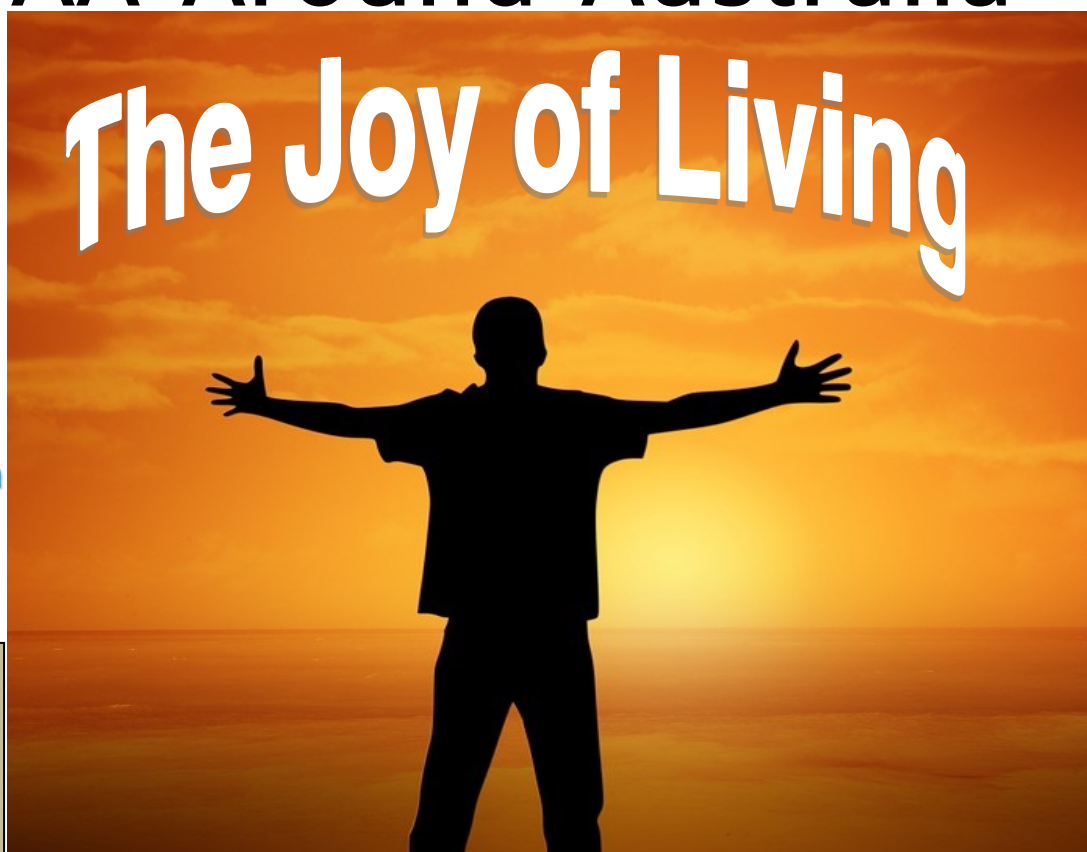



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Is the theme of our beautiful Twelfth Step and it has been chosen by our Host Planning Committee to be the theme of the 54th Australian National Convention of Alcoholics Anonymous to be held in Canberra at Easter 2019. The Convention will have Al-Anon and Alateen participation.

I think it's a wonderful theme for our Convention.

The committee is working hard to put on a great joyful convention. We have a wonderful venue in the National Convention Centre. It will give us scope to have a variety of meetings and workshops with plenty of space for Al-Anon, breakout areas for catching up with friends old and new and coffee and meal spaces.

The ballroom can seat around 250, so imagine the fun to be had with so many sober alcoholics dancing as only we can, and why not, we are Happy Joyous and Free.

As an added bonus, Canberra is a great place to visit at Easter. Our weather is good, the autumn leaves are spectacular and our National Institutions are always interesting to visit. The National Folk

Festival is also on and at past Conventions here, members have combined both. The closest hotel to stay at, is the adjacent Crown Plaza who have a special Convention price. Just quote AAA when booking online or by phone. Other accommodation options including low cost budget deals can be found at

[Visitcanberra.com.au](http://Visitcanberra.com.au)

Early bird registration is the best way to help us out. It enables us to meet our financial commitments. A flyer is enclosed with AAAA or check out our website. Tickets for the Convention raffle can also be purchased from the website.

[www.aanatcon2019.com.au](http://www.aanatcon2019.com.au)

2019 it will be the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our Big Book. So this is another reason to come and celebrate the joy of living we have found through our recovery as outlined by the first 100 in 1939.

I hope to see you all next year along with our Al-Anon and Alateen friends.

Yours in Service and Joy

Judy W  
Deputy Chair Host Planning Committee

# Calendar of events

**Australian National Convention 2019** Canberra  
18th-22 April  
See details at the Australian National Convention 2017 Website -  
[www.aanatcon2019.com.au](http://www.aanatcon2019.com.au)

Contact Jason C. 0499854928  
Email  
Address:[astroboy.jc@gmail.com](mailto:astroboy.jc@gmail.com)

## **2018 Sydney Boomerang Round-up**

October 19 @ 8:00 am - October 21 @ 5:00 pm  
Sydney Masonic Conference Centre, 66 Goulburn Street  
Contact: Darren D on 0422 255 930

**Sobriety Sisters AA Retreat**,  
Mapleton  
QCCC Mapleton 70 Obi Obi Rd  
Mapleton,  
[www.sobrietysisters.com.au](http://www.sobrietysisters.com.au)

## **Grafton Rally 2018**

17 November, 2018  
Head Space 59 Duke Street  
Grafton NSW RSVP & Enquiries  
AA - David 0429 528 537 or Tim  
0412 993 022

## SEPTEMBER 2018

### **63rd Albury Wodonga Combined Anniversary**

September 15 - September 16  
CWA/APEX Hall 561 Kiewa St  
Contact Louise 0418113485  
Pater 0439463899

### **Geraldton Round Up**

September 21 - September 24  
Cnr Cathedral Ave and Maitland  
St Geraldton WA  
Contact Paul:0498 128 600 or  
Karen: 0438 770 359

## OCTOBER 2018

### **Toowoomba October Rally**

October 5 - October 7  
Toowoomba Show Grounds,  
Glenvale Road  
Contact Carol 0448039808  
Kym 0425632206

### **Sunshine Coast AA Round Up**

October 5 - October 7  
Millwell Road Community Centre

### **NEWYPAA 2018 - Steps to freedom**

October 6 - October 7  
Newcastle High School 160/200  
Parkway ave, Hamilton South. For  
more information or enquiries  
please email  
[newypaa2018@gmail.com](mailto:newypaa2018@gmail.com)

### **Southern Regional Festival,**

Sunday October 7th at Yarraville  
10am - 5pm David House Please  
register attendance and to  
volunteer by emailing:  
[srfestival2018@gmail.com](mailto:srfestival2018@gmail.com)

### **Young At Heart Group, Tarro**

October 18  
Guest speaker Bob D from Las  
Vegas , 7.30pm Community Hall  
2A Northern Avenue Tarro NSW

### **Serenity in Samford**

26-28 October 2018  
[samfordweekend@gmail.com](mailto:samfordweekend@gmail.com)  
Enq Gerry 0477 771 715

### **Manning Great Lakes Rally**

Forster/Tuncurry, 26th-28th  
October  
Tuncurry Memorial Hall Point  
Road Forster/Tuncurry NSW  
2428 For further information  
contact John L 0411-809-404 or  
Michael G 0411-555-671

## NOVEMBER 2018

### **Blue Mountains Living Sober Rally**

3rd-4th November, 2018  
Mid Mountains Community and  
Neighbourhood Centre 7 New  
Street, Lawson NSW  
Matthew 0412242045  
Simon 0466587496

### **MERCAA (Middle East Regional Committee of AA) Convention**

9-10 November 2018  
For more details: [mercaa.com/  
event/sunlight-of-the-spirit](http://mercaa.com/event/sunlight-of-the-spirit)

### **Gold Coast AA Mens Retreat,**

9-11 November, 2018  
Where: Koonjewarre Retreat  
Centre: 2806 Springbrook Rd,  
Visit [https://  
gcmensretreat.wordpress.com](https://gcmensretreat.wordpress.com)

### **AA Fellowship of the Spirit: 4th Annual Australian Conference**

November 9 @ 4:00 pm -  
November 11 @ 1:00 pm  
Fitzroy Falls Conference and  
Adventure Centre 71 Ryans  
Lane, Fitzroy Falls NSW Register  
at  
[www.fotsaustralia.eventbee.com](http://www.fotsaustralia.eventbee.com)

## MARCH 2019

March 2019 is National Treatment  
Facilities/Special Needs &  
Correctional Facilities month

## SEPTEMBER 2019

### **2019 National PI&CPC Forum**

13th-14th September, 2019  
Chatswood, Sydney  
Dougherty Centre, 7 Victor Street,  
Chatswood, Sydney.

