

Gold Coast Area Service Committee



Sunday 26 March 2023

Anglican Church big hall, 14 Park Avenue, Burleigh Heads

7 was the minimum quorum. 8 Group Service Representatives present

Administration Committee

Position	Name	Present	Position	Name	Present
Chair		Yes	Treasurer		No - Reported
Vice-Chair		Yes	RCM	Vacant	N/A
Secretary	Vacant (Acting)	No	RCM Alternate	Vacant	N/A

Sub-Committee Chairs

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

GSRs

Meeting	GSR	Meeting	GSR
Monday to Friday 7am Southport Broadwater Early birds	Yes	Thursday 10:30am Palm Beach Steps	No
Monday 5.30 pm Helensvale Women's	No	Thursday 7:30pm Southport Lost and Found	No
Monday 6pm Burleigh Beginners	No	Thursday 7:30pm Palm Beach Steps	Yes
Monday 7pm Men's Burleigh Waters	No	Thursday 7:30pm Mermaids	No
Tuesday 7am Miami Morning Fix	No	Friday 6pm Southport Steps	No

Meeting	GSR	Meeting	GSR
Tuesday 1pm Burleigh Heads JFT	No	Friday 6:30pm Palm Beach	No
Tuesday 6:30pm Helensvale Basic Text	Yes	Friday 7:30pm Surfers Paradise Spiritual Principles	No
Tuesday 7pm Palm Beach JFT	No	Saturday 10am Mermaid HHIS	Yes
Tuesday 7pm Southport Men's	Yes	Saturday 5pm Burleigh Heads JFT	No
Tuesday 6:30pm Tweed Heads	No	Saturday 7:30pm Southport SNL	Yes
Wednesday 11am Southport How & Why	Yes	Sunday 10:30am Palm Beach JFT	No
Wednesday 7pm Southport Guest Speaker	Yes	Sunday 5pm Burleigh Heads WDR	No
Wednesday 6pm Elanora Meditation	No	Sunday 6pm Mermaid LGBTIQ	No
		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:

- Secretary (Acting)
- Treasurer
- GSR Thursday Night Straight off the streets
- Hospitals and Institutions Chair
- GSR Friday Night Spiritual Principles

6. Quorum in attendance: 7
7. Count of voting members: 7
8. Consensus to recognise observers: Yes
9. Accept previous minutes as true and correct: Accepted by GSR Tuesday Mens, has sent amendment to secretary.
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 report.

- Vice Chairperson Report Verbal report.
 - Secretary Report Vacant
 - Treasurer Report No Report
 - RCM Report Vacant
 - Alt RCM Report Vacant
 - Policy Chairperson Report Vacant.
 - Literature Chairperson Report Vacant
 - Newsletter Chairperson Report Vacant.
 - Convention Chairperson Report Verbal
 - Activities Chairperson Report Vacant
 - Camp Serenity Chairperson Report Vacant
 - Public Relations Chairperson Report Vacant.
 - Hospitals & Institutions Chairpersons Report No Report
11. GSRs reported highlights of Group Business
 12. Old Business - No old business
 13. New Business - No new Proposals
 14. Election of Trusted Servants:
 - RCM: – GSR Southport Early Birds nominated, elected
 - Alt RCM: – GSR Southport How and Why nominated, elected
 - Secretary - No nominations

- Literature Chair – Currumbin Clinic H&I Coordinator nominated, elected
 - Policy Chair: No nominations
 - Public Relations: No nominations
 - Newsletter Chair: Member nominated, elected
15. Discussion/Workshop
Areas will now pay postage instead of the FSO. Was announced at the ARSC
- The Convention Committee was acknowledged for efforts in the convention. Vetting process suggested for future entertainment.
- Square reader - questioned if NA can supply an ABN for groups. Confirmed that this is not possible. This is dependent on trusted servants and a group's autonomy.
- QR Code idea suggested for 7th traditions
16. Establish date for next GCASC meeting: Sunday 30th April 2023 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:

- Urgently need camp serenity chair, venue is booked with deposit, 14th-16th of July, some already showing interest to be involved with sub-committee
- Southport Early Birds Meeting - All chair positions filled
- Wednesday Guest Speaker - Talk of losing attendance due to word of the meeting “being under surveillance” venue has clarified that this is not the case.

