



# MINUTES OF AREA “B” ASSEMBLY

**Place: Samford**

**Date: 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2019**

**MEETING OPENED:**10am

**TRADITIONS:** Tradition 2, Declaration Of Unity, Responsibility Declaration

## ATTENDANCE SHEET FOR AREA ASSEMBLY (AREA B North Eastern Region)

NAME	GROUP	GROUP POSITION	AREA POSITION	ETV
Melissa C	Wednesday Hope Group Bundaberg	Treasurer	Secretary	Y
Diane C	SC Traditions & Concepts		Chair	Y
Sam T	Greenslopes		CO Liaison	N
Cass B	Coolum	GSR		Y
Cliff P	Gympie	GSR	Alt DCM	Y
Peter R	Aspley Daily Reflections	Alt GSR		Y
Jennie D	Petrie Park Nambour	GSR		Y
Linda T	Coolum			N
Bruce M	Brisbane North	DCM		Y
Therese P	Gympie Steps	Outgoing Treasurer	Treasurer	Y
Scott E	Chevallum	Alt GSR		Y
Joshua L	Bray Park Big Book	GSR		Y
Demelza L	Paddington			Y
Paul M	Paddington		Alt Chair	Y
Ian T	Maryborough Tues Night	GSR		Y
Jim S	Maryborough Wed Night	GSR	Maryborough Correctional Centre Coordinator	Y
Ruby J	Class A Trustee			N

NAME	GROUP	GROUP POSITION	AREA POSITION	ETV
Garrick S	Nambour Saturday	GSR		N
Leanne G	Bray Park Big Book	Alt GSR		N
Jodi H	Nambour Saturday Night	DCM		N
Chris B	SSCT & C	Dishwasher	Delegate	Y
Dale A	Caloundra Monday Night	GSR		Y
Vic A	Nambour Saturday Night	OBS		N
Clare P	Cosmos Friday Night		PI Coordinator	Y
Richard B	MGM		Woodford Correctional Centre Coordinator	Y
Ron J	Morven. Far Western District	GSR	DIAL-IN	Y
Linda J	Morven, Far Western District		DIAL-IN	Y
Peter R	Chermside Daily Reflections	Alternate GSR		Y

**APOLOGIES:** Bettina W, Mandi, Stephen R, Jennifer H, Derrick S, Ingrid B, Janet McK

**VOTING BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND VOTING GSRS – n ETV (eligible to vote) - 17**

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS ASSEMBLY:** Minutes of Meeting held at Bundaberg on August 17th

*(May be read or taken as read)* Taken as Read

**Business Arising:** Motion: Motion on Page 20 to be amended as follows:

Area Committee Members to only receive \$80 for travel if they travel.

**Moved:** Jodi

**Seconded:** Cliff

**Carried:** Unanimous

**Business Arising:** Ric C had challenged from the previous minutes the validity of the Chairpersons right to move motion, and if not eligible, should we revisit the motions moved by Paul B Alt Chairperson for Gympie Assembly.

Amendment to the name: Paul M not Paul B.

Amendment: Chair will not move a motion moving forward, however the previous motions of past chair will be stand.

**Moved:** Cliff

**Seconded:** Josh

**Carried:** Unanimous

**Business Arising:** None

### **CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT:**

Area B Chair Report Samford 02 Nov 2019 Diane Creagh My name is Diane and I am an alcoholic. I would like to thank all the participants for turning up at this assembly and also thanks to the Samford Weekend Committee for inviting Area B to hold this Assembly at the wonderful venue; and I for one am taking the opportunity to stay for the whole weekend. I have previously found these weekends to be very beneficial for the fellowship of AA. To ensure that the Assembly flows smoothly I would like to reiterate that all items are to be "through the chair". A reminder that cross talk is disruptive and makes it hard for the secretary to ensure that the items under discussion are captured correctly. This Assembly is the last one for our Regional Delegate Chris and I want to thank her for her very proactive approach to her role. I am sure that everyone has appreciated the open communication that Chris has generated between us all. A warm welcome to the members who are using the teleconference call to attend this Assembly and we are hoping that this facility will encourage more participation from those members/groups in remote locations. When forwarding items to the secretary to be included in the minutes it is preferred that a clean A4 black and white copy with the appropriate attachments as background and pictures chews up the ink cartridges. As per a recommendation from a member I have bought copies of the GSO group registration forms and if you would like to know which area your meeting is located you can put the postcode into the spreadsheet found via the service website

<http://www.aaservice.org.au/membersonly/wp-content/uploads/2018/11/What-Area-is-That-v3.xlsx>

We are trying to capture all the groups in Area B to encourage better communication and information sharing.

YIS

Diane Creagh

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**Moved:** Josh

**Seconded:** Jim

**Carried:** Unanimous

**Business Arising:** None

TREASURER’S REPORT:

Area B NER Treasurer's Report 1/08/2019 - 31/10/2019

There have been ongoing issue with having access to linking account and relevant address changes for monthly statements.

Procedure review for transfer of treasurer function.

Two officer bearers who are signatories for bank must SIGN new treasurer ON minutes PRIOR to submitting to bank.

Change of authority must be signed by two abovementioned office bearers PRIOR to having new treasurer sign banking forms.

Our Account details are as below.. Please make sure you put a GROUP NAME in when doing a direct deposit - to this account so we can acknowledge your groups contribution.

Bank Account Details    Commonwealth Bank    Alcoholics Anonymous Area B    BSB 064 416    Account No. 1036 6548

A huge thank you to all Groups, Meetings, and Members who have contributed and continue to support to Area B.

Please note new postal address for chqs.    Area B Treasurer, 10A Lousia Lane Gympie QLD 4570

Bettina raised question re P1 prepayment. I haved asked former Treasurer and her response is that the money was deposited on dates below, though was not acknowledged in her report.

