



OA MELBOURNE INTERGROUP INCLUDING REGIONAL VICTORIA
AND TASMANIA INVITES YOU TO THE

MARCH SHAREATHON 2025 + BIANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

16th of March 2025, 9.30am AEST

“Focus on recovery: the 9th step promises”

In person: Elwood and St Kilda Early Learning Centre, 87
Tennyson Street, Elwood, VIC, Australia 3184

Online: Zoom Meeting ID 548 1950 9447, Password 693698

*For more information, or to volunteer your
service, please contact Hana on 0416 531 224.*



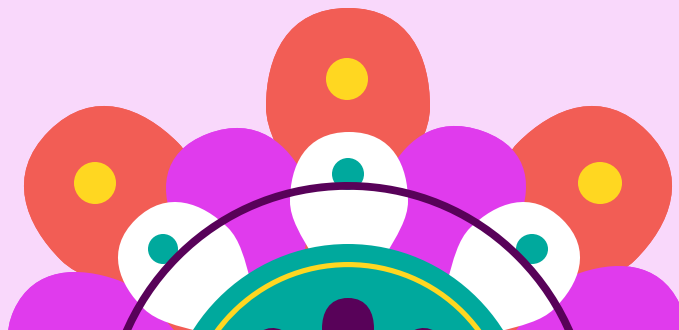
Low entry fee: \$20 (or what you can afford). *Payment by cash or bank transfer to BSB: 033-067, Acc No: 144309 (please use "Shareathon" as your payment reference).*

♦ *Newcomers & old timers welcome* ♦ *Come for the day, half day or an hour!* ♦
Browse & purchase literature ♦ *Complimentary hot beverages provided* ♦

SHAREATHON PROGRAM

Topic: "Focus on recovery: The 9th step promises"

- 9.30am **Welcome and settle in**
- 9.40am **Be amazed! New freedom and new happiness.** *Speakers and Q&A. Simple guidance to get you amazed.*
- 10.30am **Break**
- 10.45am **We are valuable! (Me? Who says? How?).** *Guest speakers & sharing on service and traditions.*
- 11.35am **Break**
- 11.45am **Melbourne Intergroup Biannual General Meeting.** *Melbourne Intergroup elections. Maybe a surprise!*
- 12.30pm **Lunch.** *Catch up, seek a sponsor, shop literature ...*
- 1.30pm **Attitude revamp!** *A workshop (and maybe more surprises ...)*
- 2.30pm **Break**
- 2.45pm **Fears – gone!** *Speakers & sharing.*
- 3.30pm **Closing and contact gathering**





