

VA Area District Representative Report

District Name and Number: New River Valley, District 13

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Informational Items:

- District business meeting attendance down since shifting to phone/Zoom
 - Used to be 8-10 people and quarterly, now ~3 and semi-annually
- Many group reps needing to step down/ rotate off but in our small, rural groups we have few people who have gone through the steps (therefore eligible to be GR)
- Closed two groups due to low attendance in late 2019, but started a new one in Fancy Gap, VA.
- Low attendance across the district due to COVID. Many members are feeling disconnected.
- Initiated monthly open AA/Al Anon speaker meetings with ~10-15 in attendance
- Waiting to see what summer brings for meeting openings
- Steady number of newcomers reaching out, not great retention on Zoom.