Chq 317 made out to "Area Delegate" on 16/2/19. A total of \$331.75 was deposited back into account of 19/3/19

19/03/2019			254 P1 forum reimbursement	\$244.45
19/03/2019			255 P1 forum reimbursement	\$87.30

Opening balance (from prev report) as at 31/07/19

Group Contributions - see attachment	\$ 2,172.03
Aug-19	\$ 798.00
Sep-19	\$1,425.00
Oct-19	
Balance	\$ 4,395.03

Less outgoing from 31/7/19

second quarter conference	\$ 800.00
Area Chair - Dianne Creach - 325 (fuel)	\$ 80.00
Alcoholics Anonymous Area B (BSB 064 416) (fuel)	\$ 87.30
Area B Treasurer - Chq 317 (fuel)	\$ 87.30

Balance \$ 7,575.25

Balance \$ 11,970.28

<u>RECONCILIATION</u>	
Bank as at 31/10/2019	\$ 10,601.47
Less Cheques not presented Qrts 3&4 conference	\$ 1,600.00
Actual Balance as per worksheets	\$ 9,001.47

This report covers 30/04/2019 to 31/07/2019

Incoming	\$ 4,395.03
Outgoing	\$ 2,640.00

Actual Balance	\$ 9,001.47
Less Prudent Reserve	\$ 3,200.00
Funds available	\$ 5,801.47
Less payments for approval (listed below)	\$ 2,507.99
Balance - Surplus	\$ 3,293.48

Payments for Approval this 17/08/2019 Assembly:

Fuel Subsidie	5x80.00	\$	400.00
Clare PI & CPC 2019		\$	500.00
Request for reimbursement of treasurers report		\$	-
Cliff - Speaker		\$	200.00
Secretary Printer Ink		\$	77.99

## ESTIMATED BUDGET FOR NEXT ASSEMBLY Feb 2020

Fuel Subsidies 6 x \$80.00	\$ 480.00
First Conference levy due December 2020	\$ 850.00
	<u>\$ 1,330.00</u>

**Yours in Service,**

Therese Phillips (Area Treasurer)



Group Contributions for Area B 2019

GROUP	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	TOTAL
Albany Creek													
Aspley Daily Reflections	\$30.00	\$40.00											\$70.00
Aspley Monday													
Bray Park Big Book													
Bribie Is Mon Recov	\$120.00												\$120.00
Bribie Is Fri Night													
Buddina Monday BB													
Buderim Women's Tues													
Boonah													
Bulcock Bach Early Birds	\$60.00												\$60.00
Bundaberg Sun Daily Refs		\$50.00											\$50.00
Bundaberg Lunch Op Wed													
Bundaberg Thurs Id		\$25.00											\$25.00
Bundaberg Friday													
Caboolture Sun/Wed.	\$20.00												\$20.00
Caboolture BB Tues													
Caloundra ABSI Monday													
Caloundra ID Wed Night	\$40.00												\$40.00
Caloundra Big Book Sat.													
Caloundra Early Birds													
Carsseldine Higher Power													
Central Service AA area b													
Charleville													
Chemside West													
Chevallum Sat Night													
Chinchilla Group													
Cooloolah Cove	\$90.00												\$90.00
Cooloolah Alliance													
Cooroy Group													
Cosmos Group	\$20.00												\$20.00
CSO Brisbane													
Cotton Tree Liv Sob													
Currumbul BBSG													
Daily Sunday/Wed.													
Deception Bay Pen BBSG													
Dicky Beach													
District Brisbane North													
District 9													
District 6													
District Far West Morvan													
Dorrington Steps													
Dulacca Group													
Eidsvold Thursday													
Enoggera Big Book													
Gladstone													
Glasshouse Mt ID Sun													
Glenwood	\$10.00												\$10.00
Gympie Mon bbsteps													
Gympie BB Tuesday	\$200.00												\$200.00
Gympie Group													
Hervey Bay Open ID Fri Night Pabbia	\$200.00												\$200.00
Howard													
Kawana Early Birds													
Kawana Friday Group													
Kawana Pacific	\$9.00												\$9.00

GROUP	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	TOTAL
Lutwyche													
Maleny As Bill Sees It													
Maroochydore Mon O ID													
Maroochydore Wed Prom													
Maroochydore Frid cosmos													
Maroochydore Sunday Topic													
Moodoolaba Beginners													
Moodoolaba Tuesday Men's	\$20.00												\$20.00
Maryborough BB Pihouse Sat	\$20.00												\$20.00
Maryborough Wed night													
Morven													
Mundubbera													
Nambour Saturday	\$100.38												\$100.38
Newstead Saturday GLBT		\$25.00											\$25.00
Noosa Daily Reil Wed													
Noosa Sat Topic													
Noosa Men Tues & Thur Topic	\$50.00												\$50.00
Noosa/Tewantin Tues BB		\$20.00											\$20.00
Noosa Tewantin Women													
Nundah	\$10.00												\$10.00
Oxley Station Open Id													
AA Paddington donation													
Paddington Serenity													
Petrie Park													
Pomona													
Rainbow Group													
Redcliffe Women's	\$20.00												\$20.00
Redcliffe Monday Living Sober	\$24.00	\$20.00											\$44.00
Redcliffe AM Rec Monday													
Redcliffe Thursday													
Red Hill ABSI Sunday													
Red Hill Promises Tuesday	\$32.00												\$32.00
Roma - Jim A		\$30.00											\$30.00
Rochampton Gunby Gunby													
Samford Group													
Sandgate Monday ID													
Sandgate S Conc Sat p.m.	\$30.00												\$30.00
Sandgate Brighton St @ Trad													
Sobriety Sisters													
Springhill Group													
Sunshine Coast Trad&Conc	\$30.00												\$30.00
Tewantin Monday Night ID													
Tin Can Bay 12x12	\$15.00												\$15.00
Yeppoon													
Zillmere Wednesday ID													
Unknown Direct Credit	\$1,139.38	\$210.00											\$1,349.38
Month													
Total	\$75.10												\$75.10
7th Tradition - Assemblies													
NEW TOTAL	\$1,214.48	\$210.00											\$1,424.48

Moved: Therese P

Seconded: Josh L

Carried: Unanimous

Business Arising: None

## **AREA DELEGATE'S REPORT:**

### AREA B NORTH EASTERN REGION REPORT TO ASSEMBLY 2<sup>nd</sup> NOVEMBER 2019

Good morning everybody! Chris. Alcoholic. I'm especially excited about presenting this report today. A warm Aussie welcome to those of you who may have joined us by phoning in to the conference call. It is heartening to know that by adopting some new technology – Bill W would have loved it, I'm sure – we can be united as an Area in spirit and in reality! It is a problem over which I have pondered many times during the last 3 plus years, and to think that the solution is at hand and may prove to be so simple! All I ask is that everybody exercise patience as we work through the teething problems together. I'm sure it won't be a total stroll in the park without any hassles, but together we should be able to make it work for our Area. And of course, a big vote of thanks to Cliff, Brian and Gerry for putting it all together and testing it out.

Since my last report I have attended the following events and functions.