## JULY 2020

### **2020 International Convention**

- July 2020: Detroit, Michigan  
USA  
July 2, 2020 - July 5, 2020  
More details as they happen!

If you would like your fellowship event listed on the national AA website, please fill in the online form at [aa.org.au/members/add-an-event](http://aa.org.au/members/add-an-event) or write to General Service Office, 48 Firth Street, Arncliffe, NSW 2205.

## AAAAAAG\*

- Quarterly national service newsletter of AA Australia
- More than 1700 copies printed each issue
- Stories from individuals, groups, areas or districts about newsworthy initiatives welcome
- First published as News Digest in 1969. Renamed AA Around Australia in March 1972

\*AA Around Australia At A Glance

# A letter and update from Fiji

Thank you for the opportunity to discuss how Australia has carried the message of Alcoholics Anonymous to Fiji.

First I want to recognize June 10<sup>th</sup> Founders Day and how Alcoholics Anonymous from just two men has spread worldwide...

However, Here in Fiji a drunk can wake up and as recent as just two years ago prior to the AA Convention not have any information or resources or referrals... to sober up. No detox, no counseling, no residential recovery program, and no understanding about alcoholism. Only that they were morally bad for not being not able to stop drinking.. Beyond help and so low the church would not even take them in. ... Count yourself very fortunate to have sobered up where such information and resources are available.

Two years ago, thanks to Australia, the message was carried to Fiji. And an incredible convention was offered to Fiji in Suva where 140 Government ministers, medical, educational and local Fijians attended—400 in all. In a short time that day, the focus of the convention developed into a massive 12 step experience.

It became very clear what the purpose of this convention was..... to Carry the message of recovery.

Fijians were astounded at what they did not know, about alcoholism and throughout the day small groups was seen breaking off into small clusters sharing their recovery with parents, government officials and attendees, often with tears of understanding flowing. Statements like "I did not know what the matter was with me, to

now I know what was the matter with my family member or worker."

This was a convention that carried the message in a twelve step delivery—not just a show up and listen to speakers kind of convention but a very emotional witnessing informational and educational experience for Fijians and for us all.

Fiji Time moves slowly but in the past two years evidence of the public awareness of AA has grown and we are pleased to report of the contacts from the

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medical profession for referrals to the program.

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The Salvation Army was in attendance at the convention and was able to begin their own addiction recovery program this year and has offered a private room to our Suva group to rent for meetings.

Employers now know about AA and have sent staff that

have drinking issues to AA.

We have a website, and Australia has helped with a hotline and with newspaper advertisement for meetings and recovery.

We have Fijian members that first became sober at the convention and are now carrying the message to villagers in communities and now sponsoring others.

On June 17<sup>th</sup> we will celebrate our first Fiji Founders Day on the Coral Coast (It will also be my 43rd AA anniversary)

Our 3 online meetings continue to grow including contact with PNG and the Solomon Islands, giving an opportunity to share in the fellowship.

I have been elected to be the delegate for the Asia Ocean Service Meeting and hope to attend if able obtain sponsorship.

From the darkness of no hope in alcoholism here in Fiji, there is light and hope and recovery. Although we are still small in numbers we have now have Fijians carrying the message of AA to Fijians.

My gratitude for this miracle of seeing Fiji begin its own Alcoholics Anonymous is beyond my ability to express but I know a miracle when I see one. Thanks to those that have carried this message to Fiji from across the sea.

Vinaka Vaka Levu  
Phylis

## Message from the Past Western Region Trustee

At the end of 2017 I rotated off as Regional Trustee for Western Region, after four years of service that was the greatest experience of my thirty-two years in AA. The position was not something I had ever consciously aspired to and when I was first asked to consider nominating my initial reaction was 'no way!' Like most alkie I have a fear of responsibility. But I was taught early that I should never refuse an AA request if I have the ability and time to carry out what's asked of me. So I read up on what the Regional Trustee position entailed and realised there was no valid reason for me not to nominate.

Being Regional Trustee did turn out to be scary at first, but another bit of AA advice I'd learned was, 'feel the fear and do it anyway!' And with the guidance of my service sponsor—who had previously held the position herself—and the help and support of the General Service Board, I was privileged to enjoy a service experience that enriched my sobriety and helped me develop skills I never dreamed I had. 'Thank you' to the Australian Fellowship for providing such a wonderful service opportunity!

During my time on the Board I served as Chair of the Trustee's Remote Communities Committee, which was an interesting and rewarding experience. In that role I was privileged to visit Roebourne in the Pilbara Region of WA, at the invitation of the Mawarnkarra Health Service. I travelled with an Aboriginal member from Perth and we spent four days in the town, carrying the AA message to indigenous members of the local community. It was a humbling, powerful experience. Another memorable opportunity from my time on the Board was the privilege of participating in the Fiji Convention in 2016. To be able to take part in carrying the AA

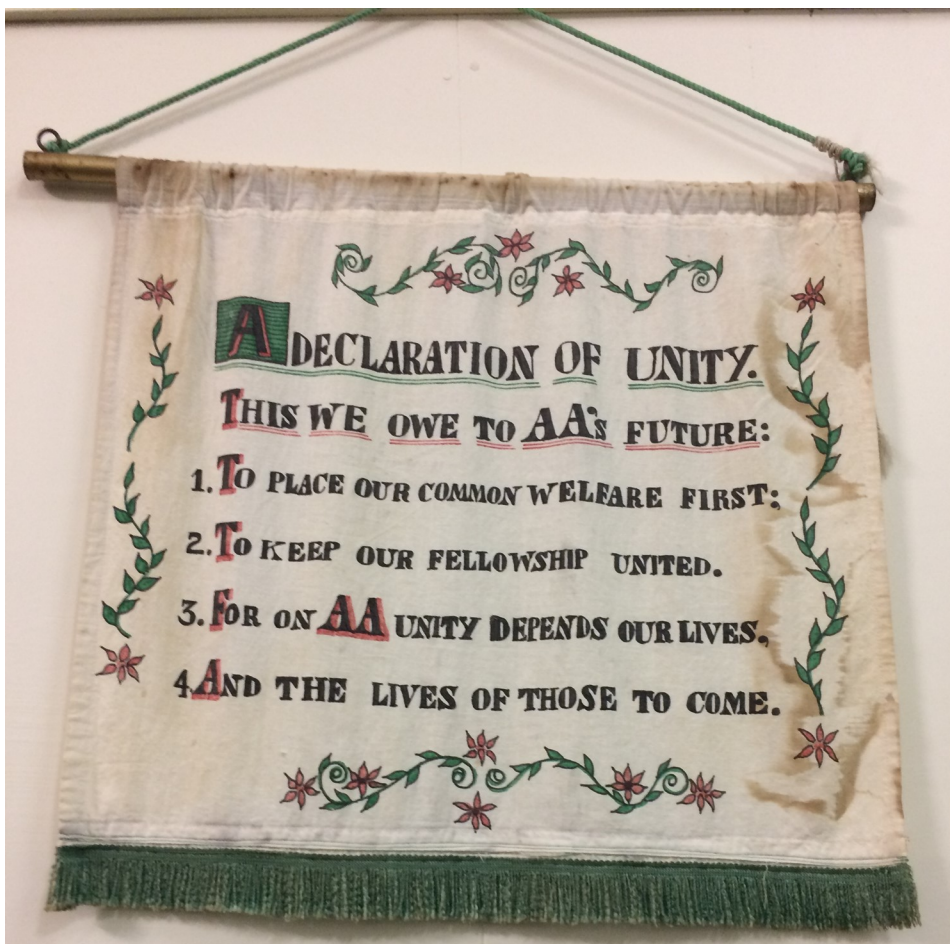
message to a nation who had not heard it before, and to have that message so eagerly and gratefully received, has to be the highlight of my service life thus far!

