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Let's go to Adelaide!

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The 2024 National Convention is gearing up to be an unforgettable 4 day experience of recovery and camaraderie! Join us at the Hilton Adelaide from Friday 29th of March to Monday the 1st of April.

The committee has ordered neat souvenirs and fun t-shirts, and just released a full program which includes a wide variety of engaging workshops, insightful topic meetings, international speakers, Al-Anon & Alateen sessions – be sure to check it out! Set to kick off with a spiritual opening ceremony, we cannot wait to host the 58th Australian National Convention.

Don't forget to get your ticket to the much anticipated Dinner Dance featuring a full buffet dinner and 7 piece band to get

you dancing like no one's watching (or everyone is watching, depending on what you prefer).

So gather your sober squad and get set for a big weekend of connection, growth and joy as we celebrate the miracle of recovery in Alcoholics Anonymous. More information and ticket sales via website: aanatcon2024.com.au

Join the Facebook group to stay up to date with announcements: **AA Adelaide National Convention 2024**. (Early bird prices end 31/12/2023 – so get your ticket now!)

“Without much ado, we accepted the principles and procedure... we are undoubtedly on the road to recovery!”

Thank you for the 2023 Contributions

GSO Income	Goal	Quarter 1 July/Aug/Sep 2023	Quarter 2 Oct/Nov/Dec 2023	Quarter 3 Jan/Feb/Mar 2024	Quarter 4 April/May/ Jun 2024
Contributions (Self Support)	\$137,908	\$124,474.36			
GSO Expenses		\$225,766.71			
Profit (Loss)		(\$101,292.36)			
Literature/ Conventions		\$93,870.59			

The General Service Board would like to thank both the groups and individuals that contributed in 2023 through 7th Tradition to the self-support of the General Service Office. Our aim is to be 100% self-supporting and whilst we did not get there in 2023 your support for our vital national services went a long way towards this. Our expenses for the Office in 2023

were \$636,634 and the contributions were \$478,446 with a shortfall of \$158,188. The goal for 2024 is \$551,634 per annum and \$10,608.34 per week. At the moment we are averaging just over \$7000.00. Our groups and individuals support A.A. is essential services because the services benefit all A. A. members and to ensure we are readily

available for the alcoholic yet to come. The General Services the Office provides include the 1300 number, National website, public information and professional awareness tools and events, Group's insurances and the underwriting of conventions.

You can contribute directly to the GSO here

<https://literature.aa.org.au/pages/donation>

Technology and Social Media Working Group

The Technology & Social Media Working Group has been working over the past year to address advisory actions and referred topics or areas of concern in this realm. As the working group has grown and evolved, its membership has retained some AA original web implementers and welcomed experienced and very qualified individuals who have brought a professional and comprehensive overview to discussions and actions. Work is underway to redevelop and improve the AA websites, (the "brand style" and design attributes will be reproducible across all AA media and literature materials). To bring together the various pages and disparate technologies and

platforms will address all areas of concern and improvement, creating a system that will improve the look and feel of the sites, simplify and reorganise the websites' content and that ultimately increases the effectiveness and usability for all is critical. It is expected that design phase will occur this year and build and implementation to be completed by March 2024. Investigations and trials in tandem with the Finance Working Group to report on available technologies and systems for groups to receive electronic 7th tradition contributions are in full swing.

National Technology Service Team

Are you a bit of an IT wonk? You can now utilise your skills to help AA transform into the digital age and play an important role in how AA carries the message ,

The National Technology Service team is tasked with taking a critical look at AA's online presence and seeing what new ways we can present ourselves and save lives. Current projects include a Chat Now function and redeveloping our webpages.

You can join by contacting chris@aa.org.au

Conference Advisory Actions 2023

Gender- neutral 12 Step banners for meetings

Advisory Action #004/2023

Conference resolved for the Board to produce a model answer to the question around inclusive based language be placed on the members website and updated regularly with input from World Service Delegates.

Standardised interim financial reporting

Advisory Action #007/2023

That the General Service Conference (GSC) consider the suggestion that the General Service Board (GSB) present standardised interim financial reporting to Regional Trustees at Board meetings (January July and November) that can then be shared with Area Delegates and in turn General Service Representatives (GSR's).

