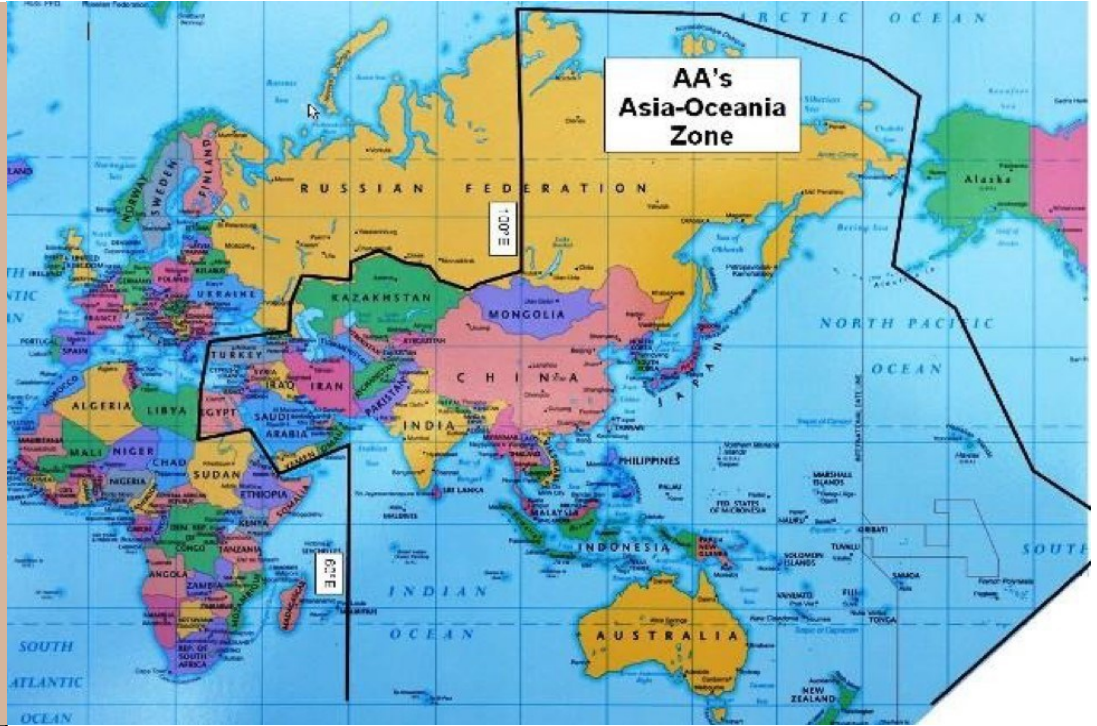


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AA Around Australia

The brown paper bag appeal



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The Australian AA Fellowship, as a result of last years “Brown Paper Bag Appeal”, can certainly give itself a well-deserved pat on the back. Why is this deserved? Well because the total raised was \$9508.00. This is far above the amounts raised in 2020 and 2021 combined total of \$1,500.00. But well below the amount for 2023 which exceeded \$16,000.00 It has always been proven within the AA Fellowship that if the worthy cause is needed and communicated throughout the Fellowship then the support will be forthcoming. It can be truly stated that a revival of the appeal has begun and perhaps we may get back to those heady days of \$20,000.00 plus for this much needed cause.

The AA world is split into four zones comprising North America, South America, Europe which also includes most of Africa and the Asia Oceania Region (see map below). There are 72 countries in the Asia Oceania Region and the population of these countries make up for two thirds of the world’s population, but many are third world countries with financial burdens. Due to the financial constraints for many of the 72 countries only a small number of these countries (around 25%) are in a position to

participate in the Asia Oceania Service Meetings (OASM) which are held bi-annually. Australia being the “Older Sober Country” has the responsibility to help spread the AA message and assist in the growth of the Fellowship, in those countries, who are less fortunate than all of us in Australia in terms of the AA Fellowship.

This year during “Founders Week” that need is still the same as it has always been since the inception of the “Brown paper Bag Appeal” during 1995. That need is, money raised go towards the International Sponsorship Fund, namely assisting those less fortunate countries residing in the Asia Oceania AA Region. Australia is the main support to these countries also with assistance from New Zealand and Japan in helping the growth of AA in these Asia Oceania countries by means of literature translation or any other necessary requirements. Australia’s early AA days was dependent on assistance from the fledgling AA Fellowship within the USA. In the spirit of “Passing it on” it is our responsibility to step up and the “Brown Paper Bag Appeal” is the vehicle by which we can fund that responsibility.