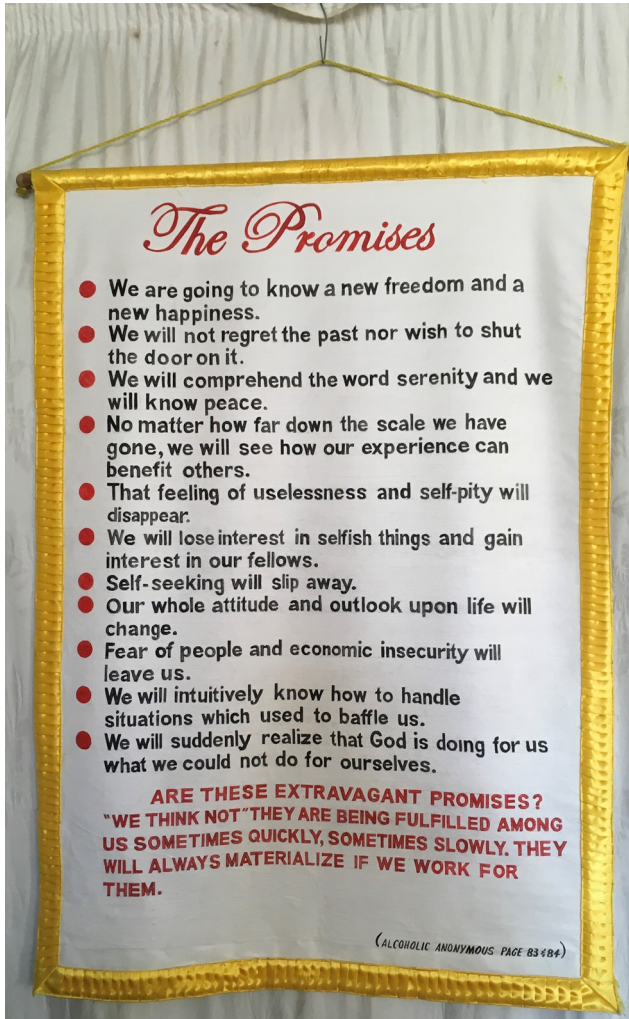
Another reason I was wary of nominating for the Regional Trustee position back in 2013 was the knowledge that it was time for Western Region to bid for another National Convention. I'd been heavily involved in the one held in Perth in 2011 and knew just how much work is entailed, so it was another 'dreaded responsibility' scenario! But once we had successfully bid for 2018, I realised that it wasn't me—Kerry S, Regional Trustee—who would be hosting the Convention, it was the responsibility of the whole of Western Region. And when I reflected on past Conventions held in Perth I was reassured, because we have a great track record for hosting the event. This time was no exception and the support of the Host Planning Committee and

the local Fellowship was phenomenal! The 2018 National Convention was a great success and chairing the amazing HPC for the event was yet another privilege of my term as Regional Trustee.

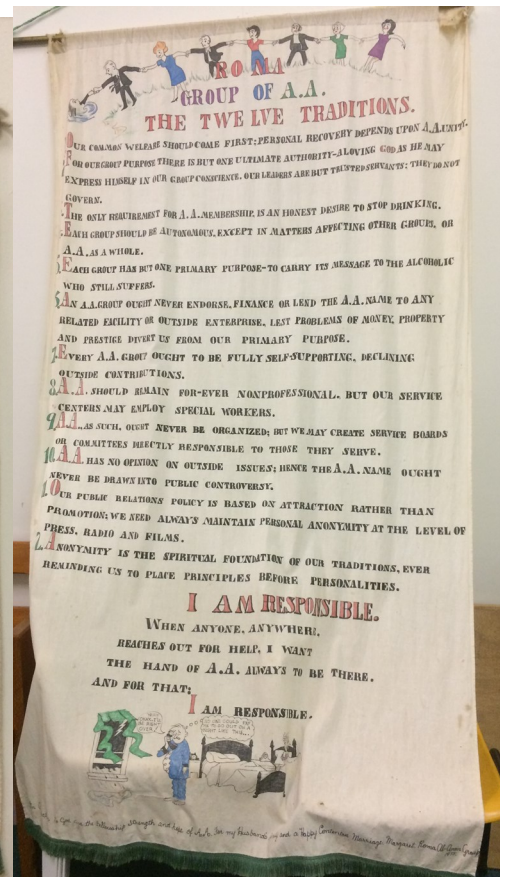
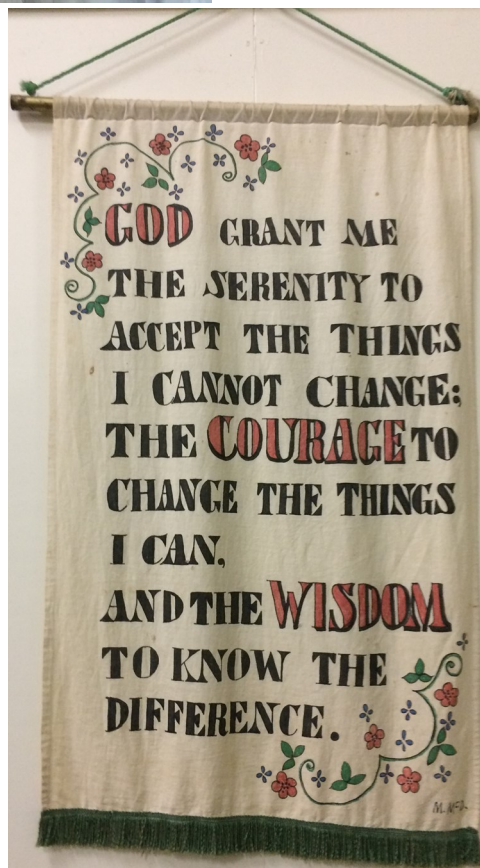
One of the duties of a Regional Trustee is to 'educate and encourage' local members within the General Service Structure. When I first read that responsibility it sounded quite daunting, but it turned out to be another gratifying aspect of my role. For the past four years I have had the opportunity to encourage other members into service and watch them grow and experience the joy of participation. And this enjoyable aspect of the role is also enduring; 'educate and encourage' is something that I can continue to do now that my term as Regional Trustee has finished.

Yours in Service  
Kerry S  
Past Western Region Trustee –  
2014 to 2017





Above are some wonderful examples of AA Folk Art from the Islington meeting, and on the bottom of this page and on page 4 some of the beautiful banners from the Roma ID meeting. Please send pictures of your meetings hand done signs or banners to [chris@aa.org.au](mailto:chris@aa.org.au)



# Conference Topics

## GENERAL SERVICE CONFERENCE 2018 TOPICS

### CONFERENCE POLICIES AND ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE

#### TOPIC #002/2018

Can and should Dogs be allowed at AA Meetings and if not, why is it still happening and how do we stop it before someone is sued or hurt or a meeting is kicked out its premises.

