

## **ASC - SEPTEMBER 09**

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Steering committee

concepts Read By.

***john wrexham***

### **Apologies.**

**Andy O RCM**

**Carl Meetings list**

### **Last Months Minutes.**

**John r , group not impressed by the lack of sub committee reports**

### **Treasurers Opening Balance.**

£1,552.02

### **GSRs and Group issues.**

Louise Darwen Saturday, john Liverpool wed Oakfield, tony blackpool Monday, wendy 12 monkeys, martin Friday blackpool, matt blackpool Tuesday, phil mc manc thursday, ian sat man St lukes, pete Monday manc. John Wrexham, Gail Llandudno, peter Wednesday warrington, david Monday warrington, sarah Wednesday Carlisle, john r blackpool Sorry if I missed you, didn't get the attendance sheet returned!!!

John r,, issue with phone line not being manned, proposed we log onto uk line until new chair comes forward

### **Positions Vacant.**

Position Servant Start Date

ASC Chair

***John January 09***

ASC vice Chair

***Joanne Oct 08***

ASC Treasurer

***Ruth July 09***

Alt ASC Treasurer

***July 09***

ASC Literature

***Rob***

***Adam Nov 08***

ASC Literature Alt

***Lee***

***Nov 08***

ASC Literature runner

***Graham July 09***

ASC Secretary

**VACANT 1 YR**

ASC ALT Secretary

**VACANT 6mths**

ASC Brew person

**VACANT**

Regional Committee Member

***Andy O Dec 08***

R.C.M Alternate

**VACANT 3 YR**

CD & Tape Library

***Martin July 09***

Convention Chair 2008

***Collette***

***April 09***

Helpline Chair

***Laura September 09***

Hospitals & Institutions Chair

***Jimmy June 09***

Meetings List

***Carl jan 09***

Parents & Carers Chair

**VACANT 2 YR**

Outreach Chair

**VACANT 2 YR**

Fundraising & Entertainment chair

**VACANT 2 YR**

Post Box

***Adam m march 09***

Prison Sponsorship

***Diane July 09***

Public Information chair

***Darren***

***Sept 09***

Webservant

***Jason Sept 09***

Alt webservant

**VACANT 1 YR**

Share Review Chair

***Anthony june 09***

**Old business.**

**Area requires an adhoc committee to look at service workshops throughout the region.. 2 years clean time**

**Area requires an adhoc committee to look at the manageability of area and how best to move forward... 2 years clean time**

**Please take this to groups,,,, anyone wanting to put themselves forward should attend next area**

**PRISON SPONSORSHIP**

No report

**CD & TAPE LIBRARY.**

Martin has list and CD's ready to hire.... And has CD's to burn copies as to not lose the originals

**CONVENTION COMMITTEE REPORT 2010.**

**Convention committee Report**

**Attendance – Mike M, Bob S, Dave Mc, Christian, John S, John R, Matt W, Stevie G, Stephanie F, Nicola R, Diane P, Ruth, Gary J**

**Treasurers Report – Opening Balance 2786.59**

**Programming –** Programming has made a decision on workshops/topics – facilitated workshops on the steps (1-3) (4-5) (6-7) (8-9) (10-12)

Would it be possible for any of the steering committee from area to help facilitate these?

H/I are discussing link up with Altcourt Prison - a slot has been given for this, also requested a slot for putting on a comedy show – H/I allocated slot for this also.

Programming also to speak to Prison Sponsorship about becoming involved.

P/I, concerns raised regarding lack of contact – no feedback about the allocated slot they have been given, It was raised that P/I have no chair at the moment therefore it was suggested that UK P/I could be invited if local P/I could not do it.

**Fund Raising –** The Unity day made £349.64 after deductions for raffle and flyers. The campout was a huge success with 60 – 70 people registering on the day. A profit

of £966.81 was made over the weekend.

**Hotels and Hospitality** – Contact has been made with local Hotels / B&B's. John is to visit tourist information regarding entertainment and restaurants – information on this will be handed out over the weekend. **Web servant to be approached to enquire if it would be possible to put list of hotels on the website.**

**Merchandising** – Flyers for convention were taken to Barcelona and were a huge success.

20 t-shirts were designed and taken to the campout 9 of these were sold.

**Pre-Registration** – PO Box is now open – **PO Box 2042, Preston, PR5 9AP.** There is also an email address for registration – [conventionregistration@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:conventionregistration@yahoo.co.uk) Nicola has had no emails as of yet and no mail at PO box, Nicola is formulating a team to visit various meetings highlighting the benefits of pre-reg.

**Next meeting will be on Wednesday 16th September 6pm Ibbison Centre, Central Drive, Blackpool**

## **HOSPITALS AND INSTITUTES REPORT**

Minutes for H&I Sub-committee Meeting 05.09.09

Moments silence

Traditions read by Mark H

Attendance Ian F, Alison H, Jason W, Mark H, John R, Cristel, Phil P

Apologies Jimmy F, Andy M, Emma C, Mark S, Liz W, Ash M.

Positions Vacant:

Panel member HMP Kirkham  
Panel leader/member HMP Liverpool  
Panel leader/member HMP Garth  
Panel leader/member HMP Preston  
Lancashire co-ordinator  
Treasurer

Literature Report

An order of literature for £100 as been sent for, it will distributed to the co-ordinators of receipt.

Treasury Report

**Please can all GSR's take this service position back to group's. (2years clean)**

Opening balance £205.00  
Out goings:  
Literature £100.00  
Travel expenses Manchester £60.00  
Rent of room £10.00  
Total £170.00  
\_Income £5.00 tradition 7  
Closing balance £40.00

A treasury handbook was proposed for H&I funds to keep an effective account on income and out goings until this service position is filled.