Many newer members within the Australian AA Fellowship may be not

Brown Paper Bag Appeal cont

aware of the "Appeal" so briefly this is how it works. Founders Day for Alcoholics Anonymous is deemed to be the 10th of June 1935. Every year, during the week that this day falls, groups are invited to donate the amount collected at their meeting closest to the 10th June to the "Brown Paper Bag Appeal". This year Founders Day falls in the week from Monday 5th June to Sunday 11th June. Districts and Areas may also wish to contribute to the appeal.

Groups, Districts, Areas, and Delegates can obtain from the GSO in Sydney, some actual Brown Paper Bags, which have on them information as to how to send money but more importantly symbolize the appeal. The sender should send an email to the GSO

advising them of the deposit stating it is for the Founders Day International Sponsorship Fund (FDISF) and any other relevant information such as name of group, amount, and contact details. It has been advised that some community banks and credit unions etc. do not have the provision to use alphabetical letters in reference but rather only numerical. This makes the use of the nominated reference "FDISF" unable to be used. It is suggested the numerals 10061935 (equates to 10th June 1935) be used, please always send an email advising the GSO if not able to use alphabetical letters in the reference.

For Australia the activities of AA service at the Group, District, Area and National levels is exactly

the same as that of the Asia Oceania Service Meetings or World Service Meetings which is "To carry the message of hope and recovery to the alcoholic who still suffers, wherever in the world they maybe, whatever language they may speak". Translating from English to other languages is not a simple straight forward thing because of words having different meanings in other countries and is also very costly then there is the cost of printing.

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

aamembers.org.au Events

Do you have an event you'd like to tell the Fellowship about? You can now do so by filling in a simple form on the aamembers.org.au website. You will need to register with a username and password, and when you do you'll have access to all the information on the website for AA Members. There are more functions being added to the website as more and more members sign up. There are free downloads for members interested in Public Information,

Treatment Facilities, Correctional Facilities as well as information to AA Group members. Get information of Round ups and Rallys in your locale as well as ones you may wish to visit some time away. You can submit your AA Event by filling out the Event Form [here](#) Don't forget to add all the information on any cost (if any), and upload your flyer for the event!

You can contribute directly to the GSO here

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

AREA H HOSTING A FORUM WITH A DIFFERENCE

Area H will be hosting the 2024 Eastern region Forum this coming August. After sending our entire Steering Committee and Office Holders to the Newcastle Forum in 2023, it was unanimously agreed that we had a responsibility to build on the momentum and enthusiasm generated by Area C's event. All of us had begun to imagine what a Regional Forum might look like in

Western Sydney shortly after making the turn onto the M1 for the trip home.

Regional Forums provide local and visiting AA members with the opportunity to meet members of the General

Service Board, Office staff, Area Delegates from all around the Region. The weekends are not only a celebration of the immeasurable impact our

carry the AA message more effectively.

This year's forum will be held in an historical conference centre on the banks of the Nepean River

in Castlereagh. For the first time in recent memory the Forum will offer full accommodation and meals Friday through Sunday, eliminating the need to source local accommodation and reducing travel during the weekend. We have an exciting list of potential speakers and facilitators, all passionate and dedicated Servants who

talk the talk and most definitely walk the walk of AA Service and embody the Spirit of Carrying the Message to the alcoholic who still suffers.

YIS,



Trusted Servants have on our Fellowship and the security of it's future but are also a valuable source of information derived through the sharing of strategies and ideas other Areas are implementing to

Ever wondered what 10,000 Big Books looks like?



Well now you know!

Once every two and a bit years, the General Service Office places an order for 10,000 Big books, in a mixture of 4th Edition American and 2nd Edition Australian. They usually arrive in a 20ft shipping container and the pallets are then transferred to a flatbed truck for delivery to GSO premises in Rockdale NSW.

Esperance Rally



The Esperance Rally went off without a hitch this Year. What an amazing turnout with roughly 70 members in attendance. There was great support for the Esperance Thursday night meeting followed with the roundup starting Friday evening. Saturday started with a morning meeting was held on 11 Mile Beach followed by lunch at the Civic Centre and finished with a Trivia night of fun, games, and laughter.

