

Gold Coast Area Service Committee



Sunday, 25th September 2022

Anglican Church big hall, 14 Park Avenue, Burleigh Heads

5 was the minimum quorum. 5 then 4 Group Service Representatives present

Administration Committee

Position	Name	Present	Position	Name	Present
Chair	Present	Yes	Treasurer		No

Vice-Chair	Vacant	NA	RCM	Vacant	N/A
Secretary	Present	Yes	RCM Alternate	Vacant	N/A

Sub-Committee Chairs

Position	Name	Present	Position	Name	Present
H&I		No	Convention	Vacant	N/A
PR	Vacant	N/A	Policy	Vacant	N/A
Literature	Present	Yes	Newsletter	Vacant	NA
Activities	Present	Yes	Ad-Hoc	Vacant	N/A
Camp Serenity	Vacant	N/A			

GSRs

Meeting	GSR	Meeting	GSR
Monday to Friday 7am Southport Broadwater Early birds	Present	Thursday 10:30am Palm Beach Steps	No
Monday 5.30 pm Helensvale Women's	Present	Thursday 7:30pm Southport Lost and Found	No
Monday 6pm Burleigh Beginners	No	Thursday 7:30pm Palm Beach Steps	No
Monday 7pm Men's Burleigh Waters	No	Thursday 7:30pm Mermaid Womens	No
Tuesday 7am Miami Morning Fix	No	Friday 6pm Southport Steps	No
Tuesday 1pm Burleigh Heads JFT	No	Friday 6:30pm Coolangatta Freedom	No
Tuesday 6:30pm Helensvale Basic Text	J Present	Friday 7:30pm Surfers Paradise Spiritual Principles	Present

Meeting	GSR	Meeting	GSR
Tuesday 7pm Palm Beach JFT	No	Saturday 10am Burleigh Waters	No
Tuesday 7pm Southport Men's	Present	Saturday 5pm Burleigh Heads JFT	Present
Tuesday 6:30pm Tweed Heads	No	Saturday 7:30pm Southport SNL	Present
Wednesday 7pm Southport Guest Speaker	No	Sunday 10:30am Currumbin JFT	No
Wednesday 6pm Elanora Meditation	No	Sunday 5pm Burleigh Heads WDR	No
		Sunday 6pm Mermaid LGBTIQ	Present
		Sunday 6:30pm Southport Basics	No

Order of Business

1. Chair's opening - meeting commenced at 2pm.
2. Moment of silence
3. Service Prayer read

'God, grant us the knowledge that we may act accordingly to your divine precepts. Instill in us a sense of your purpose. Make us servants of your will and grant a bond of selflessness that this may truly be your work, not ours – in order that no addict, anywhere, need die from the horrors of addiction.'

4. 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts read
5. ID of those present.

Apologies:

- GSR Sunday Night Southport
- GSR Sunday Burleigh -
- Monday Mens
- Wed Guest Speaker
- GSR Wednesday Elanora
- H&I Chair

6. Quorum in attendance: 8
7. Count of voting members: 8
8. Consensus to recognise observers: Yes
9. Accept previous minutes as true and correct: Moved by GSR LGBTI. seconded by Hey Hey Saturday Accepted by Consensus.
10. Reports from Administration Committee & Sub-Committee Chairs:

All reports received are included at the end of this document in the following order – if your report was not emailed to the Secretary at the GCASC it will not be tabled in these minutes.

- Chairperson Report Verbal and Emailed report - in Minutes
- Vice Chairperson Report Vacant
- Secretary Report Verbal and emailed – In minutes.

- Treasurer Report Emailed - in Minutes.
- RCM Report Chairperson Acting - in Minutes.
- Alt RCM Report Vacant
- Policy Chairperson Report Vacant.
- Literature Chairperson Report Verbal
- Newsletter Chairperson Report Vacant.
- Convention Chairperson Report Vacant.
- Activities Chairperson Report Verbal and Emailed - in Minutes.
- Camp Serenity Chairperson Report Emailed
- Public Relations Chairperson Report Vacant.
- Hospitals & Institutions Chairpersons Emailed – In minutes
- Ad – Hoc Workgroup Vacant

11. GSRs reported highlights of Group Business

12. Old Business

Secretary is chasing up closure of the St George A/C balance and Telstra refund received