Raise the profile of the 12 Concepts

Advisory Action #009/2023

Conference recommends that a Working Group be formed to explore options to promote the 12 Concepts, without changing existing literature.

Video/audio summary/ podcast of conference highlights

Advisory Action #010/2023

Conference resolved the topic be rejected and that an

audio version of the conference report be made available on the members website as a companion to the written version.

Rewrite/update the Australian Service Manual

Advisory Action #011/2023

Conference resolved for a rewrite and update of the Australian Service Manual be undertaken by a Working Group.

Reformatting GSO Paperwork

Advisory Action #013/2023

Conferenced resolved to accept the topic noting that there is a current and ongoing process for document review and improvement.

Need for secular AA leaflet

Advisory Action #015/2023

Conference resolved that the GSB create a modern leaflet covering the inclusion of people of secular beliefs in the AA fellowship.

Gold Coast Bid to Host NatCon 2026

Advisory Action #017/2023

Conference resolved to accept the bid for National Convention 2026 to be hosted on the Gold Coast by Area C, North-Eastern Region.

Using materials like the Cochrane Report

Advisory Action #018/2023

Conference resolved that the questions in the topic be assigned to a GSB Working Group for thoughtful response.

Electronic 7th Tradition

Advisory Action #022/2023 and #023/2017

Conference resolved to accept this Topic with a report from the Finance Working Group being presented at Conference based on Advisory Action #023/2017 which resolved that the GSB be requested to research cashless options available and produce an information sheet for groups that wish to become cashless for Conference 2018.

A report was presented to Conference with details out how to open a bank account and will be uploaded to the member website. Point of Sale systems do not work with the AA structure as they require an ABN. The Social Media and Technology Committee is in the process of looking at App based online transaction services as an option for Groups. The Committee will keep the Groups informed.

Volunteers for Phone Line

Advisory Action #023/2023

Conference resolved to explore options for an

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expanded model of the 24-hour phone help line to ensure all calls made to the National AA help line get answered. This may include national volunteers added to existing rosters, CSO's or AA phone service in each state or region be the default answer line for unanswered calls.

New PI Poster

Advisory Action #024/2023

Conference resolved for the new PI/CPC poster be made available for PI/CPC use.

Dyslexic Font for Big Book

Advisory Action #029/2023

Conference resolved to refer the topic of having copies of Alcoholics Anonymous (Big Book) printed for dyslexic people to the Board to seek expert advice to determine the best solution.

Change to Service Manual

Advisory Action #030/2023

Conference resolved to accept the change to the Service Manual with the following changes. There are only two situations in which the Alternate Delegate can be seated at Conference.

If there is an elected Delegate, who for some reason, is unable to attend Conference and, When the Delegate position is vacant. An Alternate Delegate

may, after attending one conference in place of a Delegate, be elected to serve a full three-year term.

One may only attend Conference once in the capacity of Alternate Delegate.

GUIDELINE # 39 Virtual Area Guideline

Advisory Action #031/2023

Conference resolved to accept that the virtual area guideline GL #39 be replaced with the guideline as outlined in the topic to clarify the guideline's intention that group GSRs reside in Australia.

Voted On But Not Advisory Actions

Members who do not identify as human

Conference resolved to reject this topic. AA Australia does not have the capacity to influence changes to literature copyrighted by AAWS or The Grapevine. However, the committee does support inclusivity of all alcoholics when considering changes to Australian copyrighted literature.

Acknowledgement of Country Statement at AA Meetings

Conference rejected this topic, while further action is required to explore ways in which AA can more effectively carry the

message to First Nations people, this is unrelated to use of an Acknowledgment of Country statement at groups, conventions, committees, or sub committees, where group autonomy applies.

'Welcome to Country' at National Conventions

Conference rejected this topic, inclusion of a Welcome to Country or use of acknowledgement of country at conventions is up to each Host Planning Committee. Noting that the Host Planning Committee is accountable to but not directed by the General Service Board.

Shorten Class A Trustee Terms

Conference resolved to reject this topic.

Put Cochrane Report in Professionals pack

Conference rejected the topic that an adoption of the Cochrane report be put into AA Literature packs as whilst the report may be helpful in recommending AA, official use implies endorsement and affiliation, referring to Tradition 6.