Sunday morning started with a spectacular drive along the beach to Lucky Bay where the Spiritual Concept meeting was held. Everyone moved over to Hellfire Bay for lunch and an afternoon of swimming. The weekend finished off with a Gratitude meeting and the sobriety countdown. Would like to say thank you to the committee for hosting a wonderful weekend of fellowship.



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1/ Alcoholics Anonymous Australia 80th Whitsunday Cruise Then one week later
2/ AA's National Convention in Sydney - The main event celebrating 80 Years In Australia

We warmly welcome Alanon Members

Newcomers: There's alcohol on this ship. Talk to your sponsor about being spiritually fit enough to attend

Please **DO NOT** book directly with P&O
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Over eighty already set to sail on AA Australia 80th Anniversary Celebration Cruise in 2025

Exciting news as eighty bookings have already been secured within the first two weeks of announcing Australia's inaugural sober cruise, marking a milestone event for Alcoholics Anonymous. Originally planned pre-Covid-19 with 197 members signed up for the inaugural "Friends Of Bill" Cruise, which unfortunately had to be cancelled. However, with meticulous reporting to the AA Secretary, we've been granted the opportunity to relaunch the cruise as part of Alcoholics Anonymous' 80th Anniversary celebrations.

Mark your calendars for March 18-22, 2025, as we embark on this unforgettable journey aboard the P&O Pacific

Encounter, departing from Brisbane to Whitsundays and back. With the cruise strategically scheduled just before the National Convention in Sydney (the main event for our 80th celebrations), overseas and travelling visitors can maximize their experience by attending both historic AA events.

We aim to unite 400 AA, Alanon, and family members for this four-day voyage. Professional travel agents, Ozcruising will exclusively handle all bookings, ensuring a seamless process. Join us at the Hilton Hotel Adelaide this Easter, from March 30 to April 1, 2024 where we will have a display table at the Adelaide Convention. Don't

miss out on this incredible cruising opportunity—secure your tickets early as they're selling fast!

YIS, Australia 80th Anniversary Cruise Committee

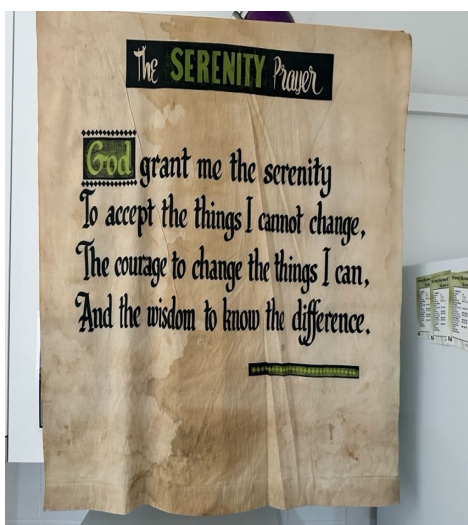
You can book online directly via this link

<https://www.ozcruising.com.au/cruise/pa25-i513.fobc2025>

Disclaimers*

- 1/ Members will be sharing the ship with drinkers and open bars. Please check with your peers and sponsor to ensure you are spiritually safe.
- 2/ Please do not book directly through P&O as we need to count and cap the bookings through Ozcruising.
- 3/ The committee is currently requesting a second onboard meeting room for Alanon. The cruise committee has engaged Alanon member Jane P, Cessnock NSW to facilitate onboard Alanon meetings.

AA Folk Art



Bridgetown is a small town roughly 90 km SE of Bunbury in Western Australia with a wonderful little fellowship of members. Their meeting is held at 4pm every Sunday in an old house that has been

transformed into a business setting. It is often fascinating some of the different things you see in the rooms as with the Serenity Prayer Banner the unique design along with its age showing and the

slogans, they all look like they have been handcrafted. Thank you, Bridgetown, for your warm welcome it was a pleasure to meet you all.

Cliff P

Are street libraries the new way to Carry the Message?



Waverley Into Action initiated a scheme to place copies of *Alcoholics Anonymous* in street libraries around Area G, in the eastern suburbs of Sydney. Finding the small community library boxes perched on posts and walls across the area was like taking part in an urban treasure hunt. A Big Book was placed in each glass fronted cabinet so any visitors to these street libraries, struggling with drinking, could borrow a Big Book and maybe feel encouraged to seek help through AA. It was really rewarding to see that Big Books had been borrowed within hours or days of having being placed in our local street libraries. This seems to be a fun and effective way of carrying the message to the next suffering alcoholic and Waverley Into Action recommends other groups try the same.