13. New Business

Proposal: That the area purchase seven Newcomer banners, six being for the six H&I Meetings in the GCASC and one for Activities & Convention Committees to use

Intent: To carry our message of recovery with a banner targeting newcomers in H&I meetings

Moved: GSR LGBTI meeting

Seconded by GSR Southport Broadwater Morning Meeting

Impact: Estimate cost \$140

Carried

14. Election of Trusted Servants:

- Policy Chair: No nominations.
- Public Relations: No nominations.
- Convention: GSR LGBTI, self-nominated, seconded GSR Hey Hey It's Saturday, Carried
- Newsletter: No nominations.
- RCM: No nominations.
- Alt RCM: No nominations.

15. Discussion

There was a lively discussion which started with a query by the Tuesday Night Helensvale GSR regarding the Area meeting on Zoom. This led to suggestions such as having several area meetings on Zoom then a face to face meeting on the third month, i.e. quarterly, alternating the area meeting between north and south Gold Coast locations. A more general discussion ensued around the lack of area office bearers and meetings attending the area. It was noted that the upcoming Unity Day would hopefully result in more area positions being filled and GSRs attending. Adopting the GSF Service Structure was suggested, as was the Activities Committee holding BBQs at meetings and locations which have not been attending the GCASC. Please discuss at groups and bring your feedback to the next area meeting

16. Establish date for next GCASC meeting: Sunday 30th October 2022 at 2pm at Anglican Church, 14 Park Avenue, Burleigh, Main Hall.

17. Announcements – see Announcement Box.

18. Close Meeting with Serenity Prayer: 'God, grant us the serenity to accept the things we cannot change. The courage to change the things we can. And the wisdom to know the difference'.

Meetings Announcements:

- Friday Night Freedom ID has moved from Elanora to Thrower House
- Elanora Wednesday is looking for home group members including treasurer.
- Southport Early Birds urgently needs group members and support
- Helensvale Women's Monday 5:15pm is urgently looking for older cleaner members.
- Southport Wednesday guest speaker has GSR position available
- Wednesday 11th Step Elanora desperately needs support
- Thursday 7:30pm Mermaids looking for OCM's to attend
- Southport Thursday 7:30pm Lost and Found is looking for OCMs to attend.
- Currumbin Sunday 10:30am is looking for home group members.

Other:

- Unity day will be held on Saturday 1st of October at Broadbeach State School. The last Unity day committee meeting before the event is on Zoom 8.30pm Wed 28th September.
- Join Zoom Meeting
- <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81804007879?pwd=bkNVRFAvOHZ5S0NsTGNWN2daMkxadz09>
- Meeting ID: 818 0400 7879
- Passcode: 102865
- If anyone would like to be of service on the day please attend or contact Activities Chair
- If you would like to go Numinbah jail, please contact Coordinator so she can email you the forms.
- Reminder to home groups: ensure meeting details are kept up to date on the na.org.au website, via the below link: <https://www.na.org.au/multi/meeting-update-form/>
- Reminder to home groups: venue is 1st point of contact for any Covid updates.
- For home groups wanting to fund flow, here are the bank details. Acc Name: Gold Coast Area Service Committee. BSB: 124 022. Acc No: 1020 1668.
- GCASC has a zoom account for use by admin, sub-committees and groups. Contact secretary for login details

Area Positions Vacant (refer brief position description below announcements):

- Vice Chairperson - 2 years clean time
- PR Chair – 3 years clean time.
- Policy Chair - 3 years clean time.
- RCM – 3 years clean time
- Alt RCM – 3 years clean time
- Ad Hoc chair – 3 years clean time

Area Positions Vacant (as per announcements above) - brief position descriptions:

Vice Chairperson

Clean time: 2 years

Term: 1 year

The primary responsibility of the area committee vice chairperson is the coordination of the area subcommittees. The area vice chairperson keeps in regular touch with the chairpersons of each subcommittee to stay informed of their projects and problems, attending subcommittee meetings whenever possible. If disputes arise within a subcommittee or between subcommittees, the ASC vice chairperson helps find solutions to them. The vice chairperson works closely with subcommittee chairpersons when they prepare their annual reports and budget proposals. The vice chairperson is also responsible to assist the chairperson in conducting area committee meetings and to conduct ASC meetings in the chairperson's absence.

