

Greater Vancouver Intergroup Monthly A.A. Newsletter

Pass It On . . .

Understanding the Role of Fellowship in the Success of 12-Step List Members

The Greater Vancouver Intergroup helpline is a service that is supported and answered by its members. It exists as a tool for the still-suffering alcoholic who is lost, cannot stop drinking or stay stopped. It may be, and often is, a person's first point of contact for Alcoholics Anonymous. It allows that individual to connect with one of our members answering the hotline, and hear about our common solution, the one that's has saved and continues to save so many of our lives.

When that caller gets in touch with the helpline, they are offered to be put in contact with two members of the fellowship who may meet them for coffee, go visit them at their home, or simply continue the conversation and have the hand of Alcoholics Anonymous extended to them, showing that they are not alone in their disease.

The members of the fellowship who are contacted to provide this life-altering service work are called from Group 12-step lists, which are held at the Greater Vancouver Central Office phone room and protected for anonymity and correct usage. These Group 12-step lists must be updated annually by Groups (Phone Rep, Secretary, Intergroup Rep or as group conscience designates) and submitted starting December 1st to be used in the following year. Currently, in 2024, the helpline members have

a critically low number of Group 12-step lists. The helpline members are having a great amount of difficulty in finding responsible members to take on the responsibility of taking Twelve Step calls – a lifesaving service for many of us.

If your homegroup has had a 12-step list in the past or wishes to be a part of this Twelve Step experience, you must access a blank 12-step form sent to you by reaching out to staff at staff@vancouveraa.ca or the Telephone Committee at telephones@vancouveraa.ca.

“Life will take on new meaning. To watch people, recover, to see them help others, to watch loneliness vanish, to see a fellowship grow up about you, to have a host of friends- this is an experience you must not miss... Frequent contact with newcomers and with each other is the bright spot of our lives.” Reprinted from

Alcoholics Anonymous, page 89 with permission of A.A., World Services, Inc

Twelve Step list forms may be printed or downloaded from this QR code.



Central Office Hours:

- Mon.- Fri.: 9:30AM to 6:30PM
- Sat.- Sun.: 9:30AM to 1:00PM
3457 Kingsway, Vancouver, BC, V5R 5L5
- Phone Lines: **24/7**

Office will be closed on statutory holidays:

March 29, 2024, closed for lit sales open for phones

Intergroup Meeting:

- Orientation for new Reps at 7:00PM .
- Intergroup meeting at 7:30PM.
- 3457 Kingsway, Vancouver, BC V5R 5L5
- Meeting ID: 604 434 3933 PW: GVIS

Next meeting: April :16, 2024

All members are welcome!

Intergroup Page: Unity, Service, & Recovery

The purpose of every outreach subcommittee is to assist the Intergroup Committee in carrying out the primary purpose of Alcoholics Anonymous as expressed in Tradition 5. Each outreach subcommittee is therefore assigned a particular area of responsibility.

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Sub-Committees:

Accessibility:

accessibilities@vancouveraa.ca

We are working on bringing a plan to the fellowship to renovate a washroom at Central Office so it is accessible, for persons with wheelchairs.

We are continuing our task to get all meetings and groups to confirm if their location is properly marked in the meeting directory as accessible. If your group has as not already, please submit an accessibility audit to Central Office.

We still have lots of work to do, so announce at your meetings that we need members. It would be wonderful if each group was represented on our committee.

Co-operation with Professional Community:

cpc@vancouveraa.ca

Stephen, our past chair has moved on to Operating committee, we voted in Maxe, from the Denman Group as our new chairperson.

We are in need of a recording secretary. This position requires attendance at the monthly meeting, recording the minutes and then distributing them to the members.

Phone Room Stats:

2023-24	DEC	JAN	FEB
12th Step Callers	7	11	6
Answer. Service	48	61	36
Helplines	552	512	520
Staff	158	217	201
TOTALS	765	801	763

Correction Facilities:

corrections@vancouveraa.ca.

