor outlined the material available that provides information about the GSR role being:
 - The Group Handbook.
 - The Australia Service Manual
 - The Australian Service Website
 - Trevor raised the idea of a Area E GSR buddy system. It was agreed the GSRs will add their mobile numbers to Google Docs and if anyone needs assistance fulfilling the GSR role they can reach out to others. Buddies matched for 3 new or new-ish GSR's.
- **Motion Carried:** As well as updating Google Docs with their monthly reports, quarterly the GSRs will also at the meeting provide a verbal update. The verbal update doesn't need to be reflected in the minutes as it is intended to be verbal replication of what is in their Google Docs report.
- **PI/CPC** – John B is the incoming co-ordinator.
 - PI = Public Information, CPC = Co-operation with the Professional Community.
 - John and the Group Liaison Officer, Laura will form the core PI/CPC group and will reach out to others for ideas and assistance.
 - John B asked the GSRs to reach out to their group for people to take on the PI role and then work with the AREA PI/CPC team on initiatives.
 - There isn't a limit on length of sobriety for a PI representative at Group level. All that is required is a willingness to carry the msg, initiate ideas, put pamphlets in boxes etc

Meeting close:

08:50 pm

Next meeting:

Mini Assembly on Thursday April 2nd 7:30pm

Topic: Group Reports (verbal & written)

Position Descriptions for Area E roles

04th March 2020 - Area E Committee Reports (in no particular order)

Role	Area E Chairperson
Name	Trevor H
Date	04/03/2020
Report	<p>And we're off to a roaring start for the 2020 Service Year at Area E -- hooray!</p> <p>We'd identified last year that the purpose of monthly meetings is to maintain a regular structure for GSRs and new GSRs to engage with Area E. As such, we'll kick off the year with a sharing session about the GSR role and the GSR experience.</p> <p>Let's have a great year and do what we can to carry the message in a rewarding and enriching manner.</p>

Role	Area E Secretary
Name	Jenny
Date	24/02/2020
Report	Thank you in advance to Rosemary for doing minutes for March again for me.

4th March 2020 - GSR Reports (in no particular order)

Group	Cromer Men's Meeting, Tuesday 7.30 pm
GSR	Matt W.
Members Approx	30
Attendance Approx	40-45
Last Group Conscience	February 2020
Rehab Clients Visiting	Nil
Key Highlights	<p>3rd Cromer Men's Group Camp Out will take place over this coming weekend, March 06 - 08 at the Treachery Camp Ground, Seal Rocks. 50 tickets have been sold or gifted. The Group sponsors 2 attendees to attend who would otherwise have not gone due to financial difficulties.</p> <p>Attendees at meetings are very good at 40 - 45 each week. The Group Conscience voted to make the meeting technology-friendly and has the ability for men from outside the local area or who are travelling to attend via conference call. We get 2 - 5 attendees on the conference call each meeting.</p>

Group	Manly Sun AM
GSR	Chris
Members Approx	8
Attendance Approx	30
Last Group Conscience	23rd February
Rehab Clients Visiting	Occasionally
Key Highlights	Open sharing always seems to benefit. Numbers staying strong.

Group	Lane Cove Mon PM Step Study
GSR	Trevor
Members Approx	10
Attendance Approx	20
Last Group Conscience	10 Feb 2020
Rehab Clients Visiting	not at the moment
Key Highlights	Great mix of sobriety; Step Study using Big Book and 12 x 12.

Group	Seaforth Tue 7 PM
GSR	Pam W
Members Approx	18
Attendance Approx	25 to 30 and more when SPP bus comes
Last Group Conscience	28th January 2020
Rehab Clients Visiting	South Pacific Private (SPP) has started to attend again - every 2nd Tuesday.
Key Highlights	As a Group we have started to have a dinner and meeting outside the area which we intend to do 4 x times per year. Our first occurred on 16th January in Balmain and was attended to by 10 of our Members. The next one is set down for 1st April in Redfern

Group	RtR Kirribilli Fri and North Sydney Tue PM
GSR	Jenny MR
Members Approx	approx 15 each Friday and Tuesday
Attendance Approx	25
Last Group Conscience	10 th December 2019
Rehab Clients Visiting	Regular collection From Northside. Varies approx 2 to 5 per Tue/Fri
Key Highlights	

Group	Epping Group: Mon 7:30pm (ID) and Thu 7:30pm (Beginners)
GSR	Lawrence.
Members Approx	Approx 15
Attendance Approx	Mondays 15-30, Thursdays 15-25
Last Group Conscience	Monday 2nd March
Rehab Clients Visiting	NA
Key Highlights	Stronger numbers since Christmas