On Aug 31<sup>st</sup> I was part of a Teleconference for the Agenda subcommittee. This is the meeting that decides which Topics will go forward to Conference. Many of the topics which were submitted were repeats of repeats, with the flavour of 2019 being either Rotation not very well disguised as another shot at the "get rid of Valerie campaign", or a 2/3<sup>rd</sup> majority of Delegates. I will return to this specific subject shortly.

Also, on August 31<sup>st</sup> I attended a Group Conscience at Bowen Hills to explain the structure.

September 13-14, I attended the National Forum of the PICPC (Public Information and Cooperation with the Professional Community) in Chatswood.

I participated in the test conference call. It sounded good to me.

The Coomera Concepts meeting every month, is amazing. It has proven to be invaluable to me, in terms of regularly meeting up with like-minded people, and to focus on the Third Legacy. It is well worth the travel and effort.

I attend a small group in Cleveland, which meets monthly to read AA Comes of Age. Invaluable. There's something about doing this sort of reading in a group which makes it very meaningful.

I attended the District 9 Topics Forum. I've been to three or four of these now, and people seem to find them useful. Hopefully if our Topic is accepted there will be more time to discuss Topics in the future.

And I leave tomorrow to travel to Sydney to attend my final Conference.

### ROTATION AND CRITICISM

To return to the subject raised when I spoke about the Agenda Committee.

The principle of rotation only works if those people who have served their time as Trusted Servants, have the grace and common sense to take a big step backwards to leave the new incumbents to get on with the job. Some people seem incapable of accepting the decisions of the Group Conscience, and they keep repeatedly returning to the issue. Our duty as members of AA is to accept the majority decision, and even if we don't agree with it, we must do our best to work with it – not against it. OR AT LEAST NOT CRITICISE. Yes. It's hard at times; however, rotation is one of our greatest spiritual principles. Followed closely by Trusting our Trusted Servants. So, it seems a shame to me that some Trusted Servants don't trust themselves, let alone the process. Of course, we all need to ask advice or direction from time to time, and if it's offered to give it due consideration, because it usually has some merit. Rotation may possibly be the most difficult principle in Service to come to grips with. As ego driven individuals, we want to be the best at everything, but once the baton has been passed to the next person, we must trust that new trusted servant to do the job as they see fit, and if that's not the way we would do it, then too bad. How important is it if the new treasurer, for example sets out the accounts and reports in a different way? He or she is the Trusted Servant with the Right of Decision. As long as the information is there, let's be grateful that the job is being done.

When any group holds a GC, God is asked to be in the room. He/She/It is the ultimate authority. We ask God to direct our collective thinking. Our duty is to be informed. To listen attentively to all the debate. To ask relevant questions. To contribute if we have something pertinent to say, and to vote intelligently, with the greater good of AA Australia uppermost in our minds. Whatever decisions are made, no matter our personal opinion, it becomes the duty of every member to support the decision made. This is Unity in action. It is not the right or privilege of any member to leave the room with a plan to have the decision manipulated to conform to one's own agenda. This principle applies through all our fellowship.



## 2/3<sup>rd</sup> MAJORITY OF DELEGATES. WITH REFERENCE TO SOME OF THE TOPICS.

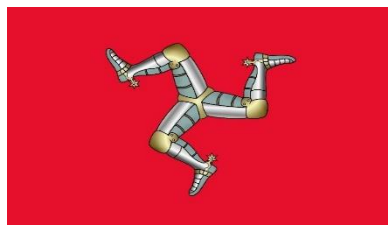
In the conference attendance records collated from 2000 to the present day, there has never been a 2/3<sup>rd</sup> majority of Delegates at Conference in Australia, and we seem to have gotten on pretty well. In the USA with their 90 delegates it's not difficult to get a clear 2/3<sup>rd</sup> majority of DELEGATE'S bums on seats. I tend to agree with the school of thought which indicates that Bill could see that a clear 2/3<sup>rd</sup>s majority of any of the voters at any business meeting of AA, including Conference, would preclude disagreements or doubtful outcomes. I've had several conversations lately with a person with over 40 years of Sobriety, and who has probably attended more Annual Conferences than any other member in Australia. He tells me that there is not one Australian General Service manager who has escaped the nasty net cast wide by the critics. Some have succumbed and left the job too early. Our current manager is more tenacious. She has an awesome capacity to rise above, and she does a wonderful job for us, to a very high standard, despite having to face many personal and workplace challenges.

So, I'd like to set a few matters straight, at least here in Area B., where thankfully we do not have the numbers of misguided whiners, as in other Areas.

- The General Service Manager is an employee of the Board.
- He/she is subject to the employment laws of this country – including security of tenure, and a proper salary.
- The position is NOT subject to rotation. No sane person goes into a job with the expectation of being demoted. When AA members take a position, they go into it knowing that after a period of time they will rotate – hopefully not away, but on to something else. The employees in New York do rotate around all the Service Desks, but they do it at the same level or salary scale. Like any other citizen they can apply for promotion – when there is a vacancy.
- Our tiny office has 3 employees who are all recovered alcoholics serving this fellowship the best way they know how. They do not deserve to be subject to abuse or unjust, ignorant criticism from any person, let alone members of AA who are supposed to be working a spiritual programme. I have had many an occasion to ring the office, more so during the last three years, and I've always been treated respectfully, and had my questions answered.

This is a bittersweet moment for me. My last Assembly as your Delegate, and indeed as a resident of Australia. I'm sure the word is out that I will be leaving to live in New Zealand again, once my term as Delegate is completed on January 1<sup>st</sup>. I can't express enough how grateful I am to have been given the opportunity to serve as a Delegate. It is an amazing privilege. I know I have benefitted and grown as a person, and as an AA member. I have been fully supported by the two committees: Tiffany as Chair, Glenn as Secretary and Linda as Treasurer, and now by Di as Chair, Melissa as Secretary, and Therese as Treasurer. I probably shouldn't name names, because every attendee at every Assembly is equally important. My point is that it's been really good to be able to phone up and ask a question, or to put an idea to somebody who is doing their best to practice all three legacies, and who can see beyond what I have come to see as pogo stick – or one legacy recovery! That may sound harsh; however, we were gifted 3 legacies of recovery, and each should be considered in equal measure. I suspect that the question we will be asked when we get to the Big Meeting in the Sky will be "What did you do with the gift that I gave you"?