#### TOPIC #006/2018

Resolve that urgent legal action be taken against "AA Vic" for breaches of our AA copyrights which they are violating, and a fund be established Australia-wide to ensure that these necessary actions be financed to preserve the copyrights from destruction.

#### TOPIC #007/2018

That the General Service Conference advise the General Service Board to take the following immediate action to resolve the following threat by the 'AA Reviver' to the Australian AA Fellowship.

1. Commence legal action to prohibit this company from using the copyrighted Trademark 'Alcoholics Anonymous' in any of its publications. A letter from the General Service Board's solicitor, sent in May 2017 was ignored, and it has been publically stated that there is no intention of compliance.

2. Commence legal action to prevent this company from importing, selling or publishing AA copyrighted material, including the Big Book. It has been publically stated by a director of this company that there is no such thing as 'Conference approved, copyrighted literature'.

3. Take action to advise the Australian Charities & Not-For-Profits Commission (ACNC) that the status of this company, which has registered itself as a charity (see attachment), should be thoroughly investigated and that it

has no legal connections to Alcoholics Anonymous. The company has applied for and been granted exemption from income and fringe benefits tax and GST.

4. Take action to ensure that all members and groups are aware that all members/groups are aware that purchasing literature from this company is harming their Fellowship.

5. Ensure that all convention/rally committees, particularly in New South Wales, are aware that this company is contravening the international legal licensing agreement between the General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous Australia and AA World Services Inc.

6. Advise that any groups purchasing and displaying this literature will be contacted and made aware of the ramifications of their actions. Should they continue to purchase illegally imported material, they will be removed from the National Website listing and their office bearers will no longer be eligible for public liability insurance coverage.

### CONFERENCE REPORT CHARTER & SERVICE MANUAL COMMITTEE

#### TOPIC #014/2018

Increase awareness of Delegates to Conference and the Fellowship as a whole of the total role the GSO plays in the functioning of AA in Australia and that these functions are essential to the survival of AA in Australia.

#### TOPIC 012/2018

Guest speakers during the dinner dance at National Conventions  
Could we please abolish the practice of inviting AA members to speak during the dinner dance at National Conventions? Not all Conventions do it, but those that do usually get it horribly wrong. People have usually paid over \$100 for a ticket and are never notified prior to purchase that there will be a guest speaker or who that speaker will be. Dinner

dances are social occasions, where you can catch up with old friends and meet new ones. There are plenty of opportunities to listen to AA members speaking during the convention. It is not necessary during a dinner dance and extremely discourteous and boring to spouses and partners who might be in attendance, especially if the speaker is narcissistic. Sharing ones AA story should be about carrying the message, not entertainment. Tradition 12 states that we are to place principles before personalities and to practice a genuine humility.

#### TOPIC #028/2018

That the Australian Service Manual should be made available in large print format.

#### TOPIC#030/2018

The General Service Board recommends to Conference that Guideline 30 page 160 be amended as follows.

Under the heading Finance, it currently states '*As for Regional Forums, the Board will pay for a National Office staff member or Board member, preferably the Chair of the relevant Trustees' Committee to attend the Forum*'.

Suggest replacing this sentence with:

*'The Board will pay for the National Treatment & Correctional Facilities Co-ordinators and the Chairs of the Trustees' Treatment & Correctional Facilities Committees to attend, if available'. The Forum Committee is responsible for funding any other invited guests to attend'.*

#### TOPIC #031/2018

The General Service Board recommends to Conference that inaccurate information on page 90 of the Australian AA Service Manual be removed.

The last paragraph under the heading 'Where Do Zonal Delegates Come From?' states:

"Australia looks after Papua-New Guinea, Indonesia and many countries in South-East Asia such

# Conference Topics

as Burma, Thailand, Viet Nam and Cambodia. New Zealand responds to the vast Area of Oceania, with its thousands of tiny island communities”.

The Board does not know where this statement originated, but it is inaccurate and misleading.

This was possibly included as a result of some informal discussion at a previous Asia/Oceania Service Meeting. However, the Statement of Purpose of the AOSM quite clearly states: “The AOSM recognizes that it has no authority over any AA service or group. The only decisions to be made by the AOSM are those which affect the meeting itself.”

It also conflicts with our ‘I Am Responsible’ statement.

There are several other General Service and Central Service Offices within Asia/Oceania, which carry the message within the zone.

## CONFERENCE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE

### TOPIC #013/2018

Advise the Fellowship of the amounts raised by them as a result of their fundraising efforts for funding the Brown Paper Bag over the Founders Day week.

### TOPIC #015/2018

Rescind Advisory Action #029/2013:

Conference resolved to accept the Conference International Committee recommendation that Conference hosts an Asia/Oceania convention in place of the 2016 National Convention and that Asia/Oceania conventions be held, on a 5 year rotational basis, in a developing country in the Asia/Oceania zone. Countries such as East Timor, the Solomon Islands, Fiji, Samoa, Vanuatu, Cambodia, Laos and New Guinea could be considered amongst possible venues. This would assist us as part of our responsibility to carry the message to developing countries and to encourage the development of service structures.

## CONFERENCE TREATMENT FACILITIES & SPECIAL NEEDS COMMITTEE

No topics were allocated to this committee.

## CONFERENCE CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES COMMITTEE

No topics were allocated to this committee.

## COMBINED TREATMENT FACILITIES & SPECIAL NEEDS/ CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES/ PUBLIC INFORMATION & CO-OPERATION WITH THE PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY CONFERENCE COMMITTEES

### TOPIC #001/2018

To combine our PI&CPC and T&CF National Forums into one National two yearly event to be held over 3 days on the Queen’s Birthday Long Weekend .

## COMBINED TREATMENT FACILITIES & SPECIAL NEEDS/ CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES / COMMITTEES

### TOPIC #029 2018

In 2014 (Advisory Action 049) Conference resolved that the month of March be recognised as National Treatment & Correctional Facilities Month. It was envisaged that this would raise awareness of these two very important arms of service at a national level. Information on service in these areas was to be highlighted and shared nationally. The General Service Board recommends that the General Service Conference discusses what the Fellowship is doing to make this happen.

## CONFERENCE PUBLIC INFORMATION & CO-OPERATION WITH THE PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY

### TOPIC #004/2018

Can we have on our National or local websites or meeting lists for a AA meeting to be a child friendly or non- child – friendly meeting?

### TOPIC #009/2018

Create a 2019-long national PI sub-committee to coordinate events that allow the press, media, book festivals etc to report on and celebrate the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first publishing (1939) of ‘Alcoholics Anonymous’.

### TOPIC #010/2018

A.A. Australia would benefit from replacing its PI poster – “A.A. It Works” – with a contemporary option.

### TOPIC #011/2019

Currently A.A. Australia has a number of quite large, detailed publications on the nature, possible actions and value of Public Information, but we lack a simple, easy-to-read document that outlines PI basics at a grass roots, individual member level.

### TOPIC #032/2018

Conference directs the General Service Board to investigate enhancing the Meeting Search Function on the National Website to include the Area and Region each listed meeting nominally falls under, based on the meetings geographical location.

## CONFERENCE FINANCE COMMITTEE

### TOPIC #016/2018

GSO recommends that AA Australia recommence printing the US 4<sup>th</sup> Edition Big Book alongside the Australian 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition Big Book.

### TOPIC #017/2018

That Topic # 017/2017 voted into Advisory Action be revoked.

# Conference Topics

## THIS IS THE TOPIC WHICH WAS PASSED:

*“That the Board recommends to Conference that discount on literature to Areas and Districts only be available for PI&CPC initiatives by Areas and Districts. When there is a local Central Service Office groups should purchase their literature from that office.”*

### TOPIC #021/2018

That AA Around Australia be published electronically only

### TOPIC #022/2018

That AA Around Australia be a monthly rather than a 6-monthly publication

## CONFERENCE REMOTE COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE

### TOPIC #008/2018

That the attached Remote Communities Workbook be reviewed by conference and if agreed be available as a resource

to the fellowship and added to Guideline GL-035 Remote Communities as suggestions on how to carry the message to members/groups and professionals in a remote setting.

