

Gold Coast Area Service Committee



Sunday 26 November 2023

Anglican Church big hall, 14 Park Avenue, Burleigh Heads

4 was the minimum quorum. 8 Group Service Representatives present

Administration Committee

Position	Name	Present	Position	Name	Present
Chair	██████	Yes	Treasurer	██████	Yes
Vice-Chair	Vacant	N/A	RCM	██████	Yes
Secretary	██████	Yes	RCM Alternate	██████	Yes

Sub-Committee Chairs

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

GSRs

Meeting	GSR	Meeting	GSR
MONDAY			
Monday Wednesday Friday Early birds Southport	No	Women Living Clean - Helensvale	No
Burleigh Heads Beginners	Yes -	Burleigh Waters Mens	No
TUESDAY			
Just for Today Burleigh Heads	No	Tweed Heads "The NA Message"	No
Helensvale Basic Text	No	Palm Beach - Just For Today	No
Southport Mens			

WEDNESDAY			
Burleigh Brunch How and Why	No	Tweed Heads Step 11 Meditation	No
Southport Guest Speaker	Yes		

THURSDAY			
Palm Beach Road to Recover	Yes	Mermaid Womens	Yes
Southport Straight off the Streets	No	Palm Beach Steps	Yes
FRIDAY			
Friday Night Freedom Currumbin	No	Friday Night Spiritual Principals	No
SATURDAY			
Hey Hey Its Saturday Burleigh Waters	No	Burleigh NA	No
Saturday Night Live	Yes		
SUNDAY			
Burleigh Heas We do Recover	Yes	Queer As Folk	No
Coomera Beginners Meeting	Yes		

Order of Business

1. Chair's opening -

Meeting commenced at 2:04pm.

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:

- [REDACTED] - Chairperson
- [REDACTED] -Friday Night SP
- Literature Chair
- GSR Wed Southport
- Currumbin Sunday - [REDACTED]

6. Quorum in attendance: 8

7. Count of voting members: 8

8. Consensus to recognise observers:

Moved by GSR Tweed Heads Wednesday to recognised [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] as observers

9. Accept previous minutes as true and correct:

Moved by GSR Wednesday Tweed Heads = 2nd GSR SNL

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 – No Report
- Vice Chairperson – Chaired the meeting
- Secretary Report – Vacant
- Treasurer Report - Verbal and Written Report
- RCM Report - Verbal Report
- Alt RCM Report – Verbal Report
- Policy Chairperson Report - Vacant
- Literature Chairperson Report - Written Report
- Newsletter Chairperson Report - Written Report
- Convention Chairperson Report - Written report

- Activities Chairperson Report - Vacant
- Camp Serenity Chairperson Report - Vacant
- Public Relations Chairperson Report - Written Report
- Hospitals & Institutions Chairpersons Report - Not present

11. GSRs reported highlights of Group Business:

- Friday night spiritual principles is looking for OCM's as getting a high amount of newcomers

12. Old Business -

- Christmas and New Years being hosted by Friday Night Spiritual Principals will be putting in a proposal in this regard.

13. Election of Trusted Servants:

- Adam was nominated as Secretary and was elected into the position of Secretary.
- [REDACTED] was nominated as Activities chair and as she is under the clean time requirement by a very small amount. it was moved to suspend policy in this regard which was carried and [REDACTED] was elected into the position of Activities Chair
- **Discussion/Workshop:**
- Vice-Chair presented that new GCNASC service guideline booklets have been printed

15. New Business - Proposals:

That the Activities committee take over the running of the Christmas and New years Activities as per policy rescinding last months' proposal by Friday Spiritual Principals Forwarded by Chair n 2nd [REDACTED]

That the GCASC Literature Position be Abolished. – Intent: It is more practical for Groups to order directly from the FSO. Forwarded by GSR Saturday Night Live. 2nd GSR Coomera Sunday

16. Establish date for next GCASC meeting:

Next area 2pm 28 January 2024 at 14 Park Avenue, Burleigh Heads

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’.