In closing, all I can suggest is that we become as informed as we possibly can, on the structure and the literature. Study the Traditions and Concepts and try to apply those beautiful principles in our lives. Do our collective best to pass on the whole message. Encourage sponsees to join us in service. I hope never again to hear the words "you're not ready for that" or "it's just politics" or "they always argue, and I can't stand conflict." I call BS on that. What other group of people do you know of who enjoyed and participated in conflict more than us? The only difference now is that having been gifted a set of spiritual principles with which to solve our conflicts, we need to learn and persevere in using them so our primary purpose can be fulfilled.



In loving gratitude for the opportunity to serve. I will be following the fortunes of Area B with keen interest, love and loyalty.

Chris Bekker, Delegate, Area B North Eastern Region.

**Moved:** Therese

**Seconded:** Josh

**Carried:** Unanimous

**Business Arising:** None

**REGIONAL TRUSTEE'S REPORT:** Read by Melissa C

Dear Melissa

Hope you're well.

I will be attempting to dial in to the Area Assembly from overseas.

In any event, here is my Trustee Report.

Firstly, I am overseas at present but was looking forward to attending this Area Assembly and the Samford Weekend. I wish both every success.

I always enjoy my warm welcome from the people of Area B and I love seeing a well-run weekend and a well-run Assembly.

Well it's that time of year when we have discussed or are discussing the Topics for Conference. I am aware that whilst this will be my first Conference as Trustee it will be Chris B's last as Area Delegate. From my observations, you have been blessed to have such a hard-working and conscientious delegate and it will be sad to see Chris rotate off. I read that she intends to return to NZ, and I wish her well.

Conference commenced on 7 November in Sydney for 4 days duration when the Board and the delegates from around the country convene.

At a Board level we have engaged in correspondence with a couple of entities on separate literature and licensing issues. It is the role of the Board to abide by its licensing agreement with AA World Services and so we have to deal with issues that crop up. This is apparently not a problem unique to Australia and no doubt will be on the agenda for our next Board meeting.

Area A has happily just elected a new delegate who will be attending Conference along with Bonnie I, a first-time delegate from Area C.

It was pleasing to attend the Area A Assembly recently (by phone) where not only the Delegate position was filled but the Treasurer role as well. Both had been vacant for some time and I cannot emphasise enough the ongoing need for our older sober members to encourage our newer members to get involved in service work. It is one side of our triangle- recovery, unity and SERVICE.

It is 11 months until the 2020 National Conference in Toowoomba. On behalf of the committee I cordially invite each and every one of you to come and have a great time. Please check out our website [www.aa-natcon2020.com.au](http://www.aa-natcon2020.com.au)

I encourage registrations so jump on line and register. Come along to the Outback Sensation for a true country experience.

Also, the National Convention is running a 50/50 raffle that will be drawn in December in time for Xmas.

The way it works is that whatever is raised - half goes to the winner and half to the National Convention. The minimum cash prize is \$2,000 but depending on tickets sold could be as much as \$12,000.

The Toowoomba Host Planning Committee is hosting a workshop at the end of this Assembly and I encourage you to stay and be involved. We have some suggestions on how Area B may be able to make a valuable contribution. We are already grateful for the support Area B has given.

I wish you every success with your weekend as we trudge the road of happy destiny.

Yours in service,

Stephen Roche  
NE Regional Trustee

**Moved:** Paul M

**Seconded:** Jim

**Carried:** Unanimous

**Business Arising:** None

### **SECRETARY'S REPORT:**

Area B Assembly

Samford

Hello all,

Welcome to the Area B Assembly here in Samford. I would like to thank you all for attending and a very big welcome to those from remote areas that are joining us via conference call.

It is with mixed emotions that I would like to say Thank You and Farewell to our Outgoing Area B Delegate Chris B and I am sure I am not alone when I say that you have done an amazing job and have set the bar high. Goodwill and prayers for you and yours in your future endeavours.

Incoming: Please email District or GSR Reports to [qldareab.secretary@gmail.com](mailto:qldareab.secretary@gmail.com)  
Please email me your reports so that I may include them in the minutes.

I would like to ask that during the meeting that we make it clear what motions are put forward and allow time for this to be relayed to myself so I may record it properly. I do not do shorthand and sometimes things get lost when we move on too quickly or continue to chatter during motions and responses before, they can be relayed clearly and precisely.

I would also like to suggest that if your district is unable to be represented on the day, a report be sent outlining what the groups in your district are doing in the way of carrying the message to the still suffering alcoholic.

Are there any concerns or needs that your district needs support with?

This is so that we the area can support you.

Please tell us how we may help you, help yourselves.

Thank you  
Yours In Service

Melissa C

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[qldareab.secretary@gmail.com](mailto:qldareab.secretary@gmail.com)

**Moved:** Richard

**Seconded:** Josh

**Carried:** Unanimous

**Business Arising:** None

**REGISTRA REPORT:** Read By Diane C

### **AREA B REGISTRAR REPORT**

**NOVEMBER 2019**

Hello everyone, my name is Jennie and I am an alcoholic.

There has been some confusion about my email address. The correct address is [areabqldregistrar@gmail.com](mailto:areabqldregistrar@gmail.com) I apologise for the mix up.

I have completed the lists for Sunshine Coast and Brisbane North, and I am currently working on Bundaberg (District 5)

I would like to encourage all groups to register by filling out the Group registration form. This is to ensure that you are covered by insurance as well as making your meeting details available to your district and area.

It came to my attention, at the last Assembly, that some groups around Rockhampton keep changing which area they belong to. From my understanding there is a process that groups must go through before they can change areas. This is outlined in the Australian AA Service Manual section 5. If any group needs a copy of these guidelines or the registration form, let me know and I'll send it to you.

I would also like to suggest that all groups set up a group email address. As GSR's come and go, it would be helpful to have the one email to send correspondence to.

A huge thankyou to Dianne for finding the Registration form and all the other websites I'll need to complete the database.

And another huge thankyou to Chris B for explaining the Area B borders.

Thank you for the opportunity to do service

YIL

Jennie. H

**Moved:** Cliff

**Seconded:** Jim

**Carried:** Unanimous

**Business Arising:** None

## **CSO AREA LIAISON OFFICER'S REPORT:**

### **CSO LIASION REPORT**

The money has been raised for the sail at the C.S.O. So, a very big thank you to all the groups in Area B that were able to contribute. When the Council came around to do an inspection before the sail was installed, they noticed some repairs are needed for the building, so that is going to be fixed first before the sail is going to go in. but is council's responsibility to look after.

The 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition position on the steering committee is vacant so if anyone knows of anybody who is willing to do it

Getting a few Police referrals though the helpline, averaging 1 person a day. Many of these people have attended AA but some are no interested. About 55 people at the moment are helping out on the Helpline. There is also a new treasurer John L.

