

## Your District 9 Committee

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# District 9 Newsletter

## CARRYING THE AA MESSAGE

ONE  
DAY  
AT A  
TIME



### Everyone Welcome!

The next District 9 meeting will be held at the Friendship Hall  
located at 129 Charlotte Street, Sydney NS  
**Sunday, February 16th, 2pm.**

French Speaking Members here to help  
Les Alcooliques Anonymes

*Les 12 étapes des AA sont les principes du rétablissement personnel. Les 12 traditions garantissent l'unité du mouvement AA. Dans la municipalité régionale du Cap Breton, nous avons plus de 22 groupes AA qui se réunissent 29 fois chaque semaine. Si vous êtes nouveau dans la région de Sydney et vous désirez de l'aide pour arrêter de boire. Je vous invite à communiquer avec Monty au 902-577-7348 afin d'obtenir de l'aide en français.*

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**AA's Responsibility Statement:** I am responsible when anyone anywhere reaches out for help, I want the hand of AA to be there and for that I am responsible.

# What's NEW?

**Gratitude in Action:** Bring your passions for recovery to our community through AA Service, our third side of the triangle. No experience needed, just come as you are! Join us at the next District meeting February 16th to ask questions and get involved.

## February Events & Recognitions

- ❖ Don, 8years - Iona Group - February 10th, 7pm
- ❖ CERAASA Service Assembly - February 21-23  
Dartmouth, NS
- ❖ 45th Annual Round Up - Feb 28-March 2,  
Dartmouth NS

## AA History for February

Chair

Submitted by: George M. Area 82

Date	Historical Tidbit
Feb. 02 1942	Bill W. pays tribute to AA's first paid Secretary, Ruth Hock, who had personally written over 15,000 letters to alcoholics seeking help
08 1940	Bill W., Dr. Bob and 6 other AAs asked 60 rich friends of J.D. Rockefeller for money – they got \$2,000
09 2002	Sue Smith Windows, Dr. Bob's daughter, died
12 1945	The World War II paper shortage forced a reduction in size of the Big Book
14 1971	AA Groups worldwide held a memorial service for Bill Wilson
18 1943	AAs were granted the right to use cars for 12 <sup>th</sup> step work in emergency cases, despite gas rationing
19 1967	Father "John Doe" (Ralph Pfau), the first Catholic AA priest, died
21 1939	400 copies of the Big Book were sent to Doctors, Judges, Psychiatrists and others for their comments
No date 1938	Rockefeller gave \$5,000 to AA
No date 1939	Dr. Harry Tiebout, endorsed AA, the first psychiatrist to do so
No date 1940	The first AA Clubhouse opened in New York
No date 1951	Fortune magazine article about AA was published in pamphlet form
No date 1959	AA granted "Recording for the Blind" permission to tape the Big Book
No date 1963	Harpers magazine carried an article critical of AA
No date 1981	The 1 <sup>st</sup> issue of "Markings", AA Archives Newsletter was published, "to give the fellowship a sense of its own past and the opportunity to study it"
<b>Bill Wilson Quote: "Indecision with the passage of time, becomes decision."</b>	

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

2025 Mid-Winter Round Up Committee is looking for volunteers for event set-up, registration, canteen and more.

Contact Scott P.  
for details at  
posie24@gmail.com  
or  
902-476-6089

## AA on the Inside

Our Corrections Committee is looking for AA male volunteers to help share the message of hope to our members on 'the inside'. Currently we are bringing two meetings a month to the facility, and hope to bring one per week. Eligible candidates will need to complete the corrections application including a passed a criminal record check.

For more information on the application process, contact Monty C at (902) 577 7348  
monty056@hotmail.com.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- ✓ Sydney Mid-Winter Round Up  
March 7-9, 2025. Poster inside.
- ✓ Area 82 Service Weekends
  - Nfld - May 9-11
  - NS - May 30-June 1

## AA CONTACT INFORMATION

### DISTRICT 9: Cape Breton Regional Municipality

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### AA World Services

For general AA information, full list of literature, group registration information and more visit [www.aa.org](http://www.aa.org).



**Al-Anon** is a mutual support program for people whose lives have been affected by someone else's drinking. By sharing common experiences and applying the Al-Anon principles, families and friends of alcoholics can bring positive changes to their individual situations, whether or not the alcoholic admits the existence of a drinking problem or seeks help. **Alateen**, a part of the Al-Anon Family Groups, is a fellowship of young people (mostly teenagers) whose lives have been affected by someone else's drinking whether they are in your life drinking or not. By attending Alateen, teenagers meet other teenagers with similar situations. Alateen is not a religious program and there are no fees or dues to belong to it. Visit [www.al-anonmaritimes.ca](http://www.al-anonmaritimes.ca) for more information or call 902-564-5188.

### Looking for Chips & Medallions?

Jerry Nicholson @  
506-292-3265 or  
[jnmedallions@gmail.com](mailto:jnmedallions@gmail.com)

or Larry @  
587-717-9049

Cape Breton Regional District Area 82, District 9

Alcoholics Anonymous

Mid-Winter Round-Up

2025 hosted in Sydney, NS



March 7, 8, 9, 2025

*“Keep it Simple”*

Maupeltuewey Kina'matno'kuom School  
171 Tupsi Drive, Sydney NS

Join us for a weekend of recovery & fellowship with A.A. & Al-Anon speakers, open meetings, workshops, Friday night 'sing & jam session', and a Saturday night dance included with your admission. Dinner ticket purchased separately. Everyone welcome!