Announcements:

GOLD COAST CONVENTION 2024 IS NOW ON THE ANZAC DAY LONG WEEKEND – 26 -28

APRIL 2024 BROADBEACH

WEDNESDAY NIGHT GUEST SPEAKER IS NOW 7.00 PM TO 8.15

SUPPORT NEEDED TO ORGANISE XMAS/NEW YEARS EVE EVENTS, PLEASE CONTACT

ACTIVITIES CHAIR OR AREA CHAIR

- 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/> - 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.

- Please spread the word that area has vacant service positions

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

- Policy Chair - 3 years clean time
- Camp Serenity Chair

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

<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.

Camp Serenity Chair	Clean time: 3 years	Term: 9 months
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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

Next GCASC meeting is 2-4pm on Sunday 28th January 2024 at the Anglican Church main hall, 14 Park Ave, Burleigh Heads.

REPORTS:

Chairperson:

Vacant

Vice-Chairperson:

Verbal Report

Secretary:

Vacant

Treasurer:

GCASC NOVEMBER 2023 TREASURERS REPORT

ALL ACCOUNT DETAILS

Date	Details		Balance
26/11/2023	GCASC Main Account		\$ 5,201.12
	Activities Committee Account		\$ 1,000.58
	Convention Committee Account		\$ 11,008.05
	Literature Committee Account		\$ 252.30
	Camp Serenity Committee Account		\$ 3,800.00
	Cash on Hand		\$ 100.00
			\$ 21,362.05

GCASC BANK ACCOUNT

Date	Details	Debits	Credits	Balance
29/10/2023	Opening Balance			\$3,966.12
29/10/2023	Rent - Phone Line Workshop	\$ 15.00		
30/10/2023	Saturday Night Live		\$ 90.00	
30/10/2023	Burleigh Waters Saturday		\$ 50.00	
31/10/2023	Interest		\$ 0.45	
10/11/2023	Queer as Folk		\$ 100.00	
12/11/2023	Transfer to Literature - Postage	\$ 25.00		
21/11/2023	Friday Night SP		\$ 154.30	
21/11/2023	Sunday Currumbin		\$ 302.25	
22/11/2023	Southport Mens Meeting *		\$ 140.00	
24/11/2023	Palm Beach Steps		\$ 148.00	
24/11/2023	Coomera Beginners		\$ 90.00	
24/11/2023	Helensvale Tuesday		\$ 200.00	
	Sub Total	\$40.00	\$ 1,275.00	
	BALANCE			\$5,201.12
	Balance Reconciliation as of 29/10/2023			

Thank you to all groups and members that flowed funds to the Gold Coast Area Service Committee. We received \$1274.55 since 29 October 2023.

Groups or members can transfer funds electronically which is the preferred method to receive your fund flow.

Bank of Queensland - BSB - 124 001 Account Number - 10201668

Please use the Groups Name and day as the reference or just - Member 7th for an individual contribution.

As this is my last report as Area Treasurer, I have attended the BOQ at Southport and have been advised that there are changes to the Banking Protocols which affect all Charities and Non-Profit organisations.

I have requested BOQ to update all Bank Accounts held for the Gold Coast Area Service Committee to reflect the new Administration consisting of:

Louis A: Chairperson

GCASC NOVEMBER 2023 TREASURERS REPORT

Vice Chair:

Treasurer: [REDACTED]

RCM: [REDACTED]

Alternate RCM: [REDACTED]

Secretary: [REDACTED]

Going forward all new signatories need to attend the Southport Branch with their Photo ID and sign the appropriate forms each time the Administration Committee Changes.