**Moved:** Ian

**Seconded:** Peter

**Carried:** Unanimous

**Business Arising:** N/A

## **PI REPORT:**

**What is was.....**

A two-day forum with local and international speakers. Held in the community centre at Chatswood on the northern outskirts of Sydney.

It was an opportunity for area representatives to provide an update on activity and ideas from their respective areas.

There were also a number of "professional" speakers who addressed specific topics and took questions from the floor; Dr Jenny, a female GP from the northern beaches, Dr Faiz, a neuro biologist and Kenny G, a psychologist.

At the end of the conference a USB was available for purchase (\$15) that provided a range of content, including word docs, PowerPoint presentations and audio files.

The main objective of the conference was to help keep PI active and alive and introduce or share ideas from other parts of the AA network. A key element of the discussion related to the modernisation of AA information and approach, social media and digitalisation.

PI includes a number of topic areas:

- Information Packs
- The help line
- Big Book
- Stories from members
- Making tea at home groups
- Talking to other members

Actions all help us to stay united and support the twelve traditions and concepts.

- Conference approved literature helps AA – ideas for posters, videos and flyers can all be downloaded and shared.
- The general service conference also helps delegates with content and support.
- PI is helped because members are asked to view topics which are then given to delegates and taken to conference for review/change and approval.
- One member might have an idea which can be formally accepted and implemented as part of the fellowship toolkit – democracy in action.



Key message was that to be of use to the public, we need to be knowledgeable and well informed about the workings of AA and the approved literature that is available.

**We must keep trying to improve – “good is often the enemy of best”**

***To keep AA, we must give it away – public information.***

Let it begin with:

- Relationships in AA
- Counsellors/Social workers
- Large companies
- Doctors/medical professionals
- Police/Clergy
- Aged care facilities
- Schools

*Persistence in passing on the message* – it doesn't matter if we are a member, a trustee on the service board – remember the 5<sup>th</sup> tradition. Every group has one primary purpose - to carry the message to the alcoholic that still suffers.

Remote communities' funds national and local coordinators to do PI work and take the message to the community. This may be the only Big Book content they see. Local. We must also encourage professionals in remote communities to come to interact with us as we travel through these communities and set up teas and lunches (this was the format of the recent tag-a-long earlier this year).

Meeting the professionals in Longreach and Murgon was an opportunity to distribute Big Books – some remote members drove 120 KM to attend these meetings – how far would you go ? Some of these communities do not have any access to internet and some people may not be good at reading and writing – campfires and face to face meetings can carry the message.

#### **How can we help ?**

- Raise funds – encourage businesses or large companies to donate financial aid
- Have professional lunches
- Take literature packs to places that don't have any
- Participate in Skype meetings
- Contact local radio stations and the local police
- The police and courts are a valuable and effective way to pass on the message.

#### **Aged Care Facilities**

- Alcohol is a real risk for older people
- Provide literature to the facilities, ensuring that it is suitable for them
- Set up visits and talk with local care associations
- Personal one on one discussions with staff can also help
- Find out about the Council of ageing
- You can take older people in aged care to meetings
- Even people in palliative care may benefit from the message

#### **Other areas which may benefit from PI**

- Armed forces
- Deaf communities
- Be careful to speak knowledgeably
- First impressions are very important
- Always be aware of the audience – do not speak in a dogmatic way.

*We can always use the “preamble” to give the audience an idea of the traditions*

### **AA internet Safety**

- Don't compromise your anonymity
- Any event or item on Facebook can create a risk
- Don't give out your contact details prematurely
- If anyone asks for money – it's a SCAM
- If you are slightly uncertain....don't click anything

### **Service**

- Community Markets – have an AA stand – hand out literature
- Doctors conventions – look for large gatherings
- Colleges and universities – look for ways to present information

### **CSO**

- National Help Line & 24 hrs roster

### **Other**

- Billboards in shopping centres – can be very expensive
- National and area PI conventions

### **Digital Communications**

- Innovations
- AA Great Britain
- New website

Great Britain seems to be taking a very progressive approach to technology and modernisation. For example, they have a system that can find a meeting anywhere in Europe, and many other interesting ideas that bring AA into the foreground. The AA Australia IT team are trying to adopt many of these initiatives

Thank you for allowing me to be of service. I have the USB if anyone would like to listen to the whole content of the weekend.

**Clare**

***PI – there is no substitute for human contact***

**Moved:** Jodi

**Seconded:** Josh

**Carried:** Unanimous

**Business Arising:** N/A

**CAPRICORNIA CORECTIONAL FACILITY COORDINATOR REPORT: Laurie A.** Read by Richard

Hi Richard

As requested, this is a short explanation of how meetings of AA and NA at Capricornia. I hope this will provide a bit of light on this area for your meeting. Please make it clear to your Area that

Rockhampton/Yeppoon AA do not ignore our involvement at the local prison, our biggest challenge

is having enough willing members to commit when the group members are low. The other issue always around the prisons decision and invitation to participate.

Earlier this year AA/NA members were conducting meetings at Capricorn Correctional Centre. The meetings were set up as NA however there was always solid AA participation. These meetings evolved so that at the residential section of the prison, the prisoners were running the meeting and members came from outside to support and participate. At that time meetings were also held at the farm section of the centre. However, once a long-term construction phase began, the prison authorities cut the meetings in the secure sections allowing the residential and farm meetings to continue. But after a few months these were ceased as well. The prison made this decision based on security risk due to the construction.

In the last month or so we have had an inquiry from the Indigenous Officer at the centre as to when we are going to commence meetings again, but it is this officer's manager that has to provide permission. Therefore, we are waiting to be invited again and will continue to monitor the progress.

Thank you for your inquiry about prison involvement in the CQ region. I hope this is helpful and happy for you to pass on my contact details to anyone who has questions.

**Moved:** Richard  
Unanimous

**Seconded:** Jim

**Carried:**

**Business Arising: N/A**

**WOODFORD CORECTIONAL FACILITY COORDINATOR REPORT:** Read by Richard B

**Woodford Prison Report November 2019**

**Sunshine Coast AA group members visit Woodford Correctional Centre every Friday excluding public holidays.**

**A North Brisbane member and a Sunshine Coast member visit Residential once a month on Saturdays.**

**We have 3 meetings at the Centre on Friday morning (Residential and Secure 1 & 2).**

**Meetings have 2 to 8 attendees on a regular basis and meetings last 1.5 to 2.5 hours.**

**Most attendees are interested in and participate at the meetings by sharing and asking questions regarding AA.**

**Pathfinders, pamphlets and pocket Big Books are available to all inmates who attend meetings. After attending 6 meetings a certificate is issued.**

The Roster for Friday has 11 members, Saturday 2 members. Welcome to the team, 1 new recently inducted member; Allan R. There are a further 2 possible recruits.