**Registration starts**  
Friday March 7 @ 5pm

**3-Day Admission \$25**  
includes coffee, tea,  
sandwiches & sweets

**Saturday Dinner**  
**ticket \$30**

Available for purchase  
before March 1st.

For more information or to purchase tickets  
contact Chair, Scott P 902-476-6089 or [posie24@gmail.com](mailto:posie24@gmail.com)

**FRIDAY**

11:00 a.m. (CD) Friday Fellowship Group  
St Theresa's Church  
381 Whitney Ave, Sydney

8:00 p.m. (CD) Glace Bay Alano  
Rear 10 McKeen Street  
(OS) Last Friday of Month

8:00 p.m. (CD) Westside Group  
Spanish River Seniors  
1840 Kings Rd., Sydney River  
(OS) First Friday of Month

**SATURDAY**

10:30 a.m. (CBB) Big Book Study  
10 McKeen St., Glace Bay

11:00 a.m. (CD) Way of Life  
55 Inglis Street, Sydney

8:00 p.m. (OS) Arcano Group  
401 Ling St., New Waterford

**SYDNEY**

AA Help Line..... 902-562-8019  
Bernie ..... 902-202-4084

**GLACE BAY AREA**

Brian P. .... 902-565-2078  
Dan L. .... 902-322-0448

**NEW WATERFORD**

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**ESKASONI**

Vince..... 902-578-2780  
Bo ..... 902-919-3732

**NORTHSIDE**

Monty ..... 902-577-7348

**BARRACHOIS to IONA**

Joe..... 902-317-3777

**FRENCH SPEAKING**

Monty..... 902-577-7348

**Declaration of Unity**

This we owe to AA's future: to place our  
common welfare first; to keep our  
Fellowship united. For on AA unity  
depends our lives, and the lives of  
those to come.

You're not alone.

**MEETING  
SCHEDULE  
DISTRICT 9**

Cape Breton Regional  
Municipality

January 2025



**2025-26 District 9 Committee**  
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**I Am Responsible...**

When anyone, anywhere, reaches out  
for help, I want the hand of A.A. always  
to be there. And for that, I am  
responsible.

**Legend**

- BB** Big Book Study
- CD** Closed Discussion
- CS** Closed Speaker
- OD** Open Discussion
- OS** Open Speaker

**SUNDAY**

- 11:00 a.m. (CD) Glace Bay Alano  
10 McKeen St, Glace Bay
- 11:00 a.m. (CD) Sydney Mines Group  
55 King St, Sydney Mines  
(Behind Post Office)
- 7:00 p.m. (CD) Sydney Central Group  
Loaves & Fishes  
139 Charlotte St, Sydney
- 8:00 p.m. (CS) Glace Bay Alano  
10 McKeen St, Glace Bay  
(OS) Last Sunday of Month

**TUESDAY**

- 11:00 a.m. (CD) 12+12 Group  
St. Theresa's Church (Rear)  
381 Whitney Ave, Sydney
- 7:00 p.m. Step Meeting - Bring Big Book  
10 McKeen St, Glace Bay
- 7:00 p.m. (CD) Lifeline Group  
St. Joseph's Church  
34 Archibald Ave, North Sydney
- 8:00 p.m. (OS) Dominion Sandbar Group  
14 Gatto St., Dominion

**WEDNESDAY**

- 11:00 a.m. (CD) Glace Bay Alano  
10 McKeen St, Glace Bay
- 7:00 p.m. (CD) Boisdale Serenity  
3810 Grand Narrows Hwy,  
Boisdale (Fire Hall)
- 8:00 p.m. (CD) Arcano Group  
401 Ling St, New Waterford
- 8:00 p.m. (OS) Praying Hands Group  
Mikmaw Lodge  
70 Gabriel St., Eskasoni
- 8:00 p.m. (C BB) Back 2 Basics  
TW Curry Centre  
400 George St, Sydney

**THURSDAY**

- 11:00 a.m. (CD) Friends of Bill Group  
St. Theresa's Church (Rear)  
381 Whitney Ave,  
Sydney
- 7:30 p.m. (CD) Membertou Group  
113-B Membertou St,  
Membertou Senior Centre
- 8:00 p.m. (CD) Reserve Midway Group  
ZOOM Meeting  
ID: 845 1060 2831  
Password: 040328
- 8:00 p.m. (CS) Sydney Mines Group  
55 King St, Sydney Mines  
(OS) Last Thursday of Month

**MONDAY**

- 10:30 a.m. (CD) Arcano Group  
401 Ling St, New Waterford
- 7:00 p.m. (OD) Iona 12 & 12 Group  
2516 St Columbia Rd, Iona
- 8:00 p.m. (CD) Reserve Midway  
10 McKeen St, Glace Bay

*Find a list of all Area 82  
meetings at [area82aa.org](http://area82aa.org) or download  
AA Meeting Guide App (scan QR code)*



**"God, grant me**

**the serenity** to accept the  
things I cannot change, the  
**courage** to change the things  
I can, and the **wisdom** to  
know the difference."

**For all meeting changes or  
to order more schedules call  
District Committee Member  
Peter at 902-562-8019**