

HOPE HIGHWAY

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR AL-ANON SOUTH AUSTRALIA



AREA COMMITTEE DATES

- 10am, Saturday 1st November (*followed by shared lunch*)
- 10am, Sunday 16th November (*Election Assembly*)

Meetings in Al-Anon SA office
Level 2, 25 Leigh St, Adelaide.

AA CONVENTION 2026

The 60th AA Convention with Al-Anon and Alateen participation will be held on the Gold Coast.

1st to 4th May 2026

Earlybird Tickets Available

Click below for Info:

[AA Convention 2026](#)

ELECTION ASSEMBLY

This is an election year for Al-Anon SA.

Service positions are rotated every three years.

See below for list of service positions available!



THE LEGACIES - OCTOBER

Step 10 – Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it.

Tradition 10 – Al-Anon Family Groups have no opinion on outside issues; hence our name ought never be drawn into public controversy.

Concept 10 - Service responsibility is balanced by carefully defined service authority and double-headed management is avoided.

EVENTS

Spring Fair

26 Jetty Road, Brighton

Saturday 11th October

9am to 2pm

Festive fun for all the family with a sausage sizzle, refreshments, and face painting for (big) and little kids 😊. Be pampered with healthy smoothies and lavender hand massages. Find a treasure amongst woodworking, craft, plants, books, toys and white elephant stalls - there's something for everyone.



THE SPRING FAIR

is Al-Anon's annual fundraiser, generating much needed funds to support Al-Anon activities in South Australia.

If you would like to help, set up time is on Friday 10th October between 5pm to 7pm. On Saturday access to the Hall is 8am to 4pm. We are particularly looking for assistance with heavier tasks during set up and pack down. For further information please leave a message for Daisy - Special Functions Coordinator at the Al-Anon Office 8231 2959.

We are truly grateful for the service and support given by our generous stall holders: Brighton Group for cuppas & snacks, Darlia & Kilburn Group for Book stall, Angie & team for White Elephant stall, Rose & Elizabeth Day Group for Plant stall, Mary & Bill for Crafty Woodwork & Toys, Jeff & Supporters for Sausage Sizzle, Renata & Team for Smoothies, Health & Wellbeing, Mary for Face Painting.

AA SOUTH AUSTRALIA

AA South Australia have several events coming up, many with Al-Anon and Alateen participation. For information see here: [AA Events](#)



Kadina Group & Para Districts Port Hughes Rally AA with Al-Anon & Alateen participation. 28 – 30 November 2025. A weekend of Meetings, Food, Fellowship, Games Night, Auction, Meditations and Yoga & Fun in the sun! Please see the [flyer](#) for more details including pricing and payment information, or contact Bee 0420 438 145 or Ash 0406 220 119. Book early to assist with catering. Please note Al-Anon meetings will be held at this event.

STIRLING PATHS TO ABUNDANCE 17TH ANNIVERSARY MEETING



Please join the AL-ANON **PATHS TO ABUNDANCE**, Stirling Meeting, to celebrate their 17th Anniversary. There will be an AA speaker, a raffle, lunch and fellowship to follow.

Where: **Sunset Rock Uniting Church**
40 Spencer Street, Stirling

When: **Saturday 22nd November 2025**
10 am to 1pm

Lunch provided for a \$5.00 donation (fund raiser)



INFORMATION

Austra-Link is Al-Anon Australia's monthly newsletter. If you would like to receive a copy via email please contact the Al-Anon national office on office@al-anon.org.au

If you would like to order a hard copy please complete the subscription form here: [Austra-Link](#)

Hope Highway is Al-Anon SA's monthly newsletter. Submissions are due by the 25th of each month. To subscribe or make a submission please email: newslettersaalanon@outlook.com

Al-Anon has a range of conference approved literature, including flyers such as 'Did you grow up with a problem drinker', the 'Joy of Service' and booklet 'Families Facing Alcoholism, there is hope'. Available to download for free from the Al-Anon Australia website <https://al-anon.org.au/free-downloads/>

VALE LAURENE

Laurene E, a member of the Elizabeth group passed away very suddenly in August. The group met to pay tribute to Laurene where they remembered the gifts she brought to Al-Anon. She was a member for around 30 years, mostly at Tea Tree Gully and Elizabeth groups. She was very active in service to Al-Anon, serving as an Alateen sponsor for many years. She was also a regular office volunteer and has often acted as a GR and group Secretary for her home groups. She was a natural PI person who talked about Al-Anon whenever and wherever she had the opportunity. The packed room at her funeral demonstrated that Al-Anon was only one of the groups that had been influenced by her sincere love and kindness. She was exuberant and enthusiastic and will be remembered for her attitude of gratitude. She will be sadly missed by many of our members in South Australia. She was a friend to all, had a very big heart, never had a bad word to say about anyone and was so much fun to be with.



Goodbye dear friend



THE GIFT OF SERVICE



We take this opportunity to thank all outgoing service members for their work and contribution to ensuring Al-Anon and Alateen SA continues to support families and friends of those affected by alcohol. With love and gratitude. Thank you!