We request \$400.00 for replacement pamphlets and books.

Thank you to the editor of the Pathfinder for your donation of magazines.

Inmates have requested the steps and traditions books. We propose to put these in both libraries.

I request that my report be accepted.

Yours in service

Richard B

AA Woodford Coordinator

**Moved:** Josh

**Seconded:** Peter

**Carried:** Unanimous

**Business Arising:** None

**MARYBOROUGH CORRECTIONAL CENTRE COORDINATOR REPORT:**

Hi, my name is Jim and I am an alcoholic, and the Maryborough Correctional Centre Coordinator.

The MCC is doing well with 2 meetings on a Wednesday for protection and residential. I tried a third meeting with mainstream, but the staff found it hard to do because of the movement involved. I am getting between 9-16 in the morning with protection and 3-5 in the afternoon from residential.

I would like to place an order for 20 little big books as I still have a good quality of literature left.

Thank you for the host committee for putting on the weekend.

Yours In Service

Jim Sweeney

MCC Coordinator

**Moved:** Richard

**Seconded:** Josh

**Carried:** Unanimous

**Business Arising:**

**REMOTE COMMUNITIES CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT:** Position Vacant No report

**Bundaberg Wide/Bay District 5:** NO DCM REPORT

**Gladstone District 8:** NO DCM REPORT

## **Sunshine Coast District 9:**

### Sunshine Coast District 9 Report

November 2016

Hi, I'm Jodi and I'm an alcoholic. Firstly, I would like to thank the North Brisbane District for hosting yet another Area Assembly.

District 9 Groups appear to be running well. PI is going very well with a lot of interest directed at Hospitals & Institutions and other local matters.

We recently held a Topics Forum at Sippy Downs. Sadly, the numbers were way down, but for those who attended the meeting it was very informative. Thankfully our Area Delegate came with a plethora of information for all to discuss and produced "Cheat Sheets" which enables groups to pop their notes and yes/no answers per topic to hand back to the her before the Conference. I found this such a wonderful efficient way to encourage and inform members as the Topics can be sometimes quite overwhelming for some members. But when nitted out and the relevant information is put forward, watching members reach understandings is really something to be seen.

District 9 has agreed to host the Area Assembly set for May 2020. The date and location will be forthcoming at the first opportunity.

District 9 has a new Fellowship Weekend Chairperson and will be hosting a fellowship weekend. The location has been booked and fundraising will now begin for May 28<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021. The weekend was going to be in 2020, but the committee felt that it wouldn't have given them enough time to fundraise and also didn't want to take anything away from the Toowoomba National Convention in 2020. Flyers will be forwarded very soon.

A flyer is being circulated titled "Friends of Bill". A member has kindly organized a minimum of 500 bunks on the P&O Explorer sailing from Brisbane to Airlie Beach on February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Tickets are now available for a deposit of \$150 and the balance not being due until November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020. Brian and Di F are the contacts. The bookings are coming in thick and fast. P&O have made available two of their auditoriums available for meetings. Will be a wonderful thing to be a part of. I bid everyone a safe journey home and hope to see you all at the next Assembly.

Yours In Service

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_ Jodi

Henderson

DCM – District 9

**Moved:** Jodi H

**Seconded:** Josh L

**Carried:** Unanimous

**Business Arising:** None



**Far Western District:**

**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS**  
**Far Western District**  
**Area "B"**

**PO Box 66 Morven Q 4468 Telephone 0436 464 633**

***District Report***  
***Sandford Area "B" Assembly***  
***2<sup>nd</sup> November 2019***

*G'day everybody my name is Ron & I am an alcoholic.*

*Our thanks to the North Brisbane District for providing this venue for your assembly and we hope that the weekend is a great success we also would like to thank the committee for inviting us to join in via the phone hook-up.*

*Far Western District is struggling at present with one active group & one lone member in Wallumbilla. We still host the website ([outback-aa-au.org/au](http://outback-aa-au.org/au)) and are very grateful to the groups that have submitted their events to us for posting. Our phone line has undergone a change and is now a mobile number (0436 464 633) it mainly gets calls when the tag is coming up however it rang just recently and resulted in a new member in Miles who kooks up with the Helensvale meeting on Tuesday.*

*Morven Group still meets on Sunday morning at 10.00am and has 2 regular members attending. We have received visitors on a few occasions this year one who is from Sydney and has attended our meeting twice this year. We also participate in the 50-30-10-10 share plan and contribute to the remote community's fund as funds are available. Our group covers Steps-Traditions-Concepts-Big Book and other topics. We also travel to Charleville on a fortnightly basis for extra fellowship. We were also able to travel to Toowoomba this year to join in their rally and fellowship and catch up with some who were there on my entry into this sober life. Unfortunately some have gone to the big meeting above, but they died sober. We also were able to meet and enjoy new friendships and hope to catch up with them in 2020 at the National Convention in Toowoomba at the Downlands College.*

*This year will be the 25<sup>th</sup> Morven rally which will bring together people from Victoria and NSW and Qld, it is always good to share with them as they bring a breath of fresh air to the community. It is also the starting of the Tag-a-long.*

*Lastly but not least we would like to thank this committee for the support you have shown at this assembly we will always be grateful.*

*Yours in service*  
*Ron James FWD*

**Moved:** Ian

**Seconded:** Josh

**Carried:** Unanimous

**Business Arising:** None

**North Brisbane District:**

**BRISBANE NORTH DISTRICT REPORT FOR NOV AREA ASSEMBLY**

Hi My name is Bruce and I'm an alcoholic

Brisbane North District would like to welcomes the Area assembly and its committee to this years Samford weekend, we aimed to promote fellowship and recovery and just have a good time

Brisbane North district has had a good year of serving the still sick and suffering alcoholic with its PI and Skype programmes, Literature is still being distributed and funded by the groups collection tins, The Skype meetings continue every night of the week, plus Sunday mornings,

This year the District has purchased a EFTPOS card reader for those who wish to take advantage of not carrying to much cash on themselves.

Brisbane North district meets monthly, on the first Monday of the month at 7.30pm at the Clontarf Baptist Church. All members and observers are welcome.