YILS - [REDACTED]

RCM:

Verbal Report

Alt-RCM:

November 2023 Alteration RCM Gold Coast area report The following are points of interest from the last month RCM online Catchup

1. Development Outreach Committee:
 - Monthly catch-up offline; Subcommittee available for contact.
 - Progress on the OFD position continues in the background.
2. RCM Reporting Template:
 - Discussion on the template's information volume; decision to maintain the current format.
3. Postage Costs and GSF Challenges:
 - Victoria proposes the region covers postage costs due to GSF-related challenges.
 - Geographic issues in meetings discussed.
4. GSR Attendance:
 - National

concern raised; collective effort to address GSR attendance challenges. 5. Commitment Challenges: • RCMs acknowledge distractions from subcommittees and home groups, recognizing it as part of service. 6. Retreats: • Organized retreats in various areas were successful and well-received. Upcoming tri-annual ARSC Meeting on December 2nd: 1. RCM Report to Region: • Expression of interest to host November 2024 ARSC. Foot note: there is a potential for our area hosting speaker jam on the same weekend. Admin Meeting Highlights: 1. Contact List Update: • The comity has decided to update the outdated contact list for GSRs in the new year. 2. Banking List and Authorizations: • Review and update of outdated signatories and authorizations. 3. Formal Election Process: • Follow policy handbook for the vice chair rolling into the chair election. 4. Convention Chair Allocation: • Allocation needed for the next few months for accessing the float. RCM and Alt RCM Collaboration: 1. Discussion on support • Discussion on supporting each other and maintaining a structured approach. 2. Literature Postage Funds: • Discussion with the literature chair on simplifying the process Meeting with Literature Chair 1. Identified the issue • The process needs reform • We discussed a proposal for that reform New business 1. Open a discussion around fund flow to the ARSC. Thank you all for your commitment and hard work. Let's continue to enhance our service and experiences together. Best regards,
██████████ Alterative RCM Gold Coast

Camp Serenity Chair:

Vacant

Policy Chairperson:

Vacant

Literature Chairperson:

Verbal Report

H&I Chairperson:

H and I is under control. Not going great but I am working on it. We desperately need 2 new coordinators please announce in all meetings



PR Chairperson:

Verbal Report

Newsletter Report:

No Report

Convention Chairperson:

Hi all, Due to members being unavailable for various reasons it was a group conscience decision not to hold our meeting for the month of November. We received communication notifying us that to state elections are being held at the Broadbeach Cultural centre therefore we could no longer hold the convention in March. We have been lucky enough to secure a new date which will be the 26th- 28th April 2024. We have a completed logo that is pending committee approval, various sub committees are continuing to pull together. Things are tracking along well. Our next committee meeting will be held on the 16th December. YILS
Convention chair

Group Reports:

GSR/Alt GSR Name: [REDACTED]
Report Date: 2023-11-25
Group Name/Location: Straight of the streets / Southport
Meeting Day/Time: Thursday/ 7:30
Average Weekly Attendance: 7/30 dependant on rehab attendance
Trusted Servant Topics: In need of more active group members.
Atmosphere of Recovery: Reading NA approved literature
Welcoming newcomer
Opening Balance: 145.5
Total Monthly Collection: 62.85
Rent Paid: 102
Literature: 24

Prudent Reserve (Remaining Balance): 82.35

GSR/Alt GSR Name: [REDACTED]
Report Date: 2023-11-25
Group Name/Location: queer as folk lgbtq+ Mermaid
Meeting Day/Time: 6pm sunday
Average Weekly Attendance: 6
Trusted Servant Topics: we need members. secretary role is swapped between 2 members. Treasurer role filled. No literature person
Atmosphere of Recovery: keeping the meeting open
Opening Balance: 300.00
Rent Paid: 65.00
Area Service Contribution: 100.00
Prudent Reserve (Remaining Balance): 135.00

GSR/Alt GSR Name: Position Vacant
Report Date: 2023-11-25
Group Name/Location: Hey hey It's Saturday NA/Burleigh Waters
Meeting Day/Time: Saturday 10.00am
Average Weekly Attendance: 15
Trusted Servant Topics: We continue to support [REDACTED] as Secretary, thank you for your service. Welcome [REDACTED]. our newest home group member. [REDACTED] is Treasurer.