Corrections committee is pleased to welcome our new chairperson, Sandi. Sandi is a member of the Saturday Morning Dilemma Group.

The committee requires members to go into institutions. This is a process, so we request members prepare to do the position for more than one time. If you are interested, attend our monthly meeting and Sandi will answer your questions and provide more information.

The 2024 Corrections Literature Roundup is also starting to get organized. This is a perfect starting position for members wanting to get involved in Corrections service. If you are interested contact Sandi at the email above.

Public Information:

public.info@vancouveraa.ca.

Is presently meeting with Co-Operation with the Professional Committee.

Telephone:

telephones@vancouveraa.ca.

Dal, the present chairperson, will be rotating out in August. The committee is hoping to have someone from the fellowship step forward who is willing to train with Dal for a bit before taking on the important position. No less than one year of sobriety is required. This is a position of responsibility and is a one year term with the possibility of a second year. Contact Dal if you are interested.

Twelve step lists are needed in the phone room. If your group members are willing to be available for 12-step calls, please fill out the form and submit it to Central Office staff. The form can be emailed or a paper copy obtained from staff.

Treatment:

treatmentchair@vancouveraa.ca

We have a new chairperson, Chelsea!! Raj has completed his term and rotated out.

The Committee is needing a recording secretary and has other service posts available.

There is a monthly training session for anyone interested in speaking in institution such as hospitals, detox and treatment centres.

Directory Updates March 2024

For a complete listing, check: www.vancouveraa.ca under meetings

Meeting Changes:

Monday:

[EDMONDS SOBRIETY](#): Name Change (from EDMONDS NOON SOBRIETY) - Noon, St. Alban's Church, 7717 19th Ave, Burnaby

[SILENT ECHO MEN'S](#): Meeting ID & PW Change - 7:00PM,

Meeting ID: 592 821 2263 PW: Silent Echo

Tuesday:

[EDMONDS SOBRIETY](#): Name Change - Noon, St. Alban's Church, 7717 19th Ave, Burnaby

Wednesday:

[EDMONDS SOBRIETY](#): Name Change - Noon, St. Alban's Church, 7717 19th Ave, Burnaby

[FLEETWOOD AACTION GROUP](#): Online Added - 7:00 PM,

Meeting ID: 740 9917 8787 PW: 001311

Thursday:

[EDMONDS SOBRIETY](#): Name Change - Noon, St. Alban's Church, 7717 19th Ave, Burnaby

[YOU ARE NOT ALONE](#): Day Change - 6:30PM, was on Saturday now on Thursday.

[LIVING IN THE SOLUTION](#): In-person - 7:00PM, Croatian Cultural Center, 3250 Commercial Dr, Van.

[WEST END GRP](#): Time Change - 7:30PM, Holy Trinity Church, 1440 W 12th Ave, Van

Friday:

[EDMONDS SOBRIETY](#): Name Change - Noon, St. Alban's Church, 7717 19th Ave, Burnaby

Saturday:

[EDMONDS SOBRIETY](#): Name Change - Noon, St. Alban's Church, 7717 19th Ave, Burnaby

[WEST POINT GREY](#): Time Change - 7:30PM, St. Helen's Anglican Church, 4405 W 8th Ave, Van

New Meetings:

Monday:

[MTWTF](#): 12:15PM, Christ Church Cathedral, 690 Burrard Street, Van

Tuesday:

[10 O'CLOCK CLUB](#): 10:00 AM, Vancouver Recovery Club, 2775 Sophia St, Van

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New Meetings (continued):

[ANOTHER CHANCE](#): 7:00pm, Gordon Neighborhood House, 1019 Broughton St, Van

[UNDER THE BRIDGE](#): 7:30PM, 380 Welch St #9a, North Van

Wednesday:

[EARLY BIRD STEP DISCUSSION](#): 9:30AM, North Shore Alano Club, 176 2nd St E

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[KEYSTONE NEWCOMERS](#): 7:00PM, Online

Saturday:

[SAT NGT SPECIAL](#): 7:30PM - 12145 Laity Street, Maple Ridge.