Corrections Report

A quick summary of some of the Corrections related work (of which I am directly aware of) that has been occurring in the last year, thanks to the efforts being made by our fantastic servants doing 12th Step in this area.

The ERCC (Eastern Region Corrections Committee) is now in its 3rd year of existence. I will come across as heavily biased towards these folks, but only because I am based in the Eastern Region myself, and as such am aware of pretty much everything they do. So in a nutshell the ERCC has set up a direct contact with NSW Corrections to efficiently process applications to enter NSW gaols, such that AAs wanting to join in the work of carrying our Message directly to inmates need only liaise with the ERCC, not NSW Corrections directly, thus avoiding the lengthy bureaucratic process)

There are AA meetings in Long Bay Forensics Hospital, Long Bay Correctional Centre, Silverwater Women's Correctional Centre, Dillwynia Women's Correctional Centre, South Coast Correctional Centre (Nowra), Alexander Maconochie Centre (Canberra), Mid North Coast Corrections Centre (Kempsey), Clarence Correctional Centre (Grafton), Cessnock Correctional Centre, St Heliers Gaol (Muswellbrook), Campbelltown Hospital Forensics Unit, Cooma Correctional Centre, Glen Inness Correctional Centre (hosted by chaplain), Bolwara Transitional Centre (Emu Plains)

Work is being done with the administration in the hope to starting a new AA meeting at Silverwater Metropolitan Remand and Reception Centre

AA literature has been supplied to Broken Hill Correctional Centre and Bathurst Correctional Centre

We have also tapped into the technical support teams in some

of these gaols to have some approved AA related resources configured and enabled on inmate tablets (where copyright permissions allow), and working further to broaden the basket of materials already in use

Efforts are being made to successfully extend the amounts for AA literature approved by NSW Corrections and made accessible to inmates through official channels

After working with gaol administration to achieve the necessary authorisation and privileges, direct sponsorship of alcoholic inmates is happening in some NSW gaols

*These are just the items where efforts have turned into tangible results. At least as many attempts have been made to help the sick and suffering alcoholics in the system that as yet haven't led to concrete results

Victoria: The VPI (Victorian Prisons Intergroup) has been described by some as the "gold standard" in AA Corrections work in Australia. With some other states lacking in AA CF support, and myself being a newcomer to Corrections, I have really only had the pleasure of meeting some of these busy AAs either in person or via Zoom. The alcoholic inmates down there are extremely well served by the VPI.

QLD: All 3 Areas in the North Eastern Region have AAs carrying the message to QLD gaols. These great folks are a combination of experience, dedication, commitment and service. I regret I can't give a comprehensive list of the gaols they are presently active in, but 12th Step work is being done in most of the major gaols around Brisbane and many regional gaols, with the list currently being extended and efforts made to add to the roster of volunteers.

South Australia: As in QLD, there is great work being done in various SA gaols by some of our AA members there.

Northern Territory: A lot of the national focus has fallen on NT in the last year or so. Despite very sincere and committed efforts by some wonderful AAs there (particularly around Darwin and Alice Springs who I have had the pleasure of getting to know), alcoholism is rampant and in some demographics is screaming out for attention. A group of AAs from various locations throughout Australia are trying to apply very focused and comprehensive help here. This relies (as always) on approval and cooperation by the authorities. Hopefully some concrete headway may be made soon.

Western Australia: Like most other states, all I can say for certain is that there are some exemplary AAs serving in the CF realm, particular (but not restrained) around Perth

Tasmania: Apologies. I hope to find some of you before another 12 months passes by...

Tim (National Corrections Coordinator)

