

What Group Reps Should Know About Intergroup

1. New Hampshire Intergroup usually meets on the first Sunday of the month September through June. See the meeting schedule for more details and directions.
2. There is a 45 minute open Traditions meeting at 1:00 p.m. prior to the business meeting. We encourage reps to attend and support that meeting if possible.
3. The minutes and committee reports are sent to reps via email in order to allow time to read them and be prepared with any corrections or questions.
4. Plan to arrive for the business meeting 10-15 minutes early to allow time to get settled.
5. “The intergroup representative represents the group in tasks undertaken jointly with other groups in the area and tries to keep the group well-informed about the jobs the local intergroup is doing” (p.14 OA Handbook for Members, Groups and Intergroups). Consequently, you are encouraged to take notes during the business meeting so that you can report back to your meeting.
6. Intergroup maintains a website www.oanewhampshire.org that is a valuable resource for group reps and other OA members. In the Administrative section, you will find information which is exclusively for Intergroup reps. For the Restricted section, the username is “service” and the password is “serenity”. To keep them straight, remember that from service comes serenity.
7. If there are issues or concerns your group wishes to raise at the intergroup business meeting, contact the chairperson prior to the meeting day so that they can be added to the NHI agenda.
8. Bring another group member to the meeting with you. OA visitors and group alternate reps do not have a vote, but they do have a voice. It’s a great way to introduce someone to service above the group level.
9. Your full participation in the business meeting is expected and encouraged. If you have any questions, doubts, opinions, input, don’t be afraid to speak up. This is particularly important if you are confused concerning a motion you are about to vote on. Chances are that someone else has the same questions, and others can benefit from the responses.
10. As a group rep or alternate group rep, we encourage you to serve on an Intergroup committee. So much more can be accomplished when everyone assumes an active role. If there is a particular committee you are interested in working on, please contact the chair of that committee. Current committees are:
 - Newsletter (The Promises)
 - Event Flyer Committee
 - Public Information
 - Retreats
 - Sharathons
 - Back to Basics
 - Ways and Means
 - Budget
 - Website
 - Designated Downloader
 - Unity Day
 - Twelfth Step Within
 - Answering Service