Reduce Delegates Term to 2 Years

Conference rejected this topic, consensus of current and previous delegates seems to be that 3 years is the appropriate term of service taking into consideration the learning

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curve of the role.

Furthermore, under the new committee structure 3rd year delegates sit on the Conference Steering Committee, are eligible to chair a conference committee and even eligible to be chair of conference itself.

One Group, One Vote

This topic was rejected as the issue is covered adequately on page 15 of the AA Group Handbook.

Resume Printing Service Manual and Guidelines

Conference rejected this topic.

Floor Actions

The Chat Now Committee requests that a QR code with a direct link to the Chat be added to all new AA PI Posters.

Advisory Action #32/2023

Conference resolved that a QR code is needed for Chat and that this Floor Action be sent to the Social Media and Technology Committee to make sure the QR code works for both the Chat Now and website. GSO would get the QR code printed as a sticker to put on existing posters and then ensure that it is added to new posters when reprinting.

To be added to the National Convention Guideline (GL-15) that only conference approved literature be displayed on tables at National Conventions.

Advisory Action #33/2023

Conference resolved for that a GSB Working Group to look at the National Convention Guidelines to provide clearer direction for Conventions.

An appeal from the Area A, Eastern Region Archivist

Hello friends, my name is Robyn M, I'm an alcoholic, gratefully serving as Archivist for Area A (NSW).

Late in 1949, a hopeless drunk named Gordon travelled from his home town of Wauchope to Sydney in the hope of finding an answer to his problem. He found that answer and sober, travelled back home with a Big Book, where he spent 9 months chasing drunks around town before he caught his first, then another and another. Thus, the first AA group in northern NSW was formed in Wauchope - there are now more than one hundred groups across Northern NSW.

Area A was formed in 1976, when the Australian Service Structure was formed and members from Area A were integral to that work. The Wauchope Group was also the first in Australia to contribute funds to what was then known as The Alcoholic Foundation.

Next year will be the 75th anniversary of the founding of that group and Area A is going to produce a booklet to celebrate.

Early next year I will be travelling around NSW for a week in the hope of meeting and interviewing/recording older sober members who want to contribute to the booklet and to the greater Area A Archives Project.

I welcome any members who have memories, information, letters, fliers, photos or literature etc to contribute to this project to contact me at areaaarchives@myyahoo.com

Thanks for your Service.

My first General Service Conference as an Area Delegate

Hi, my name is Ric and I'm an alcoholic, over my illustrious career in Alcoholics Anonymous I've had the privilege of serving in many positions. All group positions numerous times, GSR, DCM, CSO Rep, Area Liaison and Chairman of the Steering Committee. All these positions have given me a wealth of satisfaction, but I've always felt like I'm trying to encourage (Push) members into doing service offering them a great opportunity to get top shelf sobriety, just as this was done for me.

At the Northeast Qld. Area B Assembly held in November 2022 at the Sunshine Coast I stood for the position of Delegate against a worthy opponent whom I've known and loved for over 25

years, shared many meals and laughter with Her and Her husband. To my surprise I was voted in for the position of Delegate.

Over the past 12 Months I've endeavoured to work on restoring districts in Area B, again trying to get members interested in achieving this.

So, coming to the end of my first year as Delegate I'm on my way to this thing they call Conference? So here I go armed with my Area's answers for the Topics, I've written my report, spent hours reading other reports. I'm ready!!!! No I'm not, didn't expect this sitting down with 32 likeminded people all passionate about the fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous all striving for the same outcome, all looking for the solution. All my years of

service finally meant something, this is the voice of the Groups, this has filled my heart with gratitude, being surrounded by my peers, I sat in awe. Watching Delegates cry because their time is up, and they have to move on. I can only hope and pray that through the guidance of my God I might have the ability to have some input over my time as my Area's humble servant. My first Conference is a time I will never forget it's given me a knowledge that Alcoholics Anonymous is alive and well. It was head down bum up from go to woo. Thank you NEQAREAB for this Privilege. Thank you, conference, for making me feel part of.

Your Humble Servant.
Ric C
NER Area B Delegate.

My last General Service Conference as an Area Delegate

The phrase 'this is an experience you must not miss' came to mind when I reflected on my experience of my first, and only, face to face Conference as a Delegate this year. I was fortunate to be a member of the Conference Steering Committee tasked with implementing structural changes to Conference this year. It was a very gratifying to be there to see the results in practice.