North Brisbane district would like to Thank our outgoing Area B Delegate Chris B for the valued service she has offered during her term as the Area Delegate. We wish her well on her next venture.

We hope that everyone has a wonderful weekend and return next year.

YIS, Bruce

**Moved:** Clare

**Seconded:** Jim

**Carried:** Unanimous

**Business Arising:** None

**MARYBOROUGH WEDNESDAY NIGHT GROUP REPORT:**

My name is Jim and an alcoholic.

Our meeting now has 3 active members with 6-8 attending the meeting.

Thank you for the host committee for putting on the weekend.

Yours in Service

Jim Sweeney GSR

**Moved:** Ian

**Seconded:** Cass

**Carried:** Unanimous

**Business Arising:** None

## **MARYBOROUGH BIG BOOK STUDY GROUP REPORT:**

MARYBOROUGH BIG BOOK STUDY GROUP Saturday 10am Meeting Powerhouse Building, cnr. Kent & Tooley Streets, Maryborough GROUP REPORT to be read at the Area B Assembly in Samford on 2/11/2019

Hi, my name is Cheryl and I am an alcoholic, recently elected GSR of our Group.

Our group now only has one meeting on a Saturday as the Sunday meetings dwindled down to 2-3 people per week and it became very hard for the same people who did both Saturday and Sunday. Our group still remains small (4) but we feel comfortable with each other and support each other. The meetings are very varied in size from 9 - 25 people and we welcome all who come to share their experience, strength and hope with us.

We also still maintain the AA Helpline, along with Hervey Bay group members. Recently we have undertaken to update our PI data and in conjunction with the Friday Al-Anon group are starting to redistribute our availability to the wider community.

Taking over from Monika who has been the acting GSR as well as treasurer for far longer than we had hoped is a mammoth task. She has an amazing capacity for organisation and detail, and I am awed by her energy and abilities. I have never yet met a stupid alky and I still haven't. She is wonderful, inside and out. We adhere to the 60/30/10 plan and the Remote Communities Fund and of course financially support the Helpline Phone.

Regular group conscience meetings help us to stay true with the AA Traditions and Concepts as guidelines for our group unity.

We have recently joined District 5 and hope to participate and learn more about service and become involved with more AA Groups.

Yours in service, Cheryl, GSR.

We are having our End of Year Break-Up on Saturday 30th November, at the Powerhouse, cnr. Kent & Tooley Streets, Maryborough. 10am meeting followed by refreshments. Please bring a plate to share.

**Moved:** Ian

**Seconded:** Josh

**Carried:** Unanimous

**Business Arising:** None

Tin Can Bay group report.

Our meeting has decided to forward a report to every area assembly to stay on the A.A road map. We have 4 members, unfortunately none of us is fit enough anymore to travel distance and participate in out of group activities, like the assembly. Still, we like to be informed what is going on in area and how our contribution money is spent.

We have changed our meeting to Sundays 10 am and started in August. Being so isolated we can't expect that the supporting members from Gympie or Maryborough travel at night, especially in the storm season. We also have the 2nd Sunday of each month an Al Anon meeting at the same time and venue !! Very successful so far. Al Anon is run by dedicated Al Anon members from Gympie. We are all winners now.

When it comes to P.I. work, there is not a corner untouched. Coming into Tin Can Bay one can see a huge permanent A.A sign on the right-hand side near the Cooloola Cove turn off. Almost every shop has our self-made help cards and the posters are displayed everywhere. We run a permanent ad in our local Bay Bulletin too.

We might be lucky that we have a newer doctor in town who is keen on A.A.

We have purchased new banners including the slogan banner, requested by one of our members.

When it comes to literature sale; We sold in one month the newer Grapevine booklet " Step by Step " 3 times and 2 of Emotional Sobriety. Otherwise the sale is slow, in spite

our literature table is very well stocked. On a personal note I would like to see the input of Jodi to be copied and attached to the outgoing minutes. well done , Jodi !!  
Happy 24 hours to all members at the assembly and God bless you all.  
Jutta Doherty ( acting GSR )

**Moved:** Ian

**Seconded:** Josh

**Carried:** Unanimous

**Business Arising:** Jutta's fears of the Conference Call of members not attending if Dial-In is available have been expressed to the Assembly. We the Area B Assembly acknowledge Jutta's input re: the Conference Call and respect her opinion. We also would like to clarify that this is a 12-month trial.

Jodi suggested the assembly invite Jutta to dial-In for our next conference.

Dale sustained at last assembly, however after experiencing the conference call today now supports Dial-In

Ron and Linda from Morven stated they were grateful for the Dial-In which enabled them to be included in the conference. They were able to hear clearly.

## **GENERAL BUSINESS**

**Dates for Area B Assemblies in 2020 need to set.**

<b>Date and Group/District</b>	<b>Place</b>
<b>February 22nd, Gympie SET</b>	<b>Salvation Army Hall Stumms Road Gympie</b>
<b>May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020 District 9 TO BE ADVISED</b>	<b>TO BE ADVISED</b>
<b>August 15<sup>TH</sup> Bundaberg SET</b>	<b>Uniting Church Hall, Barolin Street, Bundaberg</b>
<b>November 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Brisbane North TO BE ADVISED</b>	<b>TO BE ADVISED</b>

## **Nominations for Area B Delegate position**

**Nominee:** Cliff P Gympie Alt Delegate. Nominated by Outgoing Delegate Chris B.

**Moved:** Chris B

**Seconded:** Jodi

**Carried:** Unanimous

**Business Arising:** None

### **Nominations for Alt Delegate Position**

**Nominee:** Linda T

**Moved:** Jodi H

**Seconded:** Clare P

**Carried:** Unanimous

**Business Arising:** None

### **Nominations for Area B Conference call Coordinator position**

**Nominee:** Bruce Mc, DCM Brisbane North.

**Moved:** Cliff P

**Seconded:** Bruce

**Carried:** Unanimous

**Business Arising:** None

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## **AREA B ASSEMBLY CONFERENCE CALL**

As of our next Area B Assembly on November 2<sup>nd</sup> we will be starting our trail run on a Conference Call for those people in far reaching areas to have the ability to participate.

This enables people to access this feature via phone. If you are on a Pre-Paid mobile or Landline, please check with your service provider prior to dialling into this service as to not end up with excess charges.