[RECOVERING HEADS](#): 7:30 PM, Easy Does It Club, 7277 King George Blvd, Surrey

Discontinued Meetings:

Sunday:

[CEDAR AND SAGE WOMEN'S MEETING](#): - 9:30PM

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Tuesday:

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[ABC NOONER](#): - Noon, Kekinow Housing, 9537 Prince Charles Blvd, Surrey

Wednesday:

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Thursday:

[CEDAR AND SAGE WOMEN'S MEETING](#): - 9:30PM

[ANOTHER CHANCE](#): - 7:00PM EDI, 7277 King George Blvd, Surrey

Friday:

[CEDAR AND SAGE WOMEN'S MEETING](#): - 9:30PM

Saturday:

[GIT R DONE](#): - 7:30PM, EDI, 7277 King George Blvd, Sur

[CEDAR AND SAGE WOMEN'S MEETING](#): - 9:30PM

[GOOD FIGHT GROUP](#): - 1:00PM, St. Mary Magdalene, 2950 Laurel St., Van

[PATIENCE, LOVE AND TOLERANCE](#): - 8:00pm, Burnaby Fellowship Centre, 7638 6th St.

Upcoming Events

For a complete listing, check: www.vancouveraa.ca under events

Intergroup Events:

SEPTEMBER TBD:

SPONSORSHIP EVENT

NOVEMBER TBD:

CORRECTIONS LITERATURE ROUNDUP

DECEMBER TBD:

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATED EVENT

Events:

MARCH

Friday - Sunday, March 29 - 31

52nd: North Shore Roundup

1:00 pm Fri - 2:00 pm Sun

Vancouver Convention Centre, 999 Canada Pl, Van. Tickets

\$55 available at Central Office

MAY

Friday - Sunday, May 10 - 12

Western Canada Regional Forum

Vernon Lodge 3914 32nd St., Vernon, BC, Canada

Friday - Sunday, May 17 - 19

Kamloops 77th Annual Roundup: Unshakeable Foundation

4:00 pm Fri - 5:00 pm Sunday

Heffley Creek Hall 6995 Old Highway 5, Kamloops, BC

Friday - Sunday, May 24 - 26

Carry the Message

5:00 pm Friday - 10:00 pm Sunday

Oyama Hall 15710 Oyama Rd, Lake Country, BC

JUNE

Saturday, June 1

36th Annual Tri-Cities Spring Rally

12:00 pm - 11:00 pm

All Saints Parish 821 Fairfax St., Coquitlam, BC

Fill out the form at the [link here to submit](#) posters to be electronically mailed out in the newsletter or placed on our website. It must have be an A.A. event.

Area 79 BC/ Yukon Events:

Tuesday, April 2nd, 2024

Pre-Conference Assembly: Breakout Committees

7:00 pm— 9:00 pm

Friday, April 5th, 2024

2024 April Pre-Conference Assembly Weekend

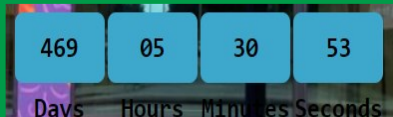
6:00 pm, April 5th —12pm, April 7th

2025 A.A. International:

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION 2024 MAILING LIST & UPDATES

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[Click here](#)
for countdown!



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Subcommittee Meeting Dates:

2024	Apr	May
Accessibilities @ 6:45PM	2nd	7th
Corrections @ 7:00PM	4th	2nd
C.P.C. @ 7:00PM	25th	23rd
Intergroup Meeting @ 7:30PM	16th	21st
Intergroup Orientation @ 7:00PM	16th	21st
Public Information @ 7:00PM	25th	23rd
Telephone Committee Mtg 7:00PM	9th	14th
Telephone Workshop 10AM	20th	18th
Treatment @ 6:00PM	8th	13th
Treatment Workshop @ 7:00PM	8th	13th

Meeting locations are in meeting list online and printed