While several Areas were not represented, those present demonstrated a passionate commitment to AA in Australia. I was especially proud of new agenda items that enhanced our spiritual

decision-making process, such as the "What's on Your Mind" session - an opportunity to raise things about the decisions made the day before. It was a highlight for many to send 'Message Stick,' our collection of stories by Indigenous members, to print. Many opportunities for carrying the message will come from this.

I have moved to a regional area where a connection to AA as a whole is not present. Serving as Delegate has kept me (relatively!) sane, and connected to a primary purpose. The steering committee has commenced our hand over to the 2024

committee and I will truly miss our regular interactions.

The blank spaces on the roll call list where a Delegate's name should have been seemed like gaping chasms, as the absence of a name in those white spaces represents many members of AA who did not have a voice at Conference. This part of AA works best when members take the third legacy as seriously as the other two. Participating in 'how it works' in a whole other way adds a depth and weight to your recovery that you will not regret.

Lisa R, Outgoing Delegate P63
Southern Region Area D

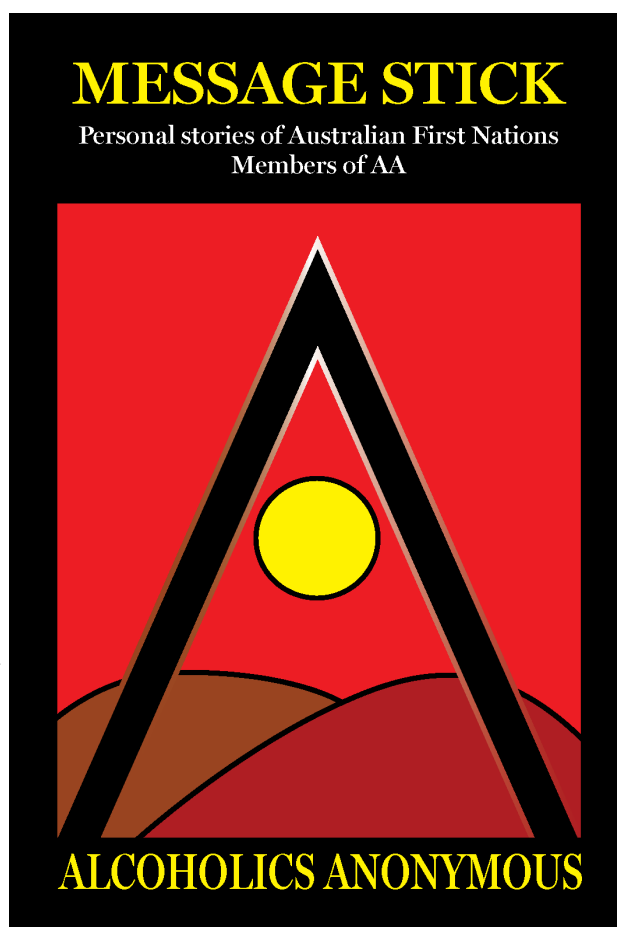
MESSAGE STICK ON THE WAY

In 2007 the pamphlet *Alcoholics Anonymous for the Indigenous Australian* was published. Six members shared their stories about how they overcame their drinking problem through AA. Their experiences shone a light on the value of resources to carry the AA message among First Nations people in Australia.

Since then, requests for another story book and more 12 step resources by and for First Nations people has been received by AA Australia.

This book in part meets these requests, and work is underway to create multimedia resources to support AA 12 step work.

The AA community is worldwide, and we already carry the AA message in a wide range of languages. We hope that this book could be translated into First Nations languages. We of AA hold meetings all over Australia. These are in person and



online and many times daily so that people with a drinking problem can find us. We visit hospitals, prisons, and rehabilitation centres regularly to share our experience, strength, and hope with each other. We have found a solution to our drinking problem and carry this message to help the newcomer find what we have found.

In this book there are stories of recovery from 15 First Nations people who are AA members. Some are now Elders, who found AA in their youth, got sober by using the 12 steps of AA in their lives, and kept coming back for their own recovery and for newcomers. These are stories of action, to be shared with people who think, 'It's not that bad', or 'I'm not an alcoholic', or 'I know I have a problem but don't know what to do'. If this is you, we believe AA could work for you too.