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/>

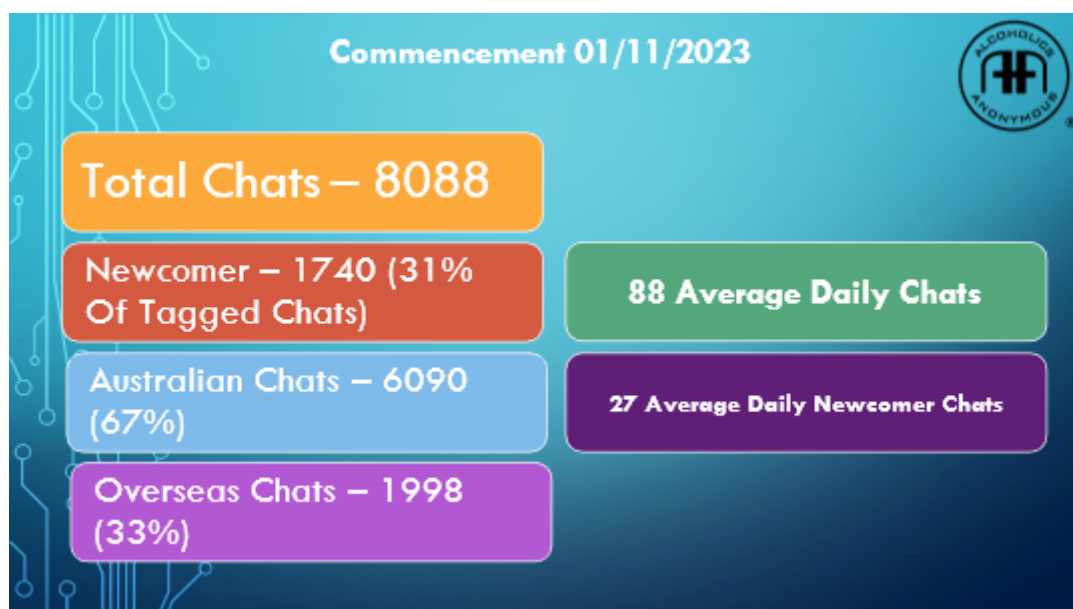


The chit chat on ChatNow

On 1 November 2023, the Australian ChatNow service was launched with an overwhelmingly positive response and we now have some data to share with you. The report on our first three months of operation was submitted to the General Service Board and it was well received. For all the data nerds out there, here's a snapshot of figures up to the end of January 2024.

ChatNow founding members, we say thank you for not giving up hope of this ever becoming a reality. An Interim Steering Committee has now been appointed until August 2024 when elections will be held. The GSB has agreed to an additional package of Live Chat accounts which will allow for each responder to have their own account. At this point in time, the service operates between the hours of 10am –

chats as well. The instant and alternative avenue for help that the ChatNow service provides has been one of the most effective and exciting opportunities for our National Fellowship in reaching the sick and suffering alcoholic. Here is an excerpt from a recent chat (4th Feb 2024) between a visitor and a responder, and a powerful example of how we are reaching people:



Visitor: "I have a problem with alcohol. I had a fall tonight because I had too much to drink. I have been to rehab twice, I am a seventy year old Grandmother and I am so ashamed of myself. I just don't know where to turn"

Responder: "Hi, well done for reaching out and asking for help. AA can help, it's helped millions of people stop drinking..."

My name is Donna and I am a sober member of Alcoholics Anonymous with 22+ years of continuous sobriety. I have been involved in service work at differing levels where I live, and I have to say that I thoroughly love being a ChatNow responder. It is an exciting time to be sober in Australia, and to be part of this historical and inaugural enhancement to the way we deliver service to the suffering alcoholic and their family and friends.

We owe it all to the dedicated working group who investigated and sought to implement the service. To our

10pm (AEDT) with the potential to expand in the future. We have 30 fully trained responders who fill up to 42 x 2 hour shifts per week.

In today's fast-paced world, where instant communication is not just a luxury but a necessity, AA's ChatNow has proven to be convenient and versatile. It provides a direct connection for visitors to the Australian website with no geographical barriers, and as the stats show, there has been a significant increase in the number of enquiries being handled. We are also receiving a notable number of overseas

If you are looking to give back to the Fellowship and do some service work, watch this space! We may very well be looking for more volunteers to fill our rosters in the near future. If you have any questions or would like any more information about becoming a responder, please reach out via email to

chatnow.chair22@gmail.com.