Atmosphere of Recovery: Maintain good message of recovery through regular group conscience and messenger for interim discussions.

Opening Balance: 98.45

Total Monthly Collection: 80.10

Rent Paid: 85.50

Prudent Reserve (Remaining Balance): 93.05

GSR/Alt GSR Name: [REDACTED]

Report Date: 2023-11-26

Group Name/Location: Wednesday How and why

Meeting Day/Time: Wednesday 11am

Average Weekly Attendance: 15

Trusted Servant Topics: Need a new secretary
Alt Gsr

Atmosphere of Recovery: We read through the How and why Book going through the details of our step work, learning to build a healthy foundation throughout the steps and always supporting the new comer, bringing it back to 1.2.3. The baseline to our work.

Opening Balance: 429.65

Total Monthly Collection: 94.25

Rent Paid: 42.00

Area Service Contribution: 100

Literature: 95.60

Prudent Reserve (Remaining Balance): 286.30

Report Date: 2023-11-26

Group Name/Location: Guest Speaker Topic Meeting

Meeting Day/Time: Wednesday 7.15 pm

Average Weekly Attendance: 15

Trusted Servant Topics: Need Group Members

Atmosphere of Recovery: Guest speaker every week

Opening Balance: 37.80
Total Monthly Collection: 96.19
Rent Paid: 66.59
Area Service Contribution: -0.01
Catering (Tea/Coffee etc): -0.01
Literature: 00.00
Other Expenses: -0.01

GSR/Alt GSR Name: [REDACTED]

Prudent Reserve (Remaining Balance): 67.43

GSR/Alt GSR Name: [REDACTED]
Report Date: 2023-11-26
Group Name/Location: Helensvale Tuesday night
Meeting Day/Time: Tuesday 630pm
Average Weekly Attendance: 20
Trusted Servant Topics: All group positions are being fulfilled
Atmosphere of Recovery: Regular group conscience
Regular home group member attendance
Welcoming new comers

Prudent Reserve (Remaining Balance): 0.00

GSR/Alt GSR Name: [REDACTED]
Report Date: 2023-11-26
Group Name/Location: Coomera Sunday night beginners
Meeting Day/Time: Sunday 630pm

Average Weekly Attendance: 15-20
Trusted Servant Topics: All positions are being fulfilled except GSR (I'm currently alternate GSR)
Atmosphere of Recovery: Regular group conscious
Welcoming new comers
Home group members regular attendance
Gaining more home group members

Prudent Reserve (Remaining Balance): 0.00

GSR/Alt GSR Name: [REDACTED]
Report Date: 2023-11-26
Group Name/Location: Mon beginners
Meeting Day/Time: 6pm
Average Weekly Attendance: 25
Trusted Servant Topics: All positions filled
Atmosphere of Recovery: Tea and coffee, focusing on the newcomer
Other Topics : Just struggling to get enough through the 7th, often times hg members pay rent.

Prudent Reserve (Remaining Balance): 0.00

GSR/Alt GSR Name: [REDACTED]
Report Date: 2023-11-26
Group Name/Location: Saturday Night Live
Meeting Day/Time: 7:30pm Saturday Night
Average Weekly Attendance: 40
Trusted Servant Topics: Alt GRS position is available
Atmosphere of Recovery: Structured group with formalised meeting format. Meet monthly for group conscience - we have specific format for our Group Con. Group members chair the meeting to maintain a clear atmosphere of recovery. We have a statement relating to having a safe environment. We regularly send a GRS to the GCASC.
Opening Balance: 84.25
Total Monthly Collection: 228.95
Rent Paid: 69.15

Area Service Contribution: 160
Other Expenses Description: n/a

Prudent Reserve (Remaining Balance): 84.05