Setting up a bank account

Here are some useful suggestions from Area B Eastern Region about creating a bank account for your group to ensure traditions and concepts are followed and be exempt from the monthly fees.

Every AA bank account I have had the privilege of working with had at least three people as signatories and every account required two people to sign cheques to pay bills. Now many banks offer an electronic service so money can be sent out but two people from the account need to log into internet banking to approve the transaction. If this type of account cannot be used with a subscription etc then a member can pay the bill as I did for Area B ER and was reimbursed from the treasurer.

How to open a fee free bank account in Australia.

Approach your bank and ask if

they provide fee free account for not-for-profit organisations and ask their procedure for achieving this.

Contact the National Office gso@aa.org.au and ask for a "certificate of currency" for your group this is needed by the bank to confirm your group is part of the not-for-profit organisation Alcoholics Anonymous.

You will also need an AA logo to put on your minutes (google this); Have a group conscience to determine who will be signatories (suggested Treasurer, Chairperson and Secretary) don't forget to include full name.



Write up those minutes using the logo above.

Present certificate and minutes to bank and follow their directions to open an account.

Experience suggests a "Joint account" or a "two-to-sign" is best so no one person can withdraw money and to have a minimum of three signatories in case someone leaves.AA.

More and more banks are doing away with the cheque facility in favour of electronic banking. A two to sign electronic account means that two people have to log into account banking to approve the money transfer. To become a signatory on a bank account may be different between banks, and you will need to investigate your banks procedures. Last time I became a signatory I had to provide 100 points of ID and sign the banks forms.

Time to check how your meeting is listed?

There was a vast number of changes to the meetings list in the two years when Covid was at its height. A lot of restrictions and requirements were listed for many meetings. Things have changed greatly now but most meeting listings haven't.

This became clear to me when I looked up the listing for a meeting I hadn't been to for a long time. I just wanted to check the time it

started but I was disturbed to find it also said, "Attendees will need to show evidence of double vaccination"

Having been around for many years I was confident that this was an out-of-date requirement. But what if a newcomer had seen this notice. They could easily have been put off by it. Maybe they would decide never to go to AA.

What does your meeting listing say? Does it still have outdated information on it? When was the last time you checked it? Have a look and see if anything needs changing. If a change is needed, go to: <https://meetings.aa.org.au/change/>



Chat now — Live!

What started out as an idea from an AA Group became a Topic for Conference in 2021 and is now a reality. The instant chat feature - known as ChatNow – is fully operational and the response has been overwhelmingly positive. The purpose of the ChatNow function is to provide an instant response service to enquiries that come from visitors to the Australian AA website (aa.org.au) and the Australian meetings website (meetings.aa.org.au). The

service provides another way of communicating with the sick and suffering alcoholic who reaches out for help. It allows those seeking help to engage in real time with an AA member. It also provides a service opportunity for AA members from anywhere in Australia who have access to

a computer.

ChatNow launched on November 1st 2023.

Operating hours are currently 10am to 10pm (AEDT). These hours are likely to increase based on numbers and availability of chat responders. There are

weeks. The responders on the inaugural ChatNow working group are enthusiastic and have all provided valuable input to get the service up and running. Each responder chooses their own

availability using a separate rostering app that provides flexibility to choose shifts that suit their own schedules.

A QR Code (beside) is available for those wishing to inform people about the ChatNow service in any PI/CPC material or share in any reports to Groups, Districts or Areas. The code provides a link to the National AA website

where the chat widget is found in the bottom right of screen. The service is accessible using any computer, tablet or phone. For those members wanting more information about the ChatNow service, please email

chatnow.chair22@gmail.com

*Chat Live Online Now with a
Member of Alcoholics Anonymous*



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currently 30 trained responders who each do a minimum of one 2 hour shift a week, but most are doing two shifts (and a few even more).