### TOPIC #003/2018

A separate section containing 10 of the original stories from the Big Book be added in the next

## CONFERENCE LITERATURE COMMITTEE

Printing of the Australian Edition of the Big Book Alcoholics Anonymous

### TOPIC #018/2018

That all our Literature should be displayed on the website in pictorial form.

## CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON TRUSTEES

No topics were allocated to this

## CONFERENCE AGENDA COMMITTEE

committee.

### TOPIC #026/2018

That a provision be made in the Conference Agenda Committee's Composition, Scope and Procedure document for the presentation of *Minority Reports* to the General Service Conference.

Concept V paragraph one. *In the light of the principle of the 'Right of Appeal', all minorities – whether in our staffs, committees, corporate boards, or among the trustees – should be encouraged to file minority reports whenever they feel a majority to be in considerable error. And when a minority considers an issue to be such a grave one that a mistaken decision could seriously affect AA as a whole, it should then charge itself with the actual duty of presenting a minority report to the conference.*

## The Alcohobbit, from the Teapot to the Board and back again

I recently finished my 4 year term as a General Service Trustee, feeling very grateful and privileged to have been able to serve AA at this level. Serving on the board of AA was the last thing on my mind when I stumbled into the rooms back in 2002. I wasn't really thinking about helping anyone else back then and certainly didn't have a lot to offer, but here I am sober, happy and free 16 years later. It has been an incredible journey and service at all levels has been a massive part of my recovery.

My journey in service really started when I got a sponsor. I had been going to meetings and not drinking but not done much else apart from reading the Big Book. That was all about action and steps and helping others and I knew I needed to kick on if I was to truly recover. I met some guys who were clearly doing the program and getting results and I asked one of them to sponsor me. Straight away he got me taking some daily actions including reaching out to other alcoholics. We started a group and my first job was making the tea. I remember thinking this was a waste of my talents what with my 3rd class degree in literature and military training and all, but no, just making the tea would suffice for now. It was a well structured group and I went on to do every job you can do at the group level. My sponsor also took me to the local Area

meetings and I got to do all the jobs there as well including delegate. This was an amazing experience and really opened my eyes to the national and indeed international structure of AA. I also got to attend the National Conference and see the big group conscience of AA in action.

Through this service I started learning about the General Service Office (GSO) and the Board of AA and meeting actual members from both. It had all seemed a bit distant till then and I had assumed the national office was a smart corporate address in a gleaming high rise in Pitt St, but the truth it is a humble office in Arncliffe managed by 3 amazing hard working staff who basically run the entire administration of AA Australia between them! Likewise, The Board was a not a group of high powered executives in an oak paneled boardroom with lots of spreadsheets and income projection charts. It was in fact just a group of volunteers who were prepared to put in the time and effort required to keep the organisation going.

After finishing my term as delegate and a year off back at the group, a General Service Trustee position came up, and it was suggested I could do it. I did have some trepidation about this, however I've also learnt in AA that you just make the commitment then just do what it takes.

As the GST you attend several Board meetings per year and the Conference which can involve nights away from home. You also need to attend the Sydney office meeting once a month for a couple of hours. As GST you discuss and have an input into a wide range of matters affecting AA. A lot of it is routine administration but each year there's a range of new issues. Some of these can be quite challenging and range from sublime to the ridiculous so it's never dull! You need to keep a sense of humour and simply do your best. It has also really brought home to me the importance of following the traditions and placing principles before personalities. There's some sick people out there!

When the 4 years was up I was glad to get back to my group and finish the commitment knowing some of the key issues we had faced over my terms as delegate and GST were getting resolved. I'd really seen the fellowship working hard to carry the message both here and overseas and felt proud to be a part of it. There are of course many challenges ahead but I've come to realize that in some form or another we have seen them all before and survived. I know that for me personally and for AA as a whole, if we do our best, help others, and carry a vision of God's will into all our activities, all will be well.



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August 10, 2018

Dear AA members,

Please read this important document from your General Service Board. We need your support and action to prevent a very real threat to the fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous in Australia.

We recently received an email from an entity known as The Reviver Bookshop, seeking the approval and support of the General Service Board to import Conference approved, AAWS copyrighted material from India. The General Service Board neither approves nor supports this venture for the reasons outlined below.

### Sole Licencing Agreement

AA World Services Inc. New York is the copyright holder for all Conference approved Alcoholics Anonymous publications. It is the policy of AAWS to grant one license to publish copyrighted literature to one established service entity per country. In Australia this licence has been granted to the General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous Australia. We have no authority to allow anyone else to import or print copyrighted material in Australia. Only AAWS has this authority. Our licence does, however, authorise us to protect and enforce the copyright on behalf of AAWS within Australia, including the right to file suit for any infringement. AAWS takes the protection of its copyright very seriously. If you do a search for 'copyright' on their website [www.aa.org](http://www.aa.org) you will find numerous articles outlining their policy and also advising the possible consequences of infringement.

### AA Reviver Bookshop

The Reviver Bookshop has registered itself as a charity with the Australian Charities & Not-For-Profits Commission (ACNC). The ACNC website shows the criteria for registering as a charity. A charity must:

- be not-for-profit
- have only charitable purposes that are for the public benefit
- be complying with ACNC governance standards
- not have any disqualifying purposes (for example engaging in, or promoting activities that are unlawful or contrary to public policy or promote or oppose a political party or candidate for political office), and
- not be an individual, political party or government entity.
- have an Australian Business Number (ABN) with the right entity type

We have attached copies of the ACNC documents relating to the Reviver Bookshop.

### Tradition Four

Even though the Board has now been asked for approval to import from by the Reviver Bookshop, we are aware that this has actually been occurring for some time. Several items of literature bearing the Reviver Bookshop stamp have been seen in New South Wales groups. It is of extreme concern that the only contact details shown on this literature are those of the Reviver Bookshop, the New York General Service Office and the Indian General Service Office in Mumbai. This literature was printed in and imported from India. We have contacted the General Service Board in India who are making every effort to identify the source. In the past we have been made aware of literature being imported illegally from the USA. We have sought the assistance of GSO New York in terminating this.

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Of further extreme concern to the Board is the effect this is having on the finances, not only of the General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous Australia but on the Central Service Offices. We currently offer a 23.5% discount on literature purchases to all Central Service Offices. Donations alone do not cover the costs of running the General Service Office nor do they cover the costs of running Central Service Offices. We all rely on the small profit generated from literature sales.

Groups or individuals purchasing illegally imported literature from the Reviver Bookshop or from sources such as The Reviver Bookshop and AA Victoria may not be aware of the legal ramifications or the harm that is being done to other entities. The Reviver Bookshop does not appear to have any overheads and is therefore able to undercut prices charged by Central Service Offices. Our CSOs are our front line in dealing with the still suffering alcoholic and need the support and protection of the Fellowship to continue to do this.

Illegally imported literature is not only breaking the law, no profits from the sale of any literature are benefiting Alcoholics Anonymous Australia. These profits are not going towards any important services such as setting up websites, providing telephone services, providing insurance policies, etc.

What can we do?

Ask questions. If you are approached by anyone either to sell books at your group or at an AA event such as a rally, if the books have not originated from the General Service Office in Sydney or one of the various recognised Central Service Offices throughout Australia, please decline the offer and notify the General Service Office [gso@aa.org.au](mailto:gso@aa.org.au)

How can we buy literature?

