



Great Britain

Welcome to Board News

Welcome to the newsletter which is issued after each meeting of the National Service Board of OA in Great Britain, to let you know what we do and to encourage communication and service.

Our OAGB finances

A number of financial decisions were taken by the Board at our January meeting after the Board were presented with a clear statement of our current financial position.

Thank you to all our groups and intergroups for your contributions to date.

Contributions along the chain

We have been able to make immediate one off payments to WSO of £10,000 and Region 9 of £2,000, and increase our quarterly standing orders over the next 2 years to WSO to £250/quarter and to Region 9 to £500/quarter.

Online literature sales... great news on P&P

With the launch of the sale of literature online via our own OAGB website very close, we're very excited to let the fellowship know that we have agreed to absorb the cost of postage, packing and handling (within the UK) into the individual cost of items.

This means that the price of an item is the price you or your group will pay. In anticipation of an increase in sales we have also agreed to keep prices the same for the time-being, rather than having to increase them the additional cost. This change will take effect as soon as we go live with web sales, and with the new postal order form which will be sent out around the end of February 2010.

The launch will be announced on the [website](#), and via the Email Distribution List

Work all 12 Steps in a weekend... support fund

See below for our exciting 'Work all 12 Steps in a weekend' announcement. We're pleased to announce that there is a support fund set up for OA members who..

Public awareness campaign

We've set aside some funds to look into a public awareness campaign. The next step the Board is undertaking is to pull together...

Work All 12 Steps in a Weekend

The NSB are currently organising a weekend workshop during which you'll be able to work all 12 Steps. The weekend will be facilitated by experienced OA members. The proposed weekend is Friday 29 – Sunday 31 October 2010, and will take place at the University of East Anglia, Norwich. We are looking into the possibility of helping to fund some members to attend this.

> *If you'd like to receive a flyer / email / next steps / £ cost please email Maureen on public.information@oagb.org.uk*

World Service Business Conference 2010

Our WSBC Delegate, Melanie will be travelling to the 2010 Conference in Albuquerque, New Mexico "Half a Century = One World of Growth" from April 26 - May 1, 2010. Mel's report will be on our website oagb.org.uk after the conference and we'll also report back in the next issue of Board News in May.

> *Interested in reading more on the WSBC 2011? Follow this link to the WSO webpage*

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NSB meetings 2010

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[Google Map Link](#)

- NSB mtg; Sat 24 April
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Intergroup Chair's meeting: New date confirmed

The new date for the Intergroup Chair's NSB meeting is **Saturday 26th June 2010**.

Step-by-Step: Special 50th Anniversary issue

As part of our 50th Anniversary Celebrations, the Board will be producing a special issue of Step-by-Step, available to download from the website. Requests for contributions will be soon going out via our Email Distribution List, so if you haven't signed up yet please send an email to email.list@oagb.org.uk

National Assembly 2010 update

Keeping you updated on the National Assembly this year in Glasgow

National Assembly theme

In recognition of OA's 50th Anniversary, this year's theme will be "I put my hand in yours".

New: National Assembly workshops

On the Friday evening, NSB Officers will be running 2x 45 minute sessions of workshops alongside our Parliamentarian workshop.

National Assembly dates from 2011 onwards

To allow the Board the time after our financial Year End to fully prepare, review & make informed financial decisions, the date of the National Assembly from 2011 has been put back 1 week. The new date in 2011 is 21st-23rd October.

> [Click here for the dates for 2012-2014](#)

Delegate assistance fund

Just a reminder to all groups, that OAGB have a Delegate Assistance fund to aid those groups struggling to send a NSB Representative to 2010 National Assembly.

> *If your group is interested in applying for this fund, please contact John our treasurer (treasurer@oagb.org.uk)*

Fancy joining the Board this year?

Why not come along to one of our Board meetings this year and see us in action! Our next meeting is on Saturday 24 April at our new venue at the Queen's Club in London. If you have over one year's abstinence, have held a service position above group level and work the Steps and Traditions, please considering standing for the Board.

➤ *If you just want further information, please contact Joanna. (chair@oagb.org.uk)*

Since our last meeting in January

We have with regret accepted the resignations of two of our Board members – Karen Lilleyman and Rosemary Wilson. We send them our heartfelt thanks to them for their service to date. We are now in a position to co-opt two members to complete the year till October 2010. As both were from South and East IG, we are firstly asking that IG if they have anyone to put forward, if not we will contact all IG's. Please consider this at your next meeting; we will need to have any applications by our next meeting on April 24th.

➤ *If you want further information, please contact Joanna. (chair@oagb.org.uk)*

And finally...

On behalf of the National Service Board we'd like to wish you a wonderful start to 2010

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