Below is a summary of the service and some stats for those who like numbers. An incredible 1919 chats occurred in a little over three

Total Chats (Nov 1 – 24)	Average chats per day	Total time committed from responders (hours)	Chat origin	No. of trained Responders
1919	76	291	Aus 77% USA 17% Other 6%	25

Group Contributions September to November

CENTRAL REGION		CR						
Area A CR	CR/A		Coffs Harbour Steps Sisters	55.00	Area B SR	SR/B		
Brompton Beginners	54.00		Port Macquarie Oxley	60.00	Kangaroo Flat	100.00		
Daveron Park	0.30		Port Macquarie	420.00	Meryborough Sat BB	100.00		
Gawler	0.90		Total Area A:	773.00	Shepparton Fri	200.00		
Grange	30.00		Area B ER	ER/B	Wodonga Monday	50.00		
Henley Beach E S	1.50		Area B ER	200.00	Total Area B:	450.00		
Henley Beach Promises	9.00		Batemans Bay Third Legacy	119.04	Area D SR	SR/D		
Henley Beach Serenity	145.50		Canberra CSO	2,000.00	Eltham	120.00		
Hillcrest Hope	150.00		Narooma Thurs Night	50.00	Essendon	200.00		
Junction Midday	11.65		Tuggeranong Womens	30.00	Geelong Breakfast Bill and Bob	200.00		
Kapunda	66.00		Total Area B:	2,399.04	Northern Exposure	240.00		
Kilburn Speakers	161.55		Area C ER	ER/C	Ashgrove	105.00		
Mansfield Park	9.00		Cessnock Fri Living Sober	30.00	Preston Sunrise	50.00		
Nuriootpa	69.00		Hamilton SA	400.00	Preston Beginners	250.00		
Port Adelaide Friday	70.10		Lambton BBS	240.00	Seddon Steps	299.00		
Salisbury Saturday	90.90		Morpeth Women's	65.55	Surfcoast Serenity Sat 5pm	50.00		
Salisbury Friday	36.90		Total Area C:	735.55	Torquay Wed BB	400.00		
Semaphore Serenity Mon	120.00		Area D ER	ER/D	Werribee Recovery	500.00		
Semaphore Sunday	150.00		Bardwell Park	270.00	Total Area D:	2,414.00		
St Cyprians	0.90		Milton Thurs Night	375.00	Area E SR	SR/E		
Tea Tree Gully	8.10		Nowra TIAS	225.00	Devonport Sun	500.00		
Total Area A:	1,185.30		Padstow CTM	200.00	George Town	100.00		
Area B CR	CR/B		Total Area D:	1,070.00	Hobart Mon BB	104.65		
Adelaide BBS	60.00		Area E ER	ER/E	New Norfolk	50.00		
Adelaide Breakfast	109.35		Area E	800.00	Total Area E:	754.65		
Adelaide Beginners	96.00		Baulkham Hills Wed	120.00	Area F SR	SR/F		
Adelaide Tuesday Lunch	94.05		Curl Curl Bfast	787.81	Armadale	90.00		
Aldinga	59.90		Manly Sat 5 pm	111.07	Belmont Speakers	210.00		
Aldgate	1.50		Total Area E:	1,818.88	Belmont Unity Recovery	74.00		
Atheists and Free Thinkers	22.50		Area F ER	ER/F	Caulfield Sober Saturday	181.92		
As Bill Sees It Zoom	16.50		Bathurst Tues	200.00	Chelsea Sat	60.00		
Bedford Park (Clovelly)	111.00		Bathurst Sun Hospital	35.00	Croydon Tues	100.00		
Belair (Blackwood)	30.00		Corowa	50.00	Hampton Sunrise	90.00		
Berri S&T	30.00		Orange Tues Night	300.00	Melbourne Rise and Shine	140.00		