We encourage groups and members to buy literature through their local Central Service Office. You can find a list of these on our website [www.aa.org.au](http://www.aa.org.au)  
Any Central Service Office, District Office, group or member can purchase Conference approved Alcoholics Anonymous literature from the General Service Office. Literature is also available for purchase by the general public, treatment facilities, institutions, etc.

A wide range of literature is available, including foreign language literature. If, for some reason, you are unable to purchase through a CSO, you can buy direct from the General Service Office [gso@aa.org.au](mailto:gso@aa.org.au)  
You can find a list of available literature on our website or we can post you a hard copy if you prefer. Alternatively, you can obtain a hard copy literature list by contacting the General Service Office [gso@aa.org.au](mailto:gso@aa.org.au) or (02) 9599 8866 during business hours.

Thank you so much for taking the time to read this. Your support and co-operation is very much appreciated.

*In recovery, Service & Unity*



*Brett Fulloon,  
Chairman  
General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous Australia*

# Group Contributions March to August

## Important Notice

### AA Around Australia 2019

After discussion on our Fellowship's current financial position, at their last meeting in November the General Service Board agreed that it was necessary to continue cost cutting measures in 2019. There will only be two issues of AA Around Australia published next year – March and September 2019.

Information such as forthcoming events can still be published on the national and service websites and recovery stories etc. can be shared in the national e-magazine 'The Mixer'.

<b>CENTRAL REGION</b>		CR				
<b>Area A CR</b>		CR/A				
Brompton Beginners		60.00				
Coffin Bay		114.00				
Gawler		285.50				
Gawler Sobriety Sisters		3.55				
Grange		120.00				
Henley Beach		105.00				
Henley Beach Indigenous		30.00				
Hillcrest Hope		150.00				
Junction Midday		122.50				
Kadina Recovery		103.55				
Kilburn		551.45				
Mansfield Park		260.50				
Malvern		114.00				
Naracoorte		15.00				
Port Adelaide Friday		161.05				
Port Augusta		120.00				
Port Lincoln		300.00				
Queenstown		118.55				
Riverton		82.05				
Salisbury Friday		31.40				
Semaphore Serenity		300.00				
Sunday Women's		186.65				
Tea Tree Gully		100.10				
Two Wells		256.25				
<b>Total Area A:</b>		<b>3,691.10</b>				
<b>Area B CR</b>		CR/B				
Adelaide BBS		60.00				
Adelaide Beginners		345.00				
Aldinga		82.75				
Aldgate		124.96				
Bedford Park		285.95				
Belair		128.95				
Breakfast Groups		385.00				
Brighton Women's		90.00				
Burnside Friday Lunchtime		326.30				
Burnside Welcome		152.87				
Christies Beach		195.20				
Christies Connection		30.00				
Daw Park Repat		188.00				
Eastwood Recovery		288.00				
Flinders St Friday		133.08				
Glennelg		242.85				
Goodwood		166.50				
Goolwa		115.70				
Hyde Park Recovery		20.00				
Kingston on Murray		163.50				
Loxton Thursday		150.00				
Loxton Tuesday		240.00				
Meadows		74.75				
<b>Total Area B:</b>		<b>5,800.36</b>				
Millicent		69.00				
Mt Barker Sober on Sat		128.70				
Murray Bridge		30.00				
Norwood		262.50				
Park Holme		199.30				
Parkside Wednesday		67.75				
Parkside Sat		61.25				
Payneham		204.00				
Spiritual/Speaker		390.00				
Sunday Women's		107.45				
Willunga		114.00				
<b>Total Area B:</b>		<b>5,623.31</b>				
<b>Total Central Region:</b>		<b>9,314.41</b>				
<b>EASTERN REGION</b>		ER				
<b>Area A ER</b>		ER/A				
Armidale Free To Be		161.90				
Armidale Recovery		50.00				
Bangalow		559.00				
Brunswick Heads Weds		10.00				
Brunswick Heads Mon		50.00				
Byron Shire District		1,000.00				
Byron Bay Living Sober		50.00				
Coffs Harbour Steps Sisters		150.00				
Dorrigo		120.00				
Forster Sun S&T		780.00				
Kyogle Wed 7pm		50.00				
Lake Cathie		10.40				
Laurieton BBS		100.00				
Lennox Head		120.00				
Moree		1,000.00				
Nambucca Sun SC		210.00				
Pottsville Joys of Recovery		400.00				
Sawtell Living Sober		35.00				
South Golden Beach		180.00				
Tamworth Fri Night		1,000.00				
Wauchope		68.50				
Woolgoolga		50.00				
<b>Total Area A:</b>		<b>6,154.80</b>				
<b>Area B ER</b>		ER/B				
ACT Central Service Office		4,200.00				
Ainslie Village		45.00				
Back to Basics		45.00				
Barton Tues Lunchtime		350.00				
Bawley Point		180.00				
Bega		91.50				
Beginners Group (ACT)		103.31				
Bermagui		120.00				
Brindabella		15.98				
Bundanoon		100.00				
Canberra Stayers		360.00				
Canberra BB Basics		56.82				
Community		300.00				
Daily Reflections		320.99				
Daily Reprieve		99.00				
Dickson BB		435.60				
Emotional Sobriety		39.31				
Goulburn		1.50				
Interchange Group		210.00				
Jindabyne		30.00				
Kambah		120.00				
Merimbula Thurs 11am		400.00				
Narooma		25.80				
Pambula		45.00				
Queanbeyan		180.00				
Recovery		80.00				
South Tuggeranong		1.29				
Spiritual Concepts		166.33				
Tuggeranong Fellowship		165.00				
Weston Creek		103.50				
Women's Fri Night Group		109.43				
<b>Total Area B:</b>		<b>8,500.36</b>				
<b>Area C ER</b>		ER/C				
Gosford City Beginners		104.00				
Hamilton SA		120.00				
Kanwal Fri Night		50.00				
Kincumber		40.00				
Lambton BBS		10.00				
Raymond Terrace Mon Night		100.00				
Saratoga Fri Night		200.00				
Shortland BB Study		50.75				
Tarro BBS		100.00				
Terrigal Beach		220.00				
Terrigal BBS		50.00				
Toronto Sat pm		125.00				
Toukley Thurs Topic		100.00				
Toukley Tues ID		50.00				
Truth Rutherford		200.00				
Umina Sat LS		50.00				
Woy Woy BBS		60.00				
Wyong Steps		30.00				
<b>Total Area C:</b>		<b>1,659.75</b>				
<b>Area D ER</b>		ER/D				
Ashfield BBS 7pm Tuesday		120.00				
Bowral Mon/Sat		60.00				
Bowral Womens		90.00				
Kogarah Topic Sat 5pm		300.00				
Kogarah Beginners Thurs Night		250.00				
Liverpool Tue		180.00				
Liverpool Wed pm		200.00				
Mittagong Sun Night		129.30				
Nowra Wed BBS		40.00				
Oatley Living Sober Mon Night		124.95				
Unanderra Group		40.00				
West Wollongong BBS Tues		60.00				
West Wollongong Sat pm		30.00				
<b>Total Area D:</b>		<b>1,624.25</b>				
<b>Area E ER</b>		ER/E				
Area E Groups via NSCSO		10,317.59				
Baulkham Hills Sunday		30.00				
Dee Why Thurs 7pm		400.00				
Eastwood Fri		6.80				
Manly Sun 6pm		250.00				
Narrabeen Sat		1,225.00				
North Sydney Meditation		500.00				
<b>Total Area E:</b>		<b>12,729.39</b>				
<b>Area F ER</b>		ER/F				
Dubbo Sun Steps		293.40				
Dubbo Lunch		100.00				
Orange Mon		257.00				
Orange Tues Night		300.00				
<b>Total Area F:</b>		<b>950.40</b>				
<b>Area G ER</b>		ER/G				
Balmain Thurs pm		210.37				
Bondi Beach Sat		343.83				
Bondi Beach Sea Change		1,200.00				
Camperdown Thurs		90.00				
Coogee Living Sober		180.00				
Darlinghurst G&L Steps		150.00				
Darlinghurst 6.30 Tuesday		76.47				
Double Bay Sun		41.10				
Edgecliffe		225.00				
Erskineville		360.00				
Glebe Fri pm		110.15				
The Into Action Group		576.00				
Kings Cross Womens Sat		120.00				
Leichhardt Saturday		468.00				
Lilyfield Steps		810.00				
Maroubra Wed am		90.00				
Maroubra Fri noon		165.00				
Maroubra Beginners Mon pm		90.00				
Newtown Daily Reflections		36.60				