Policy Chair

Clean time: 3 years

Term: 1 year

The GCASC Policy Chair advises the GCASC about policy issues during the course of the area meeting and often clarifies guidelines -- therefore is required to have a reasonable knowledge of the manual. They coordinate the drafting of new policy for consideration by the GCASC and maintains and updates these Guidelines, including the policy log.

Public Relations Chair

Clean time: 3 years

Term: 1 year

The general mission of your public relations subcommittee is to inform addicts and others in the community of the availability of recovery in Narcotics Anonymous. Service provided by the PR subcommittee vary widely from area to area. The simplest kind of PR project is the production and distribution of fliers throughout the community announcing that NA is available and that more information can be had either by calling the local NA information phoneline or by attending an NA meeting.

RCM Regional Committee Member

Clean time: 2 years

Term: 2 years

RCM's keep their areas in touch with the larger world of NA by providing information on activities in neighbouring areas, functions being sponsored by the regional committee, reports relevant to subcommittee affairs, and important issues being discussed at various levels of service.

The RCM is expected to attend as many Group Conscience meetings within the GCASC as possible. and to email copies of GCASC minutes to ARSC Alternate Delegate.

Alternate RCM Regional Committee Member

Clean time: 18 months

Term: 2 years (+2years as RCM)

Traditionally this service position is one of learning to take on the RCM role and supporting the current RCM in their tasks. This means that the position involves a four year commitment - the first 2 years serving as the RCM Alt then going on to complete a two year term as the RCM. During the term you will be expected to attend the GCASC meetings and administration meetings monthly; supply a report; attend the Regional Committee Meeting with the RCM toward the end of their term; and be available to subcommittees and groups to access resources. It is advantageous to have a working knowledge of the service structure and the stability to complete the time commitment to full term. The Alt RCM is required to attend a minimum of two virtual ARSC meetings per year for training purposes and to grasp a knowledge of how the ARSC operates.

Ad Hoc Chair

Clean time 1 year

Adhoc committees may be formed from time to time by the GCASC for special purposes outside the duties of existing committees and subcommittees. These may be formed to perform service workshops, take surveys or produce newsletters or service related papers.

Next GCASC meeting is 2-4pm on Sunday 30th October 2022 at the Anglican Church main hall, 14 Park Ave, Burleigh Heads.

Admin and Sub Committee Reports

GCASC Chair & RCM (acting) report to Area – September 2022

An admin committee meeting was held on Monday August 15 with nothing to go on the agenda for the September GCANA meeting.

As acting RCM, I attended the first face to face regional meeting in 3 years which was fantastic.

From the RCM meeting in Sydney, the following points I deemed worth reporting to area:

- Treasurers report: reminder of any overnight events– risk assessment and registration list required for insurance to be covered.
- Reminder from Australian Delegate (AD) from Narcotics Anonymous World Service (NAWS) – 2022 survey regrading Drug Replacement Therapy/ Medical Assisted Therapy.

“The 2018 World Service Conference adopted a motion charging NA World Services with creating a project plan for a new piece of recovery literature for members about DRT/MAT as it relates to NA. This survey is an important step in the process”

This survey is to go to ALL members through area. Ie to GSRs and on minutes – the link to the survey is

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/drtmat>

The survey closes November 30, 2022.

(This was brought to attention in my last report from the meeting of RCMs where there was confusion as to the communication from the AD)

- Attended PR sub-committee. Proposed new sub-chair/separation between ‘old’ PR and new digital PR around social media.

There was discussion around the lack of PR sub-committee chairs throughout the region, including a sub-committee chair for the region. I took from this constructive discussion around the idea of the changing times regarding the influence of social media today. The presence of FB pages set up individually eg deux machina, the bubble etc. are numerous. I was surprised that there is an official NA Australian FB page which I tried to join. The conclusion from this sub-committee was that there is a void and need for this in the modern age of social media.