Blackwood	11.10		Redlands BB	190.00	Melbourne On Awakening	396.50		
Brighton By the Book Speakers	1.50		Total Area F:	775.00	Prahran Eastern Twilight	112.00		
Brighton Beginners	49.50		Area G ER	ER/G	Steps in St Kilda	146.97		
Christies Beach Women's	60.00		Balmain Thurs pm	146.75	Melbourne Mens Group	485.59		
Christies Serenity	58.10		Camperdown Thurs	384.00	South Yarra P N P	70.00		
Christies Beach BBS	60.00		The Into Action Group Waverley	375.00	Toorak Wed Happy Destiny	100.00		
Eastwood Recovery	142.55		Leichhardt Saturday	285.00	Traralgon Fri	204.83		
Eastwood Women's Sunday	63.00		Paddington Fri Night Speakers	150.00	Yarra Valley	500.00		
Eastwood Monday	45.00		Rocks Breakfast	700.00	Total Area F:	2,961.81		
Eastwood Weeekdays	114.05		Surry Hills	15.00	Total Southern Region:	6,880.46		
			Vaucluse Recovery Tues pm	180.00	NORTH EASTERN REGION			
Flinders Street Circle of Serenity	2.70		Wesley Groups	200.00	Area A NER	NER/F		
Flinders St Frkiday	24.00		Whisky in my Milk	196.93	Atherton	90.00		
Flinders St Tuesday	4.50		Total Area G:	2,632.68	Ayr/Burdekin Recovery	48.70		
Flinders St Wednesday	1.20		Area H ER	ER/H	Blackbutt	30.00		
Glenelg	53.80		Blaxland PPG	100.00	Via Cairns CSO	726.00		
Glen Osmond R2R	91.80		Bright Spot Womens CFCU	400.00	Cairns District	2,000.00		
Magill Mon	46.50		Katoomba ABSI Sun	30.00	Kirwan Easy Does It	40.00		
Malvern	113.95		Kings Langley Weds BBS 4D	400.00	Kuranda	80.00		
Mt Barker Sober on Sat	22.50		Lawson Sat	150.00	Townsville	100.00		
Norwood	67.80		Toongabbie Wed Arch to Freedom	27.65	Townsville West End	92.95		
Payneham	31.50		Total Area H:	1,107.65	Total Area A:	3,207.65		
Payneham Womens	36.00		Area I ER	ER/I	Area B NER	NER/B		
Payneham Primary Purpose	120.95		Kincumber	50.00	Aspley DR Sat am	90.00		
Renmark Sunday	56.05		Saratoga Fri Night	100.00	Beerwah Group	277.00		
Seaford	65.10		Terrigal Sunday	150.00	Bray Park BBS	85.18		
Spiritual/Speaker	64.50		Umina Sat LS	40.00	Bribie Island Recovery	118.00		
Strathalbyn Sunday	111.00		Wyong Steps	90.00	Bridgeman Downs Weds	282.00		
Sunday Women's	14.25		Total Area I:	430.00	Brisbane CSO	475.07		
Wakefield Street Thursday	3.00		Total Eastern Region:	11,741.80	Buderim	90.00		
Young Peoples	50.40		SOUTHERN REGION		Bundaberg Fri Night BBS	150.00		
Total Area B:	2,217.10		Area A SR	SR/A	Caloundra BB Sat	110.00		
Total Central Region:	3,402.40		Warnambool Central Fri	300.00	Caloundra Mon ABSI	127.33		
EASTERN REGION	ER		Total Area A:	300.00	Caloundra Bulcock Earlybirds	375.00		
Area A ER	ER/A				Coolom	274.10		
Armidale Free To Be	200.00				Enoggera BBS Mon am	60.00		
Bangalow	38.00				Fortitude Valley Mens	145.00		

