

REGION MEMBERSHIP AND DEVELOPMENT

Club	Members 30-06-25	Joined	Left	Net	Members 03-09-26
CNWW	228	0	0	0	220
Anglesey	24	0	0	0	24
Bangor & District	23	0	0	0	21
Bebington	18	0	0	0	12
Chester	11	0	0	0	5
Heswall & District	33	0	0	0	32
Llandudno & District	29	0	0	0	30
Nantwich & District	18	0	0	0	19
Northwich & District	14	0	0	0	16
Rhyl & District	18	0	0	0	21
Runcorn	15	0	0	0	16
S Caernarvonshire	25	0	0	0	24

Plus 4 Associate Members: Anne MacDonald OBE, Dot Cartwright MBE, Susan Jones and Sue Taylor

Membership

At a previous Region Meeting, Melynda organised a 'dating' style activity which looked at Membership and Programme Action. As a result of that, I will follow up on three priorities identified by members for membership.

1. **Members handbooks for new members.** I will provide a generic handbook which Clubs can use to populate for their own specific information.
2. **10 good reasons to join.** This will be a Region leaflet, probably in English and Welsh. To be used at venues for promotion. I will produce.
3. **Business cards with a 20 second elevator pitch.** An explanation of what is a Soroptimist. To be produced by Ceri McGrath and myself.

Development

The Friendship link with South Lancashire, North West England and Isle of Man and CNWW met and decided not to be put off by the cancellation of the boat trip. The plan

now is to organise a joint trip to a neolithic site in Liverpool called Lunt Meadow, probably around Eastertime. This offers an indoor space, a café, a sensory garden, walks and good mobility access. Once ideas are concluded and prices attained, the Region will be invited to participate.

Members of CNWW are invited to the following event: South Lancashire's SI Liverpool have a special centenary on 27 February 2027, night, at the Crowne Plaza. A date for your diary.

We had a very interesting exchange of practices of the three regions, in particular the Region meetings, costs and venues and the Region levy.

Ideas are wanted please for a three way Region Programme Action Project. I felt that if all three regions participated together, we could get something impactful.

The Presidents are:

NWE	Gail Porter
S. Lancs	Sue Gledhill
CNWW	Iris Batman

Soroptimist Leaflets

Please make sure you always have a Soroptimist leaflet in your bags. You never know when you will need one!

Susan Haywood
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