- From NA outreach sub-committee chair: that attention be brought to the need for members in remote locations for sponsors to take the through the steps and that this responsibility be shared with the RCMs of the closest area. (That would be me at this stage) From this I shall suggest for members that are interested in sponsorship in this context to complete the form on the na.org.au > outreach > sponsorship – link

<https://www.na.org.au/multi/sponsorship-expression-of-interest/>

From recent email 20/9 – SPAD is out. FSO will hopefully stock up. Yippee

YILS. Johnno



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Account Details

10201668 GCASC Main Account - Available: \$13,454.93

Account InformationAccount Name:
GCASC Main Account**Transactions Search**Date Range The last month
Start Date 24/08/2022 DD/MM/YYYY End Date 23/09/2022 DD/MM/YYYY(DD/MM/YYYY)**Transaction List Matching Search Criteria**

Date	Description	Debit	Credit	Balance
16/09/2022	Direct Credit REFUNDS INTEGRAL TELSTRA REFUND		\$81.67	\$13,454.93
09/09/2022	Direct Credit [REDACTED]		\$10.00	\$13,373.26
07/09/2022	TFR FROM 023060795 IB2-95292384		\$606.70	\$13,363.26
07/09/2022	TFR FROM 023060795 IB2-95292304		\$2,000.00	\$12,756.56
02/09/2022	TFR FROM 023060795 IB2-94765403		\$2,000.00	\$10,756.56
01/09/2022	PAY ANYONE TO [REDACTED] 01 2745 187155124 IB2-02845756	\$300.00		\$8,756.56
01/09/2022	DEPOSIT		\$128.40	\$9,056.56
31/08/2022	INTEREST		\$1.10	\$8,928.16
30/08/2022	Direct Credit [REDACTED]		\$50.00	\$8,927.06
29/08/2022	Direct Credit [REDACTED] Buleigh Waters Sat		\$50.00	\$8,877.06
29/08/2022	Direct Credit [REDACTED] Wednesday Guest Sp		\$12.65	\$8,827.06
29/08/2022	Direct Credit [REDACTED] SaturdayNiteLive		\$50.00	\$8,814.41
24/08/2022	Direct Credit [REDACTED] Tweed Tues night		\$100.00	\$8,764.41

Please note this Transaction List is not an official statement and is subject to change.

For loan accounts, the entry described as FEE CAPITALISATION affects the balance of the loan account. The entry/entries that appear immediately before this transaction describe the fees capitalised and do not affect the balance of the loan account.

H&I Chair – Report (August 2022)

- H&I subcommittee will be presenting a workshop at the upcoming unity day (Brea C and Reem – 30 minute duration)
- H&I is running smoothly and the message is being carried
- No subcommittee meeting was held this month
- Subcommittee reports:
 - The day for Mirikai H&I changed to today from last Tuesday. There was some kind of mix up but it's all sorted now. All is well. Spoke to staff member at Mirikai to confirm today. Coordinator
 - Currumbin going well, H&I has changed from 730pm to 630pm, to attract more residents and also volunteers. Had 2 members from the Byron fellowship attend last week & it was a hit. – Coordinator
 - re Tweed. Nothing to report. – Coordinator

YILS,

Activities Sub-committee Report Sept

Chair:

Opening balance: \$1000.19

Expenses: \$ 85.20

Closing Balance: \$ 914.99

Final touches and preparation for Unity day are coming along and we are ready to rock the Gold Coast Fellowship. Upcoming projects for our subcommittee could be a Bric-A-Brac Market day. Volley ball and BBQ day. Would appreciate feed Back and thoughts about a Bric-A-Brac Market day

Group Reports

GSR/Alt GSR

Name:

Report Date: 2022-09-22

Group Name/Location: Southport Tuesday 7pm Mens Meeting, Southport Community Centre

Meeting Day/Time: 7pm to 815pm Tuesday

Average Weekly Attendance: 12-18

Trusted Servant Topics: Yes, all positions filled.,

Atmosphere of Recovery: The meeting goes from 7pm to 815pm. We start each meeting with an around the room ID and feelings check. We read the 'Just For Today' reading for the day and share on that or just share on what's affecting your recovery. Speakers share for 5-7 minutes each. We usually get around to everyone. We welcome newcomers and celebrate birthdays.