Other:

- 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 Covid safe plan 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.

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

- Secretary
- Activities Chair
- Camp Serenity Chair
- PR Chair - 3 years clean time.
- Policy Chair - 3 years clean time.
- Alt RCM – 3 years clean time

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

<u>Secretary</u>	Clean time: 1 year	Term: 1 year
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Area secretary handles all their committee’s paperwork. Their first responsibility is to take clear, accurate minutes of area committee meetings and distribute those minutes to all committee participants within a reasonable period of time after each meeting. Secretary needs to keep an updated list of participants’ email addresses.

<u>Policy Chair</u>	Clean time: 3 years	Term: 1 year
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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.

<u>Camp Serenity Chair</u>	Clean time: 3 years	Term: 1 year
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The Camp Serenity Subcommittee Chairperson’s primary role is to form and coordinate a subcommittee to plan, prepare and facilitate the GCASC’s annual winter campout known as Camp Serenity. Camp Serenity is traditionally held on the last weekend of July in the Numinbah Valley. The position is elected by the GCASC at their January meeting. The duration of the position is from February to September (9 months).

<u>Public Relations Chair</u>	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.

<u>Activities Chair</u>	Clean time: 2 years	Term: 1 year

Dances, picnics, special speaker meetings, workshops – these events are put on by the area activities subcommittee. Activities like these can provide a greater sense of community for the local NA Fellowship and produce additional area income. It should always be kept in mind, however, that these functions are designed to enhance NA’s primary purpose, not to replace group contributions in funding area services

Next GCASC meeting is 2-4pm on Sunday 30 April 2023 at the Anglican Church main hall, 14 Park Ave, Burleigh Heads.

REPORTS

Chairperson

Verbal report.

Vice Chairperson

Verbal Report.

Secretary

Not Present

Treasurer

Not Present

RCM

Vacant

Alt RCM

Vacant

Policy Chairperson

Vacant.

Literature Chairperson

Vacant

Newsletter Chairperson

Vacant.

Convention Chairperson

Chairperson

Verbal

Camp Serenity Chairperson

Vacant

Public Relations Chairperson

Vacant.

Hospitals & Institutions Chairperson

We are still looking for Currumbin coordinator- Outgoing currently care taking.
Please announce in meetings

New WhatsApp group created to replace Excel spreadsheet. All members who want to be part of H and I service can join. I will post the link on "Deus Ex " FB

Please join

Coordinator is onto it to organise an interview with the jails so woman can attend H and I Service. Waiting on date.

Group Reports

GSR/Alt GSR Name:

Report Date: 2023-03-28

Group Name/Location: Straight off the streets Southport

Meeting Day/Time: Thursday 7:30

Average Weekly Attendance: 35

Trusted Servant Topics: Yes

Atmosphere of Recovery: Reading Na approved literature
Welcoming the newcomer

Opening Balance: 34.10

Total Monthly Collection: 115.65

Rent Paid: 102

Your Email Address:

Prudent Reserve (Remaining Balance): 47.75

Group Name/Location: Friday Night Spiritual Principles

Meeting Day/Time: Friday 7:00pm

Average Weekly Attendance: 17.5

Trusted Servant Topics: All Group positions are filled.
The Tea lady says his box is clean.

Atmosphere of Recovery: Steps working group held before meeting.

Your Email Address: tres.spiritual.principles@gmail.com

Opening Balance: 195.33

Total Monthly Collection: 183.95

Rent Paid: 60
Literature: 57.05
Other Expenses: 39.98
Other Expenses Description: Square reader + March fees.
Area Secretary's Email Address: secretary.goldcoast@na.org.au
GSR/Alt GSR Name:

Prudent Reserve (Remaining Balance): 222.25

GSR/Alt GSR Name: e
Report Date: 2023-03-26
Group Name/Location: Helensvale Tuesday night
Meeting Day/Time: Tuesday night
Average Weekly Attendance: 11
Trusted Servant Topics: All is well
Atmosphere of Recovery: Literature
Clean time ID
Group conscience
Monthly dinner
Total Monthly Collection: 220
Rent Paid: 132.00
Area Service Contribution: 20
Your Email Address:

Prudent Reserve (Remaining Balance): 68.00

GSR/Alt GSR Name:
Report Date: 2023-03-26
Group Name/Location: Saturday Night Live
Meeting Day/Time: 7:30pm Saturday

Average Weekly Attendance: 40
Trusted Servant Topics: The only vacant position in the Group is the Alt. GSR. All responsibilities are met and shared if needs be.
Atmosphere of Recovery: We have a structured approach. A strong format and only Group members Chair as per our Group Conscience. We meet monthly for our Group Conscience.
Other Topics : Group feedback about the Convention was very positive.
Other Expenses Description: TBC
Your Email Address:

Prudent Reserve (Remaining Balance): 0.00

GSR/Alt GSR Name:
Report Date: 2023-03-26
Group Name/Location: Palm Beach steps
Meeting Day/Time: Thursday night 7:30
Average Weekly Attendance: 17
Trusted Servant Topics: All positions are filled & members are filling their responsibilities we keep in touch during the week in case someone can't fulfil their responsibilities.
Atmosphere of Recovery: We try keep it focused on the step. We read from the basic text before the meeting starts.
Your Email Address:

Prudent Reserve (Remaining Balance): 0.00

GSR/Alt GSR Name:
Report Date: 2023-03-26
Group Name/Location: Early birds Broadwater parklands
Meeting Day/Time: Monday-friday

Average Weekly Attendance: 8-10

Trusted Servant Topics: Yes

Atmosphere of Recovery: Read from the jft topic

Your Email Address:

Prudent Reserve (Remaining Balance): 0.00

GSR/Alt GSR Name:

Report Date: 2023-03-26

Group Name/Location: Mermaid Beach

Meeting Day/Time: Saturday 10.00

Average Weekly Attendance: 10-15

Trusted Servant Topics: We need Group Members- Positions filled Secretary, Tea & Coffee person & Acting GSR filled by Treasurer

Atmosphere of Recovery: Regular Group Consciences & review

Opening Balance: 62.10

Total Monthly Collection: 75.20

Area Service Contribution: 50

Catering (Tea/Coffee etc): 1.60

Literature: -44.50

Your Email Address:

Prudent Reserve (Remaining Balance): 130.20

GSR/Alt GSR Name:

Report Date: 2023-03-26

Group Name/Location: CWA Southport

Meeting Day/Time: Wednesday 11 an
Average Weekly Attendance: 12
Trusted Servant Topics: All positions are filled
Atmosphere of Recovery: Following the 12 traditions.
Our meeting if a study meeting.
Opening Balance: 225.90
Total Monthly Collection: 184.90
Rent Paid: 210.00
Area Service Contribution: 0.00
Catering (Tea/Coffee etc): 0.00
Literature: 0.00
Other Expenses: 0.00
Other Expenses Description: NA
Your Email Address:

Prudent Reserve (Remaining Balance): 200.80

Group Name/Location: Guest Speaker Topic Meeting
Meeting Day/Time: Wednesday 7pm
Average Weekly Attendance: 14
Trusted Servant Topics: Yes
Atmosphere of Recovery: Carrying the message of Recovery
Your Email Address:
Opening Balance: 24.05
Total Monthly Collection: 91.70
Rent Paid: 88.00
Area Service Contribution: 00.00
Catering (Tea/Coffee etc): 00.00
Literature: 00.00
Other Expenses: -0.01
GSR/Alt GSR Name: Shane A

Prudent Reserve (Remaining Balance): 27.76

GSR/Alt GSR Name:

Report Date: 2023-03-22

Group Name/Location: Tuesday Mens Meeting Southport

Meeting Day/Time: 7pm Tuesday

Average Weekly
Attendance: 12-20

Trusted Servant
Topics: Most positions filled.
Alt GSR: vacant

Atmosphere of
Recovery: 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 with pre-meeting dinners somewhere.
We celebrate clean time with key-tag Dylan.
We have literature for sale and free pamphlets.

Other Topics : We briefly discussed changing the topic of our meeting from Just For Today reading to the new book Spiritual Principle A Day.

Opening Balance: 477.45

Total Monthly
Collection: 151.30

Rent Paid: 85.2

Area Service
Contribution: 200

Literature: 142.70

Your Email Address:

Prudent Reserve (Remaining Balance): 200.85