For any information please contact Cliff P: 0403 416 854 or Bruce Mc: 0411121554

**DIAL-IN: (03) 9028 0272**

**ACCESS CODE: 366 593**

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### **Group Contributions:** Cliff P Alt Delegate

Cliff has put together a package of AA literature that can be distributed to all groups, bringing awareness to the need for groups once they have paid their own hall hire and running costs to send their 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition collections to the appropriate offices that rely solely on donations to operate and supply AA members Insurance and Literature to enable in the pursuit in Carrying The Message to those that still suffer etc...

Most groups would already have some if not all this literature and would not be required to purchase the package. Each group is encouraged to read this literature and to make its members aware also. The package has been estimated to cost including postage approximately \$3.50 - \$3.60.

The package would include the following:

- "Self-Support" yellow card
- "Group Contribution Plans" pamphlet
- "What your AA Donations Are Used For" pamphlet
- "The Seventh Tradition" printout
- "It Takes A Few" card



- “Self-Support” pamphlet
- “The Australian AA Group Handbook”

GSO, CSO, AREA DISTRICT AND REMOTE COMMUNITIES do an amazing job behind the scenes and appreciate your financial consideration.

**Moved:** Cliff P

**Seconded:** Jodi

**Carried:** Unanimous

**Business Arising:** Topic: 7th Tradition and Contributions to be added to the Agenda for the next Assembly to be held in Gympie in February 2020.

**Australia as a cashless society:** Chris B Area B Delegate

Moved to Agenda for next assembly in Gympie February 2020

**QUESTIONS, REQUESTS AND MOTIONS:**

Therese: Question on the Topics for Conference. Re: Anonymity at press, radio and media.  
Is breaking your anonymity on Facebook breaking the anonymity of those that are in your Facebook friends list?

Response: This topic has already been written on

Dale: The Giant Concepts Banner Set that were made for Conference

How many sets were made?

Response: 2 Sets of which they can be booked for an event, However booking needs to be well in advance as they are popular

Jodi requested the England PI Forum Report be copied to USB sticks.

Clare Area B PI: to seek permission to use information and distribute it and to report on this at next assembly.

Josh moved a motion that the Area B purchase Four USB Sticks of the Forum

**Moved:** Josh

**Seconded:** Cass

**Carried:** Unanimous

**Business Arising:** To be actioned upon consent from author

Jodi requested a motion that Area B donate \$500 to support the Remote Communities

**Moved:** Dale

**Seconded:** Clare

**Carried:** Unanimous

**Business Arising:** Treasurer to disperse.

Peter requested a motion to pay for 20 Little Big Books for Maryborough Correctional Centre.

**Moved:** Richard

**Seconded:** Ian

**Carried:** Unanimous

**Business Arising:** Treasurer to disperse.

Richard requested a motion for \$400 for literature being for Woodford Correctional Centre.

**Moved:** Therese

**Seconded:** Melissa

**Carried:** Unanimous

**Business Arising:** Treasurer to disperse.

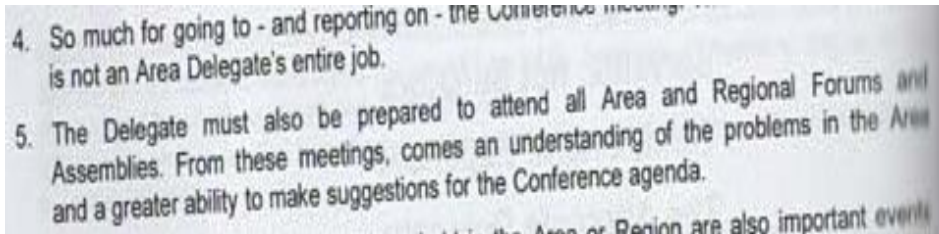
A donation of \$300 which was agreed upon to be provided by Nundah Group at previous assembly was not provided. Richard to follow up on this.

Therese: Does Maryborough Correctional Centre Coordinator receive the \$80 for travel?

Response: Yes, providing he travels to attend the assembly.

Chris B: Delegates attending other forums should receive funding...

According to the Australian AA Manual Page 60.5 –



Topic to be tabled on the Agenda for next assembly held in Gympie in February 2020

**Distribution of funds:** See Treasurer Therese after the meeting.

To be noted in Treasurers report for next assembly.

No 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition was taken

**Meeting closed 3.21pm with Serenity Prayer**

**Next Assembly Gympie in February 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**Salvation Army Hall, Stumms Road Gympie**

**9AM WORKSHOP, 10AM MEETING START**



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**For future reference**

**Extract from Scouts Queensland letter:**

Scouts Queensland supporter registration is \$20 per annum. This allows supporters to camp in any Scouts facility with campsites. The usual fee of \$11 per person per night, also applies. The application to become a supporter is below or can be found onsite at Baden Powell Park.

We had been supplementing our revenues through ancillary use of the camping areas by persons in caravans and camper-trailers but that was temporarily halted when Council sought clarification of the interpretation of the zoning of the land (Boy Scout Purposes).

Council has indicated to us that that camping or caravanning is permissible so long as those persons camping have an association or connection with Boy Scout Purposes. We now intend to pursue the following scheme:

- those connected with Scouting include both Members and Supporters of Scouting;
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## **BADEN POWELL PARK**

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## GROUP REGISTRATION FORM

Group Name			
Suburb		State	AA Area
Meeting Day (tick)	Mon <input type="checkbox"/>	Tue <input type="checkbox"/>	Wed <input type="checkbox"/>
	Thur <input type="checkbox"/>	Fri <input type="checkbox"/>	Sat <input type="checkbox"/>
	Sun <input type="checkbox"/>		
Meeting Start Time			
Meeting Place (church, school etc)			
Year Group Started	No. of Members	Average Attendance	

Group Contact Details	This can be a person (eg Secretary) or a Post Office Box		
Name			
Address			
Suburb	State	Post Code	
Phone	Mobile		
Email			

## PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE

Does your group require a certificate of currency? \_\_\_\_\_ (yes/no)

For more information on the policy or to ask if your group needs a certificate, contact the General Service Office

The premiums for this insurance are expensive and the scheme is costly to administer. We suggest that groups support the General Service Office by donating 30% of their surplus funds. Many groups are already providing this level of support and do not need to contribute an additional amount. We include the pamphlet 'group donation plans' for your guidance. The percentage of surplus funds you donate ought to be decided at a group conscience meeting.

**To register in the scheme, and to receive your certificate of currency, the group's secretary needs to complete and sign the following statement. Thank you for your support.**

Our group conscience has agreed to donate \_\_\_\_\_ % of our surplus funds to the General Service Office of AA to defray the cost of public liability insurance and the other services it provides.

Signed by Group Secretary

Date

Please contact General Service Office if you do not understand any part of this form



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