

Soroptimists International Garforth Elmet

2023/24

Programme



May 2023

22nd

Business Meeting, including

Treasurer's Report

**Feedback: what would you like to do at
Business Meetings?**





June 2023

12th

Business Meeting

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25th

Garforth & District Lions Annual Gala

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26th

Trip to Virago Women's Workshop

Summer Wreath Making

July 2023

10th

Bob and Jackie Lawrence will come to give us a talk about the Barnbow lasses. We will ask members to bring home baking.

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24th

Business Meeting, including

Focus on Campaigning



August 2023

5th

The City of Worcester, Kee Travel, Adult £28.50, Over 60 £27.50

9th

Trip to Markenfield Hall, Ripon, North Yorkshire

We will take a tour around this 14th-century moated manor house near Ripon, North Yorkshire, followed by tea and cake. £20

23rd

Barnard Castle & Northallerton, Kee Travel, Adult £23, Over 60 £22

30th

Annual picnic at our centenary copper beech tree in Gather & Stay, Barleyhill



September 2023

2nd

Garforth Tesco stall: fundraising and raising our profile

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11th

Speaker from PACE

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25th

Business Meeting, including update on RCM

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October 2023

9th

A joint event with Garforth & District Lions

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23rd

Business Meeting, including

**Arrangements for International Day for the
Elimination of Violence Against Women**



November 2023

13th

We will welcome Dave Weldrake to give us a talk about the Kingdom of Elmet.

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25th

**International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women,
Gazebo, Garforth Main Street**

Civic buildings in Leeds lit up orange

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27th

Business Meeting, including

writing a letter to our MP to ask him about current issues facing women and girls, his and the government's response



December 2023

11th

Christmas meal





January 2024

8th

We will welcome a speaker from Leeds Resisters.

Club members who attended the 2023 Folia Conference in Glasgow will tell us all about it.

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22nd

Business Meeting, including

Nominations for 2024/25 club roles

February 2024

12th

Dinner and a Movie: The Springs

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26th

Business Meeting, including

Ballots for 2024/25





April 2024

8th

Invitations to incoming and outgoing Yorkshire and club Presidents to talk about what Soroptimism means to them, open to friends and family

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22nd

Business Meeting

AGM

Goals for 2023/24

- **Recruit at least 10 new members**
- **Have a stall at every event at Garforth Miners' Welfare Hall**
- **Utilise and update the club's folding board**
- **Have a presence at as many community events as possible**
- **Shorten the business meetings**
- **Allocate 30 minutes of every business meeting to discuss an issue affecting women and what our response should be as Soroptimists**
- **Plan a joint event with Garforth District Lions**
- **Update and overhaul the club's accounts and accounting practices**
- **Plan an afternoon tea and invite two or more other clubs**



Presidents' Charity

PACE

Parents Against Child Exploitation

About PACE:

Pace is a national charity working to keep children safe from exploitation by supporting their parents, disrupting the offenders and working in partnership with police and family services. We also train professionals in how to support affected children and their parents using a trauma-informed, family-centric approach.

PACE seeks to:

- Enable parents and carers to safeguard and stop their children being exploited.**
- Provide evidence and specialist advice in order to demonstrate to partners that parents and carers have an essential safeguarding role.**
- Work with parents and partners to disrupt and bring perpetrators to justice.**
- Influence national and local policy and practice to reflect the active safeguarding role of parents and the impact on families of child exploitation.**
- Sustain long term change by training partners in the active role of parents and carers safeguarding their children**

Our Vision & Mission

Vision

Women and girls will achieve their individual and collective potential, realise aspirations and have an equal voice in creating strong, peaceful communities worldwide.

Mission

Soroptimists transform the lives and status of women and girls through education, empowerment and enabling opportunities

