

AA Area E Mini-Assembly Meeting
 Agenda 10 June 2021
 Zoom

Open Meeting

Name	Position	Home Group	Attendance
Andrew S	Area Chairperson	RtR North Sydney PM	Present
Amanda K	Area Secretary	Seaforth Tue PM	Present
Bob R	Area Alternate Chairperson	Cromer Men's Tue PM	Present
Brad T	GSR	North Sydney Mon PM	Apologies
China	GSRs	Curl Curl AM	Present
Christiane or New	GSR	Cremorne Monday PM	MIA
Jenny MR	GSR	RTR Kirribilli Fri / North Sydney Tues PM	Present
John B	Area PI & Co-op Professional Community Coord	Seaforth Tues PM	Present
Laura B	Area Group Liaison		Present
Lawrence	GSR	Epping Mon PM	Apologies
Marita	GSR		Present
Martin G	Area Webmaster		MIA
Paula F	GSR	Northern Beaches AM Zoom	Apologies
Stephen S	GSR	Mona Vale Sunday AM	MIA
Tiane S	GSR	Manly Sun AM	Apologies
David M	GSR	Neutral Bay Tues PM	MIA
Erica D	GSR	Naremburn Fri Pm	MIA
Jeff	GSR	RNSH Sunday	MIA
John D	GSR	Naremburn Sunday AM	MIA
Lee S	Area Delegate	Dee Why Breakfast	Apologies
Michael T	GSR	Collaroy Fri PM	MIA
Nichola S	GSR	Cremore Mon Arvo	MIA
Paula L-G	GSR	Cromer Monday	MIA
Sean M	GSR	Forestville	MIA
Trevor	GSR	Lane Cove Mon PM	MIA

Guest attendee: **Bruce M**

Read the Twelve Traditions Short form

Receive and accept the previous Minutes (online still to occur – March to to Present minutes see Secretary report below or ask areaedocs@gmail.com for assistance).

Review Action Items:

Action Item	Description	Owner	Due	Status
New Item	<p>Format of GSR Meeting etiquette</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Talking to the Chair to speak – raise blue hand or actual hand to be called on by Chairperson. Chairperson to call next member to speak from the floor. 	Andrew / Amanda		Completed
Standing Item	<p>Combining CSO and Area E assembly – Andrew Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CSO takes on a lot of service, maybe Area E GSRs could help Last CSO meeting cancelled, rescheduled date Andrew already booked. Duty advice Area E GSRs can assist with sought from Susan. Next meeting is 11/6/21 7:30 PM –Bob R voted unanimously to be GSR regular attendee to CSR meetings. 	Andrew	2021	Complete
Standing Item	<p>Area E PI: Group Participation</p> <p>Idea to: Compile Area E Group email database with help of GSO; report status next month GSR meeting.</p> <p>For Discussion: Compile letter to introduce GSR concept/role and how to register on Area E website.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bob R : amended DRAFT letter with info links to welcome new GSRS. Content can become broader. Suggested to distribute letter with GSR Mailchimp subscribers. Suggested to have CSO distribute letter to their database and physically leave copies for local mtgs to have on literature tables. Suggested to put on Bulletin boards at Rehabs, fixed AA meeting boards. Suggested to create “Open GSR Area E day” to show attendees what it is all about. Suggested to make letter more content filled and not just current link heavy. Suggested to include how to raise Conference Topics and how GSRs help facilitate as part of role. Thanks expressed to Bob for his effort. Members can subscribe to Area E for newsletter / Mailchimp notices/emails on this link: http://areaeraa.info/?page_id=290 See 3 draft ads for Website at end of this file. <p>To do: Bob R and Laura to work on letter and Open GSR day to discuss next meeting</p>	Bob R	2021	In Progress

Standing Item	<p>Area E PI: Medical Screens</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Update report / Topic form discussion for this topic <p>Bruce: Propose to put in Conference Topic to accept videos Shawn made to carry the message to young people. Provide good quality Australia market, but to use in AA – it needs to be adopted as Conference approved literature (A. Big Book, B. various handbooks C. pamphlets/video).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Does Area E endorsed? Vote 8 of 8 to endorse. 	Laura John B Bruce M as Guest	2021	In Progress
Standing Item	<p>Knowing Traditions Area E Seminar - DRAFT - Status update</p> <p>Idea: In Speaker meeting format: August - November for 12 weeks</p> <p>Area E host Traditions Education sessions as Zoom Seminar Duration: 1 week: 1-1.25 hr session / 1 tradition Format: Moderator read Tradition from 12 x 12 book, 2 chosen speakers speak 15 minutes, Q & A at end for attendees (via chat sent only to moderator/panellists)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● GOAL: Educate attendees of Traditions, raise awareness of GSR group roles. ● Audio recording endorsed. Goal to upload to Area E website for access, not via YouTube (who monetises all content without channel owner permission). Laura happy to share on her podcast. ● Audio Editor may be required. ● 7 pm chosen as ideal time, Voted unanimously that Moderator to choose regular day of week, though Monday, Thursday and Saturday suggested. ● Agreed Area E GSR group to by Zoom license for meetings and Seminar – ● To do: Amanda and Marita to discuss logistics, purchase license. ● To Do: Amanda/Jenny to draft information letter advertising sessions. 	Amanda Jenny	2021 VP	In Progress
Standing Item	<p>Delegate Report: Eastern Region Assembly/Forum:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To Discuss: GSRs have any topics to present to LeeS? ● 1. Present Bob's project to Assembly/Forum to let them know: recommend and voted Bob to attend. <p>Voted unanimously that GSR Budget to cover Bob's cost to attend: Bob to speak to Marita about this.</p>	Lee S	2021	Complete
New Item	<p>Topic Form: Any other topics to present/discuss from topic forms?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Conference Topic 2021 forms are out to gather issues/topics for Conference to discuss/decide on. ● Any group can do this and AA as a whole relies on these topic submissions to suggest topics to help change AA. 	Bruce	2021	In Progress Done after this meeting

