



NOVA SCOTIA ~ SERVICE WEEKEND June 12, 13, 2020

District 9 DCM Report ~~ Basil MacLean

Good morning friends, my name is Basil MacLean and I am an alcoholic. I have the privilege of serving District 9 as a trusted servant, in the DCM position.

District 9 covers all areas governed by the CBRM. We have 24 groups with 34 meetings per week. We host meetings in Sydney, New Waterford, Glace Bay, Dominion, Reserve Mines, Louisbourg, Eskasoni, Membertou, Sydney Mines, North Sydney, Sydney River, Boisdale and Iona. Our monthly District meetings are held on the third Sunday of each month with normally 60% of GSR's participating. This however has diminished considerably due to the restrictions placed on us by our Health Care Department. Our District Meeting opens with the reading of the Tradition corresponding to the month. After a short discussion, the regular business begins.

Our Alternate DCM Joe Williams, Secretary Peter Marshe, and treasurer Monty Charland continue to provide valuable support and guidance to the district, and to me personally, and for that I thank them sincerely.

Our PI/CPC Committee and Corrections Committee have been somewhat dormant since Covid 19 took hold. However they have participated in the online world of Area 82 committee meetings. We believe this to be a very beneficial service.

Zoom Meetings are now the normal routine around the AA world. I have personally attended many over the past months, and they are doing a very valuable service in our communities. No one believes them to be as good as our well known face to face meetings, but I can see where they can have a very distinct place, in our lives going forward. One meeting I attended, where an elderly gentleman spoke very highly of them. He said that he didn't get to many meetings in the past, as he didn't drive at night and was reliant on someone stopping in to pick him up. He then boasted "Now I can get a meeting every night if I want one".

In closing, I want to express my gratitude to the never ending work of Kirk, Trudy, Monique and Gerry for your tireless dedication to Area 82, and your initiative for taking us through these on-line meetings.

Yours in Love and Service:
Basil M, DCM District 9

*"When Anyone, Anywhere, Reaches out for Help
I want the Hand of AA Always to be there. And for that I am Responsible"*