Group Contributions December to February

CENTRAL REGION		CR	St Theodore's Steps	0.95	Area F ER	ER/F
Area A CR	CR/A		Sunday Women's	123.35	Corowa	40.00
Brompton Beginners	92.15		Wakefield Street Thursday	3.00	Orange Tues Night	300.00
Daveron Park	6.00		Yankalilla	75.00	Redlands BB	73.00
Elizabeth East	57.10		Young Peoples	12.60	Total Area F:	413.00
Gawler	4.50		Zoom As Bill Sees It Women's	16.50	Area G ER	ER/G
Grange	75.00		Recovery On The Spectrum	45.00	Annandale Mon 8pm	150.00
Henley Beach E S	38.39		Total Area B:	3,511.41	Ashfield Sun 1pm	75.00
Henley Beach Promises	100.50		Total Central Region:	5,373.67	Bondi Beach Sea Change	4,050.00
Junction Middy	72.00		EASTERN REGION	ER	Coogee Living Sober	43.59
Kapunda	85.50		Area A ER	ER/A	Darlinghurst Sun 5pm	210.00
Kilburn Speakers	429.00		Area A	500.00	Darlinghurst ID	300.00
Mansfield Park	9.00		Armidale	43.80	Erskineville	220.50
Mens Topic	0.90		Brunswick Heads Sun	143.52	Gay Beginners	19.80
Nuriootpa	120.00		Byron Bay Sat Womens	65.00	Grateful Sunday	3.00
Port Adelaide Friday	93.20		Casino	420.00	The Into Action Group Waverley	450.00
Port Pirie Hope	33.15		Coffs Harbour Steps Sisters	50.00	Kings Cross ABSI Wed	450.00
Riverton	42.00		Grafton BBS	600.00	Kings Cross Sun	150.00
Salisbury Wednesday	12.40		Lennox Head	75.00	Kings Cross Wed Rex Centre	100.20
Salisbury Saturday	45.17		Mullumbimby Thursday JFT	500.00	Leichhardt Saturday	150.00
Salisbury Sunday	3.30		Nimbin	40.00	LGBT Recovery Saturday	435.00
Salisbury Friday	4.20		Port MacQuarie Fri 8pm Boots and All	205.00	Lilyfield Steps	50.00
Seaton Simplicity	210.00		Port Macquarie Oxley	45.00	Marrickville	300.00
Semaphore Serenity Mon	190.45		Port Macquarie Womens Sat	109.87	Newtown DR	378.90
Taperoo	0.90		Sawtell Groups	20.00	Newtown St Stephens	150.00
Tea Tree Gully	12.00		South West Womens	175.00	Paddington Sat 8am	90.00
Two Wells	65.45		Wauchope	100.00	Paddington Fri Night Speakers	300.00
Women Living Sober	60.00		Total Area A:	3,092.19	Paddington Sun	24.00
Total Area A:	1,862.26		Area B ER	ER/B	Paddington Shy Sharers	92.70
Area B CR	CR/B		Batemans Bay Steps & Traditions	393.50	Rocks Breakfast	1,400.00
Adelaide BBS	30.00		Beginners Group (ACT)	236.33	Rozelle Womens	834.50
Adelaide Breakfast	363.40		Bundanoon	170.00	Saturday Night Sober	500.00
Adelaide Beginners	18.45		Murrumbateman	180.00	Surry Hills	120.00
Aldinga	34.35		Narooma Thurs Night	80.00	Sobriety Sisters	6.00
