

S.I. Rhyl and District

Due to the complexity of the design for the Insignia it was decided to have it professionally machine embroidered by ID Uniforms of Hoylake.

We then had to provide a vector template of exactly what we wanted to scale, this took some preparation to get the insignia the right size with the features visible and we left off the Club name from the outer edge as we had already embroidered the name of the club on the opposite side.



The original insignia was designed by Miss Evelyn Homer Becket and was made by Toyne Kenning and Spencer Ltd, London at their branch in Birmingham who make the regalia and over the years care for and repair the item.

Si Rhyl and District was founded on the 12th April 1968 with a small committee and President Mrs Gwen Charles Jones.

1st Vice President Evelyn Homer Becket

2nd Vice President Mrs Mary Trevor Owen

Also sometimes referred to as senior and junior Vice President.

The bridge on the insignia design is the Blue Fforyd Bridge in Rhyl which goes over the river Clwyd and the Castle is the Rhuddlan Castle - both important landmarks in what was then the Club boundaries - it depicts the sea and the boat yard.

The Charter was presented to Mrs Gwen Charles Jones at a ceremony in the Library at Rhyl Grammar school in 1968 attended by many local dignitaries

Originally the insignia was attached by a blue braid ribbon with silver discs mounted by each President's name as they took office. This was later replaced by a silver chain designed by Mrs Mary Edwards, an artist, and paid for by past presidents in approx. 1980.

The actual insignia has remained unchanged. Each President of the Club on retiring from office receives a similar copy made of gilt which can be worn as a pendant on a braid ribbon or as a brooch.

On joining the Soroptimist organisation we were members of North West Division which stretched from Wrexham to Carlisle, then the Division was re-organised into three Divisional Unions and we eventually became a member of the Cheshire North Wales and Wirral Region

Our Mother Club is Denbigh and District

Grandmother Wrexham and Great Grandmother Liverpool.

Yvonne Johns