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Paddington Shy Sharers	300.00	South Melbourne Recovery	730.80	Gympie Steps	210.00
Randwick Steps & Traditions	960.00	VicYPAA	2,083.40	Hervey Bay Monday Night	150.00
Redfern Sun am	645.00	<b>Total Area C:</b>	<b>7,359.92</b>	Howard	180.00
Rocks Breakfast	1,020.00	<b>Area D SR</b>	SR/D	Kawana Friday	49.53
Rozelle Wed 8pm McKinnon	300.00	Ballarat District	280.00	Maleny Topic	125.70
Stanley St City pm	275.00	Ballarat Beginners	100.00	Maroochydore Closed ID Mon pm	50.00
Pyrmont Sat 11am Speakers	176.90	Brunswick West	600.00	Maroochydore Topic Sunday	378.00
Sydney City Wed 8am Lawyers	136.50	Bundoora	150.00	Mitchell	50.00
Vaucluse Recovery Tues pm	510.00	Clifton Hill Big Wednesday	185.70	Mooloolaba Tues Mens	120.00
Waverley 4th Dimension Rocket	670.00	Fairfield Steps	300.00	Morven Annual Rally	400.00
Waverly Young People	6.00	Geelong Breakfast Bill and Bob	100.00	Morven	300.00
Wayside Chapel	300.00	Laverton PP	75.00	Mundubbera	150.00
Wesley Groups	2,247.08	Moonee Ponds Big Book Tues	52.00	Nambour Saturday Night	240.00
<b>Total Area G:</b>	<b>12,889.00</b>	Northern Exposure	270.00	Newstead GLBT	45.00
<b>Area H ER</b>	ER/H	Rosanna Steps	300.00	Noosa DR Wed	300.00
Blaxland PPG	200.00	Seddon Steps	200.00	Noosa Sat pm	327.00
Burwood Sun	127.30	Torquay Wed BB	147.00	Noosa Tue, Thur, Fri	90.00
Guildford Mon	40.00	Western Unity	600.00	Noosa Tewantin Tuesday Lunch	33.00
Katoomba ABSI Sun	180.00	<b>Total Area D:</b>	<b>3,359.70</b>	North Brisbane District	1,435.30
Katoomba GLT	115.00	Break o' Day	150.00	Nundah	60.00
Katoomba Steps Tues	200.00	Burnie Fri Night	250.00	Petrie Park Sun	41.00
Katoomba Wednesday	200.00	Hobart City Thurs	400.00	Pialba	850.00
Kingswood Beginners	200.00	Kingston Thurs	100.00	Pomona	104.71
Lalor Park Tues	114.54	Sandy Bay	450.00	Redcliffe LS	60.00
Leura Fri ID	150.00	<b>Total Area E:</b>	<b>1,350.00</b>	Redcliffe AM Recovery	180.00
Maryfield coasters	200.00	<b>Total Southern Region:</b>	<b>14,756.67</b>	Redcliffe Combined Womens	55.00
Mt Druitt Fri	264.30	<b>NORTH EASTERN REGION</b>	NER	Red Hill Amity	90.00
Parramatta Town Hall Fri	40.00	<b>Area A NER</b>	NER/A	Red Hill Promises	135.00
Pemulwuy Wed pm	90.80	Atherton	43.60	Sandgate Sat pm	75.00
Penrith SOTS	80.00	Cairns CSO	175.15	The Gap DR	62.60
Penrith Womens	27.00	Cairns BB Mon	233.55	Tin Can Bay 12 x 12	160.00
Springwood Wed Night	480.00	Cairns groups	422.00	<b>Total Area B:</b>	<b>10,810.87</b>
St Marys Sat	100.00	Cairns Steps Tues	162.99	<b>Area C NER</b>	NER/C
Travellers Steps Workshop	160.00	Cooktown	50.00	Alexandria Hills	60.00
Tahmoor	160.00	Holloways Beach	70.00	Annerley Womens	25.00
Windsor Tues Steps	82.20	Innisfail Recovery	100.00	Area C NER	3,500.00
<b>Total Area H:</b>	<b>3,051.14</b>	Mackay Hope	310.00	Ashmore Tues	45.00
<b>Total Eastern Region:</b>	<b>47,559.09</b>	Mackay Serenity	180.00	Bayside Beginners	180.00
<b>SOUTHERN REGION</b>	SR	Mundingburra	234.00	Beenleigh ABSI	100.00
<b>Area A SR</b>	SR/A	South Townsville	18.41	Bethania PPG	20.00
Lorne Sea Change	200.00	The Strand	141.80	Big Book Basics Group	90.00
Warrnambool Central Fri	113.00	Townsville Annandale	30.00	Brisbane Traditions	100.00
Warrnambool Tues pm	200.00	Townsville Warburton St	190.00	Burleigh Heads Mon 7pm ID	194.65
Wendourie Tues	150.00	Townsville Primary Purpose	20.00	Burleigh Heads Early Birds	435.50
<b>Total Area A:</b>	<b>663.00</b>	Upper Ross/Rollingstone	240.00	Burleigh Heads Fri 8pm	22.50
<b>Area B SR</b>	SR/B	<b>Total Area A:</b>	<b>2,621.50</b>	Burleigh Heads Womens Sat 3pm	90.00
Bendigo District	150.00	<b>Area B NER</b>	NER/B	Burleigh Heads Wed E S	30.00
Bendigo Fri	374.05	Albany Creek/ Carseldine HP	20.00	Burleigh Heads Sun 5.30	381.60
Kangaroo Flat	100.00	Ashgrove West Big Book Sun 8pm	94.07	Capalaba Sunday Reflections	44.00
Rutherglen Discussion	100.00	Aspley DR Sat am	240.00	Chirn Park/Labrador Thurs 8pm	60.00
Shepparton Chapter 6 Motorcycle	600.00	Auchenflower	90.00	Coomera BB Monday 7pm	91.56
Shepparton District	650.00	Bray Park BBS	24.22	Coomera GC S&T Thurs	315.75
Wangaratta Fri	50.00	Bribie Island Fri Night	126.00	Coorparoo Day	1,704.27
<b>Total Area B:</b>	<b>2,024.05</b>	Bribie Island Mon Night Recovery	250.00	Darra Topic	90.00
<b>Area C SR</b>	SR/C	Brisbane Tues am Seize the Day	300.00	Elanora Spirit of Freedom	47.25
The Deal	1,724.21	Brisbane Traditions	150.00	Forest Lake Steps	190.00
Albert Park Womens	50.00	Bundaberg Fri Night BBS	140.00	Gold Coast Rally	842.57
Bentleigh Life's in Session	140.00	Bundaberg Thurs Night	82.70	Greenslopes	137.00
Caulfield Sober Saturday	163.41	Bundaberg Wed Midday	252.00	Gumdale	42.00
East Ringwood Log Cabin	400.00	Caboolture Big Book Recovery	172.50	Gumdale Saturday	70.00
Glen Waverley TIAS	300.00	Caboolture Sunday/Wed	350.00	Ipswich Daily Reflections	150.00
Melbourne Ross House DR	80.00	Caloundra BB Sat	90.00	Isle of Capri Sat	4.90
Metung	300.00	Caloundra Earlybirds Wed	195.00	Isle of Capri Thurs	320.40
Mitcham DR	450.00	Caloundra Wed pm	36.00	Kenmore Groups	150.00
Moorabbin McKinnon	140.00	Carina ID	691.91	Kirra Hill Thurs	45.00
Mornington AVFY	210.00	Chinchilla	24.00	Kirra Hill Sun	120.00
Mount Eliza Recovery	292.00	Clontarf SC	60.00	Mermaid Beach Fri 5:30pm	13.20
Somerville	90.00	Coolum	735.63	Mt Gravatt Mon/Thur	90.00
St Kilda Saturday Night Live	75.00	Eidsvold	60.00	Mt Gravatt Sun Night	240.00
South Melbourne Mens Group	131.10	Enoggera BBS Mon am	30.00	Mudgeeraba Tues 6pm	83.60
South Melbourne Recovery	730.80	Fortitude Valley Mens	90.00	Mudgeeraba Wed Discussion	15.00

