

Illawarra and South Coast central Office Inc.

Delegates Meeting Minutes

Monday 23rd February 2026 at 6pm

On Zoom: ID; 891 9515 7868 Passcode: 695615

Meeting papers and reports are available on:

<http://www.aawollongong.org.au/meeting-papers>

1. Meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer
2. Preamble and Traditions of AA read by Steve.

3. Attendance:

Voting members; Rona (Corrimal Steps), Steve(Corrimal Steps), Danielle (Warilla Steps), Rhia (Wollongong Lighthouse) Anne (Bulli Saturday) Bill (Unanderra)

Non-voting: Gary (Shellharbour) Anna (Shellharbour), Deb (Warilla Saturday) Kirsten (Nowra) Lauren (Penrith)

Apologies: Rusty (Bellambi), Suzi (Wednesday Womens), Tony (Corrimal Tuesday)

3a. Confirmation of Quorum: YES. Five voting representatives present

4. Previous Minutes: Read and accepted. Moved Anne, seconded Steve.

5. **Rally Report.** Bill presented the financial report for the rally. Rally was considered a huge success with over 300 in attendance over the weekend. Net profit of \$4,485. Rally committee were congratulated on their service and commitment. Financial report available on the link above.

Report was moved to accept by Rona, seconded Rhia.

6. **Correspondance and Secretary Report:** Rhia presented the report. This report is available at the above link. Report was moved to accept by Rhia, seconded Gary.

7. **Treasurers and Financial Report:** Rona presented the reports for the Quarter, November 1 2025 to January 31 2026. These reports are available on the above link

Reports were moved to be accepted by Rona, seconded Gary.

8. Special Resolutions:

Motion 1.

That Item 51 which reads as follows:

51. The association's financial year is: a) The period commencing on the date of Incorporation and ending on the following 31 May, and each period of 12 months after the expiration of the previous financial year, commencing on 1st June and ending on the following 31 May.

To be changed to

51. The association's financial year is: a) The period commencing on the date of Incorporation ending on the 30th June, and each period of 12 months after the expiration of

the previous financial year, commencing on the 1st July and ending on the following 30th June.

Moved Rona, seconded Rhia. Motion was carried unanimously.

Motion 2.

That Item 34 which reads as follows:

34. Notice of General Meetings.

34.2 The General Meeting in August, or in another month as determined by the association, shall be called the Annual General Meeting.

Be changed to read as follows:

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34.2 The general meeting in November, or in another month as determined by the association, shall be called the Annual General Meeting.

Moved Rona, seconded Anne. Motion was carried unanimously.

9. **Office Report:** Deb presented the Office report for November, December and January. This report is available on the above link.

10. **Web Report:** Rona presented the latest news and updates on the local and National websites. This report is available on the above link.

12. **Chairpersons Report:** Rusty was unavailable to attend the meeting, his report is available on the above link.

13. **PIPA Report:** Rhia presented the report and this report is available on the above link.

14. **Guest Speaker.** Lauren from Penrith group (which is part of Area H) presented to the committee the latest PIPA initiative that their area has just recently implemented.

* The group proposed a digital billboard advertisement for AA at Penrith's busiest intersection. (Parker Stand Great Western Highway), high visibility to a high volume of daily commuters.

* After consultation and discussions with Groups, where everyone had opportunity to be heard, value for money queries, to raise concerns (especially regarding Traditions), security of the QR code and tracking the campaign, a motion was carried to go ahead.

*The billboard consisted of a slogan....IS DRINKING COSTING YOU MORE THAN MONEY, the AA hotline phone number 1300 22 22 22 and a QR code. The campaign ran for a period of 5 weeks. The QR code resulted in 19 clicks.

* Total cost for that period was \$3840 which was split across the Penrith and Blue Mountains.

The committee thanked Lauren for her time and service in presenting this latest way of carrying the message.

15.: **Election of Committee Vacancies** Held over till next meeting.

16. **Group Reports:**

*Rona, Corrimal Steps and Traditions Sunday, Plodding along, good consistent numbers. Meeting has added another element to their meeting format by adding an ID meeting in their rotation

*Gary, Shellharbour. Meetings are going well, numbers fluctuate. Financially doing ok, being able to cover the Council rent.

*Danielle, Warilla Womens. Numbers are up and down of recent times, otherwise going ok

*Rhia, Wollongong Lighthouse. Great numbers, 30 attending some weeks., which helps financially, with a \$50 per week rent. Meeting going one year now, a range of members, female numbers on the rise. (meeting coincides with the Wednesdays Womens Meeting)

*Soup Kitchen Fridays lunchtime. Steve (Corrimal) is holding the fort as the current Secretary is unavailable now. Could do with some support for service work. There were some administration issues, but Steve managed to come to an agreement with the Church. Numbers usually up to 10.

*Anne, Bulli Saturday. Numbers consistent each week 15 -18. Financially does well, as rent is a gold coin donation to the Bulli Community Centre. Could do with more members to help with service.

17. Meeting closed 7.10pm with the Serenity Prayer.

Next Delegates Meeting 18th May.