

## **GUIDELINES FOR THE MERGING OF CLUBS**

When a Club is contemplating merging with another Club, the approval of International Inner Wheel must be gained.

When a Club's membership diminishes to a number at which it finds difficulty in electing members to official positions in order to continue operating efficiently, and is unable to attract new members to the Club, it is possible for two or more Clubs to merge, to ensure loyal members are not lost to Inner Wheel.

The members of the merging Clubs must agree by a simple majority.

The merging Clubs would need to be proximate to each other.

A name change may be considered giving preference to the older or larger Club, or a combination of existing names. Name changes must be approved by International Inner Wheel.

Where the said Clubs belong to an Inner Wheel District, the Extension Officer of the District may be engaged to assist with the merger as she would in the formation of a new Club.

Where there is no District Extension Officer, the Executive Officers and members of the Clubs concerned must agree on the future office bearers of the newly merged Clubs.

The Accounts of the Clubs must be audited and arrangements made for the amalgamation of the finances of the merging Clubs.