Opening Balance: 67.20
Total Monthly
Collection: 105.35
Rent Paid: 81.60
Your Email
Address:

Prudent Reserve (Remaining Balance): 90.95

GSR/Alt GSR Name:
Report Date: 2022-09-25
Group Name/Location: Saturday Night Live - Southport
Meeting Day/Time: 7:30pm Saturday Night
Average Weekly Attendance: 25
Trusted Servant Topics: Group Positions are mostly filled - Literature is being care taken
Atmosphere of Recovery: Clear meeting agenda and regular group conscience
Opening Balance: 80.10
Total Monthly Collection: 120.50
Rent Paid: 66.30
Area Service Contribution: 30
Your Email Address:

Prudent Reserve (Remaining Balance): 104.30

GSR/Alt GSR Name:
Report Date: 2022-09-25
Group Name/Location: Queer as Folk Mermaid Beach, Sunday 6pm
Average Weekly Attendance: 8
Trusted Servant Topics: Vacant positions
Secretary, gsr, literature
Atmosphere of Recovery: Keeping the doors open
Other Topics : Pride Event. Presentation was postponed due to weather event.
Opening Balance: 220
Total Monthly Collection: 60
Rent Paid: 62.00
Your Email Address:

Prudent Reserve (Remaining Balance): 218.00

Report Date: 2022-09-25
Group Name/Location: Earlybirds
Meeting Day/Time: 7am
Average Weekly Attendance: 10
Trusted Servant Topics: All position filled
Atmosphere of Recovery: Jft reading topic start on time and finish on time
Your Email Address:
Area Secretary's Email Address: secretary.goldcoast@na.org.au
GSR/Alt GSR Name:

Prudent Reserve (Remaining Balance): 0.00

GSR/Alt GSR Name:
Report Date: 2022-09-25
Group Name/Location: Burleigh Waters Sat
Meeting Day/Time: Saturday !0.00 am
Average Weekly Attendance: 20
Trusted Servant Topics: We are struggling to fill service positions. In need of Secretary, GSR & Alt GSR.
Atmosphere of Recovery: Regular group consciences and inventory
Opening Balance: 85.30
Total Monthly Collection: 91.75
Rent Paid: 81.20
Your Email Address:

Prudent Reserve (Remaining Balance): 95.85

Report Date: 2022-09-24
Group Name/Location: Friday Night 7:30pm Spiritual Principles Surfers Paradise
Meeting Day/Time: Friday 7:30pm
Average Weekly Attendance: 20
Your Email Address:
Opening Balance: 127.65
Total Monthly Collection: 134.90
Rent Paid: 60.00
Area Service Contribution: 0.00
Catering (Tea/Coffee etc): 0.00

Literature: 62.70
Other Expenses: 0.00
Area Secretary's Email Address:
GSR/Alt GSR Name:

Prudent Reserve (Remaining Balance): 139.85

Report Date: 2022-09-24
Group Name/Location: Burleigh Heads Tuesday 1pm
Meeting Day/Time: Tuesday 1pm
Average Weekly Attendance: 11
Group members: 3
Opening Balance: 228.50
Total Monthly Collection:
Rent Paid: 100.00
Area Service Contribution: 0.00
Catering (Tea/Coffee etc): 0.00
Literature: 0.00
Other Expenses: 0.00
Area Secretary's Email Address:
GSR/Alt GSR Name:

Prudent Reserve (Remaining Balance): 128.50

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GSR Report			
		ASC Meeting Date: 25/9/22	
Meeting Location:	Helensvale Community Centre		
Meeting Day and Time:	Monday 530pm		
Meeting Theme or Topic:	Living Clean		
Do you have a group conscience? If so when?	Yes, every 4 weeks before area		
Average Attendance:	10		
Number of Group Members:	6 active		
Service Positions Vacant:	None		
Financial Report:	Opening Balance	\$ 81	
	Add: 7 th Tradition	\$ 39	
	Add: Literature Sales	\$ 0	
	Add: Other Income	\$	
	Less: Tea & Coffee	\$	
	Less: Rent	\$	
	Less: Literature Purchases	\$	
	Less: Fund Flow to Area	\$	
	Less: Other Expenses	\$	
	Closing Balance	\$140	
Rent Payments Up to Date:	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	Until December
Literature in Stock:	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	
Meetings Lists in Stock:	Yes	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Printing our own (in progress)
Any Other News / Comments / Announcements:			
Comment: Once rent is paid we will be buying a "Serenity Prayer" banner for the newcomer.			
Your Name & Position:	Courtney, GSR		
Your Email or Postal Address:	csusanhutchinson@gmail.com		
Mobile:	0466 526 175		
If you cannot attend the meeting, you can submit your report by emailing it to the secretary.goldcoast@na.org.au			