Aldgate	4.50		Sunday Sunset Group	107.50	South Sydney Group	90.00
Atheists and Free Thinkers	6.00		Tuggeranong Womens	48.00	Sydney City Pilgrim House	300.00
Bedford Park (Clovelly)	387.70		Total Area B:	1,215.33	Vaulcley Recovery Tues pm	150.00
Berri S&T	78.00		Area C ER	ER/C	Waverley Mens	270.00
Blackwood	17.10		Mayfield	220.00	Wednesday Morning	37.50
Brighton By the Book Speakers	1.50		Nelson Bay Tues/ Fri Night	140.00	Wesley Groups	239.21
Brighton Beginners	36.10		Newcastle Three Legacies	100.00	Woolwich Beginners	300.00
Brighton Women's	130.47		Tarro Young at Heart	250.00	Total Area G:	12,439.90
Christies Beach BBS	120.00		Area D ER	ER/D	Area H ER	ER/H
Coromandel	157.55		Ashfield Wed	45.00	Blaxland PPG	369.55
Eastwood Recovery	239.95		Ashfield Thurs Noon	200.00	Bright Spot Womens CFCU	420.00
Eastwood Women's Sunday	101.15		Campbelltown Wed	300.00	Katoomba ABSI Sun	30.00
Eastwood Monday	51.00		Corrimal	60.00	Katoomba Wednesday Noon	100.00
Flinders Street Circle of Serenity (B)	6.00		Kogarah DR Sat 6pm	15.05	Macarthur District	592.00
Flinders St Frkiday	48.60		Mittagong Steps Wed	100.00	Springwood Topics	80.00
Flinders St Tuesday	8.40		Nowra TIAS	450.00	Total Area H:	1,591.55
Flinders St Wednesday	252.30		Oatley Living Sober Mon Night	175.00	Berkeley Vale BB	48.00
Glenelg	89.55		Oatley Sat 9am Daily Reflections	350.00	Berkeley Vale Mon Steps	120.00
Glen Osmond R2R	54.00		Padstow CTM	200.00	The Entrance Daily Reflections	150.00
Goodwood	79.85		Wollongong Womens	75.00	Toukley Thurs Topic	75.00
Goolwa	30.00		Woolgoola	80.00	Total Area I:	393.00
Hawthorn Living Sober	0.60		Total Area D:	1,970.05	Total Eastern Region:	25,093.44
Loxton	195.00		Area E ER	800.00	SOUTHERN REGION	SR
Malvern	68.10		Area E	800.00	Area A SR	SR/A
Mt Barker Sober on Sat	18.00		Curl Curl Living the Solution Womens	180.00	Bellarine Peninsula	40.00
Murray Bridge	30.00		Dural Steps	500.00	Lorne Sea Change	100.00
New Hope	45.00		Frenchs Forest Group	600.00	Total Area A:	140.00
Norwood	123.04		Lilyfield Steps	100.00	Area B SR	SR/B
Payneham	99.00		Manly Sat 5 pm	88.42	Albury Lavington Wed Night	200.00
Payneham Primary Purpose	197.25		Mosman Mon 8pm	1,000.00	Castlemaine Sun	60.00
Renmark Sunday	10.50		Total Area E:	3,268.42	Maryborough Tues	520.00
Seaford	3.60				Meryborough Sat BB	100.00
Spiritual/Speaker	99.00				Wodonga Monday	40.00
					Total Area B:	920.00