The issues around the transfer of the bank details from the last treasurer is still in progress and we hope to resolve this shortly.

#### Merseyside Report

HMP Liverpool meetings going well with 8-9 regularly attending. Following last months request for a progress meeting with the institution, no reply has been received after attempts to contact them.

HPM Altcourse meetings going well with 20-26 inmates regularly in attendance. A possibility of moving meetings to the chapel has been mentioned due to the need of a bigger venue, good relationship with staff.

Birchwood Detox, meetings going well 7-9 residents regularly attending, good relationship with staff.

Adelaide House, meetings going well with 3 residents attending.

Kevin White meeting going well with 6-10 in attendance, no problems, good relationship with staff.

#### Manchester Report

week 1

1 observer 1 share all went well good feedback no problems good rapport with staff in facility.

week 2

panel member shared good feedback from residents and from staff need white booklets and leaflets for the next month.

strangeways prison H.M.P. Manchester.

meetings regularly attended 3-4 every week and some new faces. 1 inmate came across from another wing, have spoken with Simon Cundy regarding presentation on other wing nothing to report yet. same issues with prison sponsorship but security said they will read 5% of mail and clearance. he asked for more prison sponsorship cards. other issues arising are wondering if would be possible to set up a presentation either after during or at the beginning of the ramps course in a few months? to explain to the clients about who and what NA is all about and how we are not a PART OF RAMP....PLEASE Take to committee to discuss our no affiliation tradition. will

enquire further regarding that. thanks ash.

H.M.P styal prison

panel leader liz panel member christelle

thursday evening 6-7pm regularly attended meetings going well due to work and holiday commitments no presentations for 20th and 27th of august. we were moved into the main residence on the 3rd of september and will now stay doing meetings weekly on the choices house instead of the wing. no problems to report we will need literature as soon as possible. liz will be attending next meeting in case of any questions.

marks little bit added.....

I am still trying to forge a link in HMP risley by phoning and e mailing various people who are a part of the p and i sub committee.

also i am trying to set up a presentation in buckley hall more will be revealed in gods time thanks for allowing me to serve mark mcr.

#### Lancashire Report

HMP Kirkham Presentations going well with up to 11 inmates attending, most inmates who attend now posses a basic text, good relationship with staff no problem with getting members to go in.

Pierpoint presentations going well, no problems of situations and plenty of wiling members available to go in weekly.

#### New Business

Chair is going to contact UK H&I to open up communication to see how we as a sub committee can help UK H&I in anyway. We intend to email our sub committee monthly minutes and request UK H&I send us their minutes to service each other. Discussion around a member of sub committee attending UK H&I whenever possible.

A presentation was held at Phoenix house on 5<sup>th</sup> August to the staff it was attended by Jimmy, Jon Jon and Carl R, the presentation went very well and the facility were very receptive to NA. We were then asked by the staff if we could set up another presentation for the residents which we set up for the 19<sup>th</sup> August and was attended by Carl R, Will and Carole A. From feedback of the residents of the facility and Carl was that the presentation was powerful and the message was carried. I am now waiting for a response from the facility to set up a weekly meeting for the residents of Phoenix house. A service level agreement is in place and ready to sign if it is the wishes of the facility for NA to go into facilitate meetings. Can we thank all service members who attended these presentation and for carrying the message.

Jim Pitt from HMP Altcourse carat team contacted myself in regards to setting a presentation up for the managers of the VP wing at HMP Altcourse as they are wanting to get a meeting set up on the wing as the prisoners can't access the NA meetings that are being within the prison due to the status of being a vulnerable prisoner and the security issues that come with this status. Kevin W and myself

attended the presentation and it went very well and the managers have stated they would like NA to hold a meeting on the wing, as they would like to give the prisoners on the VP wing the same opportunity as the rest of the prison. The prison have thanked H&I for the service that we have been providing for the last year and are very pleased with how the meetings have grown and the feedback that they have had as been fantastic. A provisional date was set for Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September at 3.30 until 4.30 to go onto the wing and hold a meeting, but I informed the staff that this is something that I would have to put to the sub committee and take guidance around due to the nature and circumstances of the prisoner's offences.

#### Old Business

Parkwood psychiatric hospital request from parkwood has been received around facilitating a presentation on a Wednesday morning or Friday afternoon. After seeking guidance from members willing to serve we feel this is not feasible due to members unable to commit long term. This has been voiced to the point of contact and she is meeting there occupational resources manger this week to look at accommodating us in the evening, we are keeping commutation open and have a good relationship with them at present.

#### Other Business

Proposal for H&I convention link up accepted by convention committee.

Proposals welcomed for next sub committee to move venue to keep in rotation throughout the North West.

Next sub committee Wash lane Warrington 26.09.09 at 2pm til 4.30pm

Thank you to all that attended

Close with the serenity.

### **MEETINGS LIST**

Running smoothly

### **PUBLIC INFORMATION REPORT**

New chair in place report to follow from next meeting

### **Web servant report;-**

New web servant in place report to follow

Please note. The website for the north west and north wales is

[www.nwna.info](http://www.nwna.info) [Webservant@nwna.info](mailto:Webservant@nwna.info)

## **PO BOX REPORT**

Po box running well nothing to report

## **LITERATURE REPORT**

Sales        £1,155.00

### Questions

Darren - what happens to money made from literature

Adam - explained monies now combined with area treasury.

Inventory to be done

## **New business**

## **Treasurer's closing balance**

£1,523.79

Donations	£543.02
Paid out	£596.86
Gratitude pot	£77.46

**Next area, 02/10/09, 1 pm St Margarets, Lindley  
Avenue, Latchford Warrington WA4 1QB**