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Good goal to submit 1 or 2 topics from our area each year. This helps AA be a democracy relying on its members for input to keep current. 			
New Item	<p>August 27/29 2021: National Forum: Combined Treatment & Accessibility, Correctional Facilities and PI&CPC in Morningside, Queensland.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● For Area E, AA activates split between NSCO and CSO, suggested to have representation at this conference. ● Opportunity for people doing service from other regions in similar positions to get together to exchange ideas. Just like Area trying to having better communication in our groups. ● Laura voted to be representative to go to National Forum. ● Voted unanimously that if Area GSR Budget can, to cover Laura's expenses. ● To do: Marita and Laura to discuss logistics. 	John B	2021	Complete after June meeting
New Item	Bob R proposed a new topic form to add contact for meetings on aa.org.au. Via Email vote, it was passed/endorsed.	Bob R	2021	Completed
Standing Item	<p>Meeting dates for 2021 passed GSR Group to remain on Zoom.</p> <p>Monday 12th July Tuesday 10th August Wednesday 08th September Thursday 14th October Monday 08th November Tuesday 14th December</p>			Completed

Confirm next Meeting: Monday 12 July, 2021

Close meeting with "we" version of Serenity Prayer

GSR Committee Reports (in no particular order)

Role	Area E Alternate Chairperson
Name	Bob R
Date	6/6/2021
Report	<p>Having been away interstate since 16/5 to 5/6 I haven't had any time to work on the Communication Project since our last meeting. I intend to make further progress by our next Area E meeting.</p> <p>A number of AA members are asking why the Area E minutes are no longer being published on the Area E website. Can we fix?</p>

Area E Secretary
Amanda K
9/6/21
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Traditions Seminar proposal tidied up with Jenny doing most of the work securing speakers. Getting minutes for previous few meetings out to those who ask as not on the Area E website. Added a few new GSRs to reporting and Mailchimp subscriptions. Also started sending out general Area E GSR meeting notification to all subscribers. ● Several GSRs having difficulty accessing the reporting folder. The link is HERE: https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1qemkUSN_NL1oiOcRO_OlZwMf6W9YXrZ8?usp=sharing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Then look for "Area E GSR Group Reports" document. ● Also added the Zoom link to all GSR reporting files for reference. ● March, April, May and soon June minutes will be in PDF form in the above mentioned link until getting minutes on Website technical issues sorted.

Area E Public Information & Co-Operation with the Professional Community Coordinator
John B
6 June 2021
<p>Young People in AA Videos Topic Form for Conference distributed, support of Area E for Topic will be sought at 10 June meeting Susan M is organising contact with state secondary schools for visits by AA members and distribution of videos Bruce M to obtain budget proposal from Val Morgan Cinema advertising of options costing \$7,500 and submit to NSCSO and Area E for consideration, approval and funding recommendations Contacting local government youth community sections on suitability of videos for them</p>
<p>Screen advertising project - medical centres, chemists and community noticeboards Rosemary P is undertaking research for site locations, identifying advertising agency providers, the timing and technical requirements for videos and costing options for displays. Group PI & CPC initiatives Assisting groups with suggestions for undertaking Group PI&CPC activities</p>

Area E Treasurer			
Marita			
Transaction Desc	Date	Transaction Amount	Open / Closing Balance
Opening balance \$10,728.87		No transactions	Closing balance \$10,728.87

GSR Reports (in no particular order)

Group	Cromer Men's Meeting, Tuesday 7.30 pm
GSR	Bob R.
Members	25
Approx	
Attendance	30 - 35
Approx	
Last Group	
Conscience	

Rehab Clients Visiting	0
Key Highlights	Tickets for next Campout in November went on sale 26/5. Sold out within 36 hours. Topic/speaker meeting format to continue. Agreed that the meeting continue to be held at Collaroy Plateau Community Centre. Cromer meeting room too small for the number of men regularly attending. Seeing a regular increase in the number of newcomers each week.

Group	Manly Sun 8 AM
GSR	Tiane
Members Approx	16
Attendance Approx	20
Last Group Conscience	16/05/21
Rehab Clients Visiting	Yes
Key Highlights	

Group	Seaforth Tue 7 PM
GSR	Amanda K
Members Approx	16
Attendance Approx	30
Last Group Conscience	29/5/21
Rehab Clients Visiting	SPP Bus
Key Highlights	Trialling 7 min share max length. Looked at Conference topic form 2021, no issues brought up.

Group	RtR Kirribilli Fri and North Sydney Tue PM
GSR	Jenny MR
Members Approx	25
Attendance Approx	35
Last Group Conscience	08/06
Rehab Clients Visiting	Northside in person started up again
Key Highlights	Zoom is slowing down only approx 10. Likely stopping at group conscience as I write this on 03/06

Group	<u>North Sydney Mon 730pm</u>
GSR	Brad T.
Members Approx	8
Attendance Approx	20 -+
Last Group Conscience	31st May
Rehab Clients Visiting	Occasionally
Key	Now 11/2hr ID , also 1st Monday month invited speaker. Commence contribute 603010 Also my apologies if i cant make tonight's meeting.

Group	Curl Curl Breakfast AM Monday to Sunday
GSR	China

Members Approx	57
Attendance Approx	15 - 40
Last Group Conscience	Friday 4th June 2021
Rehab Clients Visiting	Yes -5-10 people depending
Key Highlights	Supporting the newcomer and the alcoholic that still suffers. Carrying the message of hope and LOVE. Making service fun.

GSR Letter 3 Draft Ads to discuss July

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