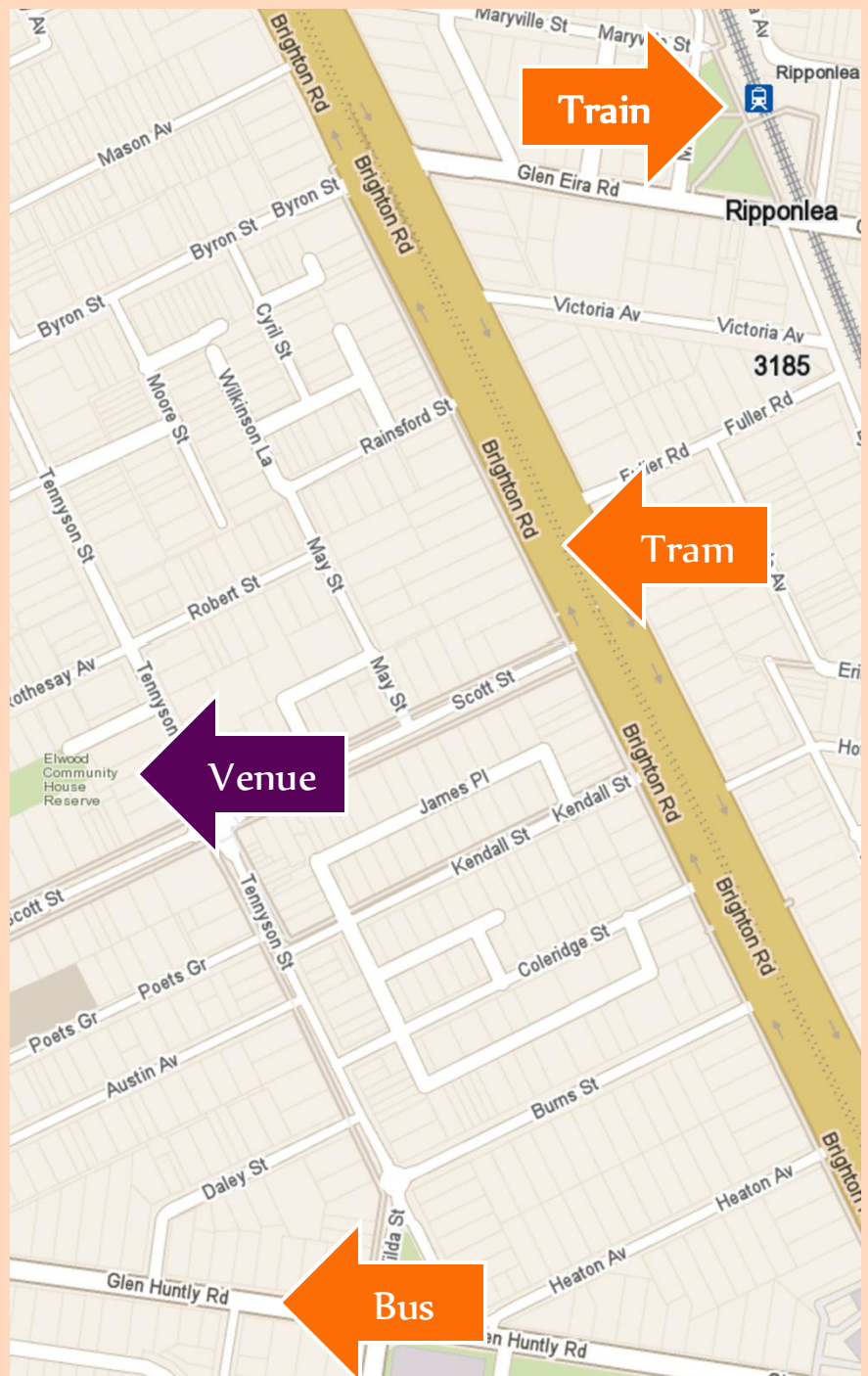
VENUE INFORMATION

The shareathon is being held at the Elwood and St Kilda Early Learning Centre, 87 Tennyson Street, Elwood. Wheelchair accessible with disabled facilities.

Parking: street parking only. Please take careful note of parking signs, time limits, and restrictions.

Public transport options

- **Bus:** Number 246 (get off at Glenhuntly Road / Tennyson Street corner) (5min walk).
- **Tram:** Number 67 (get off at stop 40, corner of Scott St / Brighton Rd). (5 min walk). Walk down Scott Street, then turn right at Tennyson Street.
- **Train:** Sandringham Line, get off at Ripponlea Station on Glen Eira Road (10 min walk).



THE 9TH STEP PROMISES

“If we are painstaking about this phase of our development, we will be amazed before we are half way through. We are going to know a new freedom and a new happiness. We will not regret the past nor wish to shut the door on it. We will comprehend the word serenity and we will know peace. No matter how far down the scale we have gone, we will see how our experience can benefit others. That feeling of uselessness and self pity will disappear. We will lose interest in selfish things and gain interest in our fellows. Self-seeking will slip away. Our whole attitude and outlook upon life will change. Fear of people and of economic insecurity will leave us. We will intuitively know how to handle situations which used to baffle us. We will suddenly realize that God is doing for us what we could not do for ourselves.

“Are these extravagant promises? We think not. They are being fulfilled among us—sometimes quickly, sometimes slowly. They will always materialize if we work for them.”

- From the AA Big Book, page 83 -

(The AA Big Book makes many promises, including promises of what will happen after we complete certain steps (such as the 9th step promises above). Some of the main promises in the AA Big Book can be found at

[https://www.gatehousesobercommunity.com/the-promises-of-a-a-more-than-just-the-9th-step-promises/.](https://www.gatehousesobercommunity.com/the-promises-of-a-a-more-than-just-the-9th-step-promises/))

BI-ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Bi-annual General Meeting of Melbourne Intergroup is a chance to hear about Intergroup's activities during the previous 6 months and elect Intergroup service positions. All OA members are encouraged to attend and to consider the opportunities for recovery through service.

March BAGM Positions up for Election	Abstinence requirement	Term of service
Chairperson (E)	3 months, preferably 6	12 months
Secretary (E)	3 months, preferably 6	12 months
Region Ten Rep (E) x 2	12 months	2 years
Public Information and Professional Outreach (PIPO)	3 months, preferably 6	12 months
Minutes taker/distributor	Commitment to abstinence	12 months
Events Committee Coordinator	3 months, preferably 6	12 months
2025 Convention Committee Coordinator	Commitment to abstinence	Until post-event
September Shareathon Committee Coordinator	Commitment to abstinence	handover

Vacant positions up for election (acting until September 2025)*

Vice Chair (E)	3 months, preferably 6	"Acting" until
Region Ten Rep (E) x 1	12 months	September 2025
World Service Business Conference Delegate (E)	12 months	shareathon

***Vacant positions**

Should a position become vacant mid-term, a member may be voted in to casually fill the vacant position (Acting Position Holder). The position will be held until the end of that term of office when the position will be open to nominations. The member who acted in the position is eligible to nominate for the position and the period in which they acted will not be deducted from their first term. A person chosen to fill any vacancy among the Executive Officers will meet the qualifications.

(E) Executive Committee position

Qualifications for Executive office:

- Demonstrating faithful adherence to the Twelve Steps of OA, the Twelve Traditions of OA and the Twelve Concepts of OA service for at least 12 months
- And a member of an active group for a period of at least 6 months, preferably 12 months
- To be or have been an Intergroup Representative and/or a Committee Co-ordinator for at least 6 months, preferably 12 months

And having at least 3 months, preferably 6 months current and continuous abstinence.