Group Contributions September to November

Glenwood	60.00	Solutions Steps	45.00
Margate Beginners	40.00	Subiaco Steps	60.00
Noosa DR Wed	156.00	Warwick	60.00
Nundah	96.90	Total Area A:	2,332.60
Paddington Sun	40.00	Area B WR	WR/B
Redcliffe LS	45.00	Armadale	90.00
Redcliffe Mon	30.00	Beaconsfield Womens	100.00
Red Hill Amity	153.74	Breakfast with Bill	300.00
Rockhampton GumBi GumBi	60.00	Bridgetown Steps	45.00
Roma	300.00	Coolbellup	150.00
Sandgate Sat pm	337.20	Coolgardie	70.50
Tewantin Women's	135.00	Forrestfield ID	180.00
Toowong Womens	150.00	Fremantle Maritime	52.56
Total Area B:	4,262.52	Fremantle Mens	10.00
Area C NER	NER/C	Fremantle Sunday Beginners	45.00
Annerley Mon ES	135.00	Fremantle Tues pm	25.00
Annerley Womens	60.00	Fremantle Unity	105.00
Bayside Beginners	150.00	Gosnells	150.00
Bethania Plan B	112.51	Hamilton Hill Early Rises	265.00
Broadbeach Happy Hour	30.00	Kalamunda	48.83
Burleigh Heads Early Birds	240.00	Kalamunda A New Freedom	76.68
Burleigh Heads Early birds	240.00	Kalgoorlie Steps	91.50
Clifford Gardens	60.00	Mandurah Cooper St	90.00
Coomera BB Monday 7pm	72.16	Mandurah Sunday	104.00
Forest Lake Steps	60.00	Mandurah Serenity	55.57
Gold Coast District PI	600.00	Parmelia	69.90
Goodna	90.00	Rockingham Discussion	90.00
Greenslopes	112.00	Roleystone	126.00
Gumdale Wed ID	60.00	Spearwood ABC Steps	114.62
Hope Island Thurs S&T	450.00	White Gum Valley	75.00
Ipswich Queens Park	100.00	Willagee Recovery	100.00
Ipswich ID Recovery	90.00	Total Area B:	\$2,630.16
Ipswich SC	60.00	Total Western Region:	4,962.76
Ipswich Silkstone Serenity	132.00	NORTHERN REGION	
Ipswich Fri Beginners	30.00	Darwin Tues BB	91.24
Isle of Capri	181.80	Darwin Wed Rapid Creek	66.54
Isle of Capri Sunrise	209.70	Darwin Zoom	30.00
Kenmore Groups	150.00	Zoom In All Our Affairs	127.00
Mt Tamborine Combined	50.00	Total Northern Region:	187.78
New Farm	157.64	Unknown Deposits	UD
Oxley Station	90.00	Livinb Sober BLT	50.00
Pacific Fair Sun 5:30am	90.00	A Few Good Men	800.00
Palm Beach Sat 5:30pm Topic	22.64	Unknown Monday Night	300.00
Paradise Point	600.00	Unknown Brisbane	300.00
Paradise Point LGBT	233.84	Unknown Rainbow	30.00
Samford Tues & Thurs	190.50	Down Under Not Down Zoom	350.00
Southport Thurs LS ID am	90.00	Unknown Long Reef Tuesday	350.00
Springwood Topics	60.00	Unshakeable Foundation	366.20
Toowoomba BBS	180.00	Eastern firm	550.00
Toowoomba Beginners	150.00	Unknown Womens Recovery	21.21
Toowoomba Thurs 10am	30.00	Northern Mens	100.00
Yeronga BB Basics	30.00	Yakka Gully Zoom	400.00
Total Area C:	5,399.79	Unknown Monday	60.00
Total North Eastern Region:	12,869.96	Online Gallery	100.00
WESTERN REGION		Unknown IHP	214.00
Area A WR	WR/A	Melbourne MPB	119.68
Bassendean	300.00	SMDR	109.01
Broome	60.00	Unknown Steps and Traditions	450.00
Burns Beach	90.00	Unknown Wednesday	65.00
Ellenbrook Steps	150.00	Unknown Big Book Study	164.30
Heathridge Group SC	180.00	CUG	500.00
Joondanna	75.00	GCIEB	2,056.13
Merriwa Wed Beginners	60.00	Sober Voices	24.00
Midland Steps	150.00	Total Unknown Deposits:	7,479.53
Marangaroo Friday	102.00	TOTAL ALL REGIONS:	45,192.09
Nedlands Womens	330.00	LIM - Australia Donations	
Northam	75.00	LIM Foreign Currency	
North Perth City	100.00	TOTAL LIM	
North Perth Vincent St	450.00		
Northbridge Early Openers	15.60		
Northbridge The Beacon	30.00		

Total: \$ 45,192.09

From the Australian General Service Conference of 1974:
That the Australian Service Conference on behalf of all AA members in Australia pledges that we accept responsibility for the maintenance of a General Service Office and ask the groups in Australia to provide the necessary finance to carry out this task.

National Digital Archives Working Committee

Does ink run through your veins?

We are seeking volunteer members for a newly created National Digital Archives Working Committee. The Committee will be responsible for exploring the need for Digital Archives and seeking ways to present and make use of the archives in a practical form for the fellowship. Meetings will take place via Zoom.

If you have an interest or experience in archiving and would like to be a part of the working committee please email your Expression of Interest to chris@aa.org.au

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