ELECTION ASSEMBLY



It's Election year for the Al-Anon SA Area!!

As part of a three-year rotation, there will be an election assembly on Sunday 16th November in the SA Al-Anon offices, Level 2, 25 Leigh St, Adelaide.

At the election assembly, current service members will be stepping down from their positions on the [SA Area Service Committee](#) and [Association Committee](#) as their terms of office are now complete. Some may decide to take on another term of service in their current role, but all service positions on the Committees and for [Group Reps](#) and [District Reps](#) will be declared vacant and new ones need to be elected. Committee members will begin their three-year period of service from 1st January 2026.

Each group needs to elect a new Group Rep prior to the Election Assembly, as the Group Reps must vote on behalf of their Groups to fill the incoming service positions. This is why it is so important that each Group is represented at the Assembly by a Group Rep. If your Group does not have one, it is most important that the Group elect a member to represent them at the Assembly. There is only one vote per Group, so you need to have your say! N.B. Only Group members can vote for their GR and only the GRs within the 3 Districts are able to vote for the District Rep in their District.

Service Positions are 3-year terms and are a vital part of Al-Anon as a whole, and for your personal recovery. Please consider offering to take on one of the many and varied roles that need to be filled. For detailed position statements click this here: [SA Position Descriptions](#)

[Alateen Coordinator](#) – If you have a heart for helping children affected by someone's else's drinking this role might be for you.

[Archives Coordinator](#) – This role would suit you if you love history as it involves preserving Al-Anon SA history through records from Groups, and special events.

Membership Services/Technology Support – This is a newer position and would be interesting for those among us who love to work with technology eg. recently we investigated an alternative to using ZOOM for committee meetings. You also check that the website information for SA is accurate and arrange for any changes needed.

Literature Coordinator - Love to read Al-Anon Literature? If this is you, as Literature Coordinator you hear first about the new CAL being produced and let members know. It also involves ordering CAL for members and Groups.

Newsletter Coordinator – This role involves putting together the monthly newsletter using input from members about what is happening in Al-Anon in SA, including anniversaries, fundraising etc. Newsletters are mainly distributed online. Training is available to support this.

Public Information Coordinator – This role coordinates a team of helpers, to connect with the community and professionals about Al-Anon. If you have the time, this role will suit you. There is lots of information prepared by the national office to help – the website, poster, speakers for events etc.

Special Functions Coordinator – This is an important role for Al-Anon SA as it involves organising the Groups to participate in the annual Spring Fair - our major fundraiser for the year. Other events are arranged throughout the year such as the picnic at Semaphore. If you have ideas for events to bring members from across Adelaide together for fun and fellowship, then this role might be for you.

Office Coordinator – This role is making sure that the membership has access to information needed to run their meetings through the CAL sold in the office, information about our insurances, the Guidelines (also available online), and often being the first point of contact with people suffering the effects of another's drinking. This includes organizing the office hours and after-hours phone.

Group Representative and District Representative – These positions are part of the SA Area Service Committee. There are detailed position descriptions for these roles. [The Al-Anon Service Handbook](#) is an excellent resource that explains how Group Reps and District Reps link to Al-Anon as a whole and what service involves. [Click link to download pdf version - Available NOW:](#)

Interested, but want more information...

We want to make service easy and are here to help. If you'd like to chat to the person currently serving in the position you're interested in, please call the SA office (08 82312959) and they will put you in touch.

The SA Area Association Committee manages the legal affairs of SA Al-Anon Area Inc. The Association is the incorporated body legally responsible for Al-Anon Family Groups in the Area. The members of the Association Committee also participate in the Assembly. The membership votes at the Assembly for the people to fill positions on this Committee. President, Treasurer, Vice-President, Secretary and Four General Members. If you are interested in joining this Committee, contact the Office for more information and for the Nomination Forms that are needed.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS
SOUTH AUSTRALIA

NAPPERBY CAMP

116 GULF VIEW RD, NAPPERBY
12 PM OCTOBER 3RD - 12 PM OCTOBER 6TH



WITH ALANON AND ALATEEN PARTICIPATION
PROCEEDS TO C.S.O. OFFICE

Auction / Raffle / Traditions Meeting

ADULTS: 1 NIGHT \$45, 2 NIGHTS \$75, 3 NIGHTS \$100
DAY RATE: \$35
UNDER 16: 1/2 PRICE
UNDER 5: NO CHARGE

DIRECT DEPOSIT: BSB: 065 115 A/C: 00902824
REF: NAPPERBY CAMP (NAMES OF PEOPLE BEING PAID FOR)

BOOKING: MICHEAL 0415508003
BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL FOR CATERING PURPOSES

BOOK FOR DORMS *ONLY 38 BUNKS*
BRING OWN YOUR TOWELS, BEDDING, ETC
PLENTY OF CAMP SITES - NO POWERED SITES