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New Farm	827.00	Subiaco BB	90.00	14/6 Bendigo Bank Dep	15.79
Oxley Station	60.00	Subiaco YP	45.00	14/6 Tuesday Night	70.90
Palm Beach Sat 5:30pm Topic	120.00	Vincent St Morning	200.00	15/6 Central Service	101.50
Palm Beach BB Wed 7pm	100.50	Woodlands Topic	69.45	18/6 Deposit	300.00
Paradise Point Sun 5pm	120.00	<b>Total Area A:</b>	<b>6,171.81</b>	19/6 Breakfast w Bill	25.42
Slacks Creek	97.00	<b>Area B WR</b>	<b>WR/B</b>	20/6 Women of Courage	30.00
Southport Mon 12pm	62.80	Armadale	300.00	20/6 LS Group	113.40
Southport Mon Womens BB	115.80	Beaconsfield	60.00	21/6 Serenity	25.00
Southport Sat 10am	49.30	Beaconsfield Early Risers	303.46	22/6 BX Tues night	250.00
Southport Sun BB 6pm	95.20	Bunbury Mon	38.15	30/6 Captains Flat	200.00
Southport Sun 9am	11.90	Bunbury Sat	58.50	27/6 Bendigo Bank deposit	200.00
Southport Thurs Topic 10am	10.45	Fremantle Beginners	20.00	3/7 712729	50.00
Southport Wed 10.30am	28.15	Fremantle Serenity Group	240.00	3/7 31/8 Agent 82	110.00
Southport Wed 6pm	10.00	Fremantle Spiritual Concepts	195.00	11/7 AA Sunday Group	160.00
Southport Wed 10:30am	10.05	Fremantle Sunday Beginners	141.00	11/7 Turs PM BBS	40.00
Southport Wed Beginners	1.70	Fremantle Unity	135.00	9/7 CC58	30.00
Springwood Topics	120.00	Glen Forrest	150.00	9/7 Orange	40.00
Stanthorpe	90.00	Glen Forrest Womens	45.00	9/7 134 DonationJun	250.00
Tamborine Thurs ABSI	150.00	Kwinana - Medina	105.00	16/7 GBS Internet	50.00
Toowong Mens Topic	178.50	Kwinana Town	110.00	16/7 PNP	120.00
Toowoomba Beginners	95.10	Mandurah Recovery	50.00	17/7 Sun 8pm BB	60.00
Toowoomba District	100.00	Mandurah Steps	54.00	19/7 31/8 Central Service Don7	166.40
Toowoomba How	185.00	Margaret River	150.00	23/7 Jul SNL	20.00
Toowoomba Thurs LS	1,300.00	Mundijong	182.00	30/7 World AA CUG	180.00
Toowoomba Step 11	100.00	Pinjarra Steps	120.00	30/7 Port Macquarie	200.00
Toowoomba Thurs 10am	1,300.00	Rivervale CTM	30.00	2/8 Agent 107	45.00
Toowoomba Wed Night	300.00	Rockingham Peoples Group	243.00	2/8 Agent 707	45.00
Tugun Thurs	72.00	South Lakes	87.00	2/8 Central Service 73	120.00
Tweed Heads Mon 7.30	90.00	Willagee Fri	120.00	6/8 283128	50.00
Valley BBS	120.00	<b>Total Area B:</b>	<b>2,937.11</b>	6/8 Paddington	73.74
Wynnum Serenity	240.00	<b>Total Western Region:</b>	<b>9,108.92</b>	7/8 Albert park	21.64
Yeronga BB Basics	30.00	<b>NORTHERN REGION</b>	<b>NR</b>	7/8 699700	135.00
<b>Total Area C:</b>	<b>16,271.20</b>	<b>Area A NR</b>	<b>NR/A</b>	7/8 134Donation Jul	350.00
<b>Total North Eastern Region:</b>	<b>29,703.57</b>	Casuarina	18.00	10/8 Deposit	656.25
<b>WESTERN REGION</b>	<b>WR</b>	Darwin Daily Reflections	270.00	14/8 Footscray	250.00
<b>Area A WR</b>	<b>WR/A</b>	Darwin Harbour View	224.30	16/8 Surry Hills	383.12
80 Mile Beach/Sandfire Steps	300.00	Humpty Doo	91.15	15/8 Cremorne	18.00
Balga	75.00	Nightcliff Sat	72.00	16/8 South Sydney PP	60.00
Bassendean	450.00	Parap Thurs pm	365.00	16/8 Rainbow Recovery	120.00
Broome	300.00	<b>Total Northern Region:</b>	<b>1,040.45</b>	27/8 Eastern Twilight	280.00
Butler	60.00	<b>Unknown Internet Deposits</b>	<b>Unknown</b>	<b>Total Unknown Deposits:</b>	<b>4,886.24</b>
Carnarvon	43.44	8/3 Deposit	111.00	<b>TOTAL ALL REGIONS:</b>	<b>116,369.35</b>
Early Openers	45.00	9/3 134DonationMar2018	300.00	<b>LIM - Australia Donations</b>	<b>205.00</b>
Ellenbrook Steps	90.00	12/3 Spiritual PNP	120.00	<b>TOTAL LIM</b>	<b>205.00</b>
El Salvador	30.00	12/3 Parra WIS	300.00		
Geraldton	400.00	19/3 190318	60.00		
Greenwood Warwick	450.00	22/3 Agent 51	100.00		
High Wycombe Steps	50.19	27/3 St Peters group	210.00		
Inglewood Women's	60.00	27/3 Deposit	1,311.00		
Joondalup	200.00	3/4 TBBS	100.00		
Kalamunda	197.59	4/4 527928	66.00		
Kalamunda A New Freedom	30.00	5/4 134DonationApr2018	250.00		
Kalgoorlie	160.73	9/4 Paddington	97.69		
Maylands Daybreak	78.00	11/4 AA District	33.00		
Maylands	30.00	17/4 Deposit	60.00		
Merrima Beginners	165.00	7/5 Common Welfare	70.00		
Midland Steps	210.00	7/5 387359	350.00		
Marangaroo Friday	100.00	8/5 4670	120.00		
Mirrabooka Spanish Speaking	90.00	8/5 134 Donation	125.00		
Nedlands Breakfast	150.00	14/5 Progress Not Perfection	120.00		
Nedlands Joy of Living	410.00	16/5 716738	200.00		
Noranda Steps	150.00	21/5 Belmont	30.00		
North Beach	180.00	24/5 Central Service Don7	114.00		
North Beach Womens	54.64	31/5 Murwillumbah	100.00		
North Perth Monastery Care	300.00	30/5 29/8 Wed am Reflections	170.00		
Northbridge Spiritual Concepts	30.00	30/5 20/8 BWB	152.37		
Northbridge Speakers	150.00	4/6 Paddington	96.18		
Northbridge The Beacon	90.00	6/6 297662	60.00		
Perth City East	46.80	6/6 Agent 85	60.00		
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*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.*

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