Group Contributions December to February

Area C SR	SR/C	Caboolture ID/Recovery	60.00	Western Region	WR
The Deal	357.55	Calliope	300.00	Area A WR	WR/A
Belmont Speakers	268.00	Chevallum	160.00	Bassendean	300.00
Belmont Unity Recovery	180.00	Childers Group	192.52	Burns Beach	177.00
Caulfield Sober Saturday	161.25	Cooloola Cove	100.00	Butler	94.50
Chelsea Sat	40.00	Coolum	84.00	Universal Steps	105.00
Croydon Tues	100.00	Cooroy	100.00	Duncraig	300.00
Dandenong Common Welfare Fri	100.00	Dakabin	15.00	Ellenbrook Steps	250.00
Elwood Wed	118.85	Enoggera BBS Mon am	60.00	El Salvador	30.00
Frankston Midweek	246.90	Fortitude Valley Mens	300.00	Heathridge Steps	30.00
Mentone	150.00	Gympie Steps	140.00	Gwelup	156.90
Pakenham Friday AM	150.00	Howard	35.00	Maylands Daybreak	180.00
Prahran Sun Night Recovery	20.00	Margate Beginners	60.00	Morley/Dianella ABSI	90.00
Prahran Eastern Twilight	384.00	Maroochydore Sun Topic	300.00	Nedlands Breakfast	100.00
Progress not Perfection	97.50	Mooloolaba Beginners	150.00	Nedlands Womens	240.00
St Kilda Beginners BBS	300.00	Nambour Saturday Night	603.10	Noranda Steps	54.00
Melbourne Mens Group	1,186.62	Noosa DR Wed	55.00	North Perth Vincent St	979.20
South Yarra P N P	100.00	Noosa Sat pm	300.00	Northbridge midday	30.00
Yarra Valley	6.50	Nundah	207.45	Northbridge Early Openers	70.65
Total Area C:	3,967.17	Paddington Serenity	222.00	Northbridge Lunctime	30.00
Area D SR	SR/D	Pialba Group	250.00	Perth City Wednesday	60.00
Ballarat Sunday	100.00	Pomona	500.00	Perth Early Openers	36.00
Essendon	350.00	Redcliffe LS	60.00	Port Hedland	600.00
Geelong Into Action	200.00	Redcliffe	30.00	Pinjarra Steps	60.00
Geelong Sat	160.00	Red Hill Promises	218.00	South Perth Zoom	10.00
Geelong Mens	184.00	Sandgate SC 5pm	180.00	Subiaco Steps	105.00
Hurstbridge Recovery	200.00	Strathpine	120.00	Vasse	22.50
Ivanhoe	120.00	Toowong Beginners	18.00	Warwick	450.00
Laverton PP	50.00	Total Area B:	8,250.12	Yokine/Dianella Universal Steps	63.00
Northern Exposure	300.00	Area C NER	NER/C	Total Area A:	4,623.75
Northern Lights	50.00	Alexandra Hills	60.00	ABC Steps (Spearwood)	59.73
Preston Beginners	250.00	Annerley Womens	60.00	Armadale	210.00
Seabrook	15.00	Bayside Beginners	90.00	Beaconsfield Wed BB	90.00
Seddon Steps	237.00	Brisbane West End	33.00	Beaconsfield Womens	75.00
Torquay Wed BB	800.00	Broadbeach Happy Hour	30.00	Breakfast with Bill	200.00
Westhope Rule 62	500.00	Burleigh Heads Early Birds	375.00	Busselton	616.00
Western Unity	500.00	Burleigh Heads Early birds	210.00	Coolgardie	72.00
Total Area D:	4,016.00	Burleigh Heads The Way Out	300.00	Donnybrook	90.00
Area E SR	SR/E	Clifford Gardens	30.00	Fremantle Mens	25.00
Devonport Wed	250.00	Elanora Unshakable	270.00	Fremantle Sunday Beginners	30.00
Devonport Womens	100.00	Forest Lake Steps	120.00	Fremantle Tues pm	25.00
Huonville Fri	160.00	Gold Coast Mens	272.18	Hamilton Hill Early Rises	138.60
New Norfolk	70.00	Goodna	50.00	Kalamunda	80.30
North Hobart	600.00	Greenslopes	256.20	Kalamunda A New Freedom	43.70
Sandy Bay	313.40	Hamilton	100.00	Kalgoorlie Steps	73.50
Total Area E:	1,493.40	Helensvale Tues 8pm	60.00	Maddington New Beginnings	15.30
Total Southern Region:	10,536.57	Hope Island Thurs S&T	126.30	Mandurah Womens	45.00
North Eastern Region	NER	Ipswich ID Recovery	180.00	Margaret River BB Steps	150.00
Area A NER	NER/A	Isle of Capri Sunrise	850.44	Mt Barker Plantaganet	72.00
Atherton Malanda	82.00	Kenmore Groups	140.00	Parmelia	84.79
Blackbutt	25.00	Mt Tamborine Combined	150.00	Rockingham Discussion	60.00
Cairns Fellowship	500.00	Murwillumbah Thurs Night	60.00	Rockingham Peoples Group	348.57
Kuranda	40.00	Ormiston ID	187.00	South Fremantle Steps	300.00
Townsville Annandale Early Birds	90.00	Oxley Station	90.00	Spearwood ABC Steps	85.46
Total Area A:	737.00	Paradise Point	300.00	Willagee Courage to Change	60.00
Area B NER	1,500.00	Paradise Point LGBT	55.10	Willagee Living Sober	165.72
Albany Creek/ Carseldine HP	190.37	Samford Tues & Thurs	156.00	Willagee Recovery	225.00
Ashgrove West Big Book Sun 8pm	195.00	Silkstone Booval Serenity	120.00	Willagee JFT	45.00
Aspley Group	180.00	Springwood Topics	1,750.00	Total Area B:	\$3,485.67
Auchenflower	123.00	Toowoomba Mon	50.00	Total Western Region:	8,109.42
Beerwah Group	82.50	Toowoomba District	500.00	Northern Region	NR
Bridgeman Downs Weds	240.00	Toowoomba Thurs BBS	500.00	Area A NR	NR/A
Brisbane Rainbow	60.00	Toowoomba Womens	400.00	Darwin Harbourview LS	92.10
Brisbane Traditions and Concepts	150.00	West End Meditation	133.80	Darwin Tues BB	43.81
Brisbane CSO	121.00	West End AA It's Saturday	25.00	Darwin Wed Rapid Creek	89.18
Bulcock Beach	300.00	Wynnum Serenity	135.60	Darwin Zoom	40.20
Bundaberg	168.18	Total Area C:	8,225.62	Palmerston	282.00
Budaberg Wed Womens	120.00	Total North Eastern Region:	17,212.74	Zoom In All Our Affairs	250.55
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