

LONG BUCKBY MACHINE KNITTERS



FORTHCOMING EVENTS

CLUB MEETINGS

Today

- 14th Mar RIBBING**
- 11th Apr **CHARTING DEVICES**
How to prepare for, set up and use the device. Where to look for and how to make patterns
- 9th May **HOLES:** decorative and functional:
various forms of lace, button holes and interesting uses for eyelets
- 13th June **RIPPING YARNS:** All about yarn, and how to knit with unusual and challenging yarn.
- 11th July **CHANGING DIRECTION** Knitting in different ways: sideways, modular as well as shaping using holding position
- 8th Aug **STITCHED UP: A VARIETY OF PATTERNS**
Exploring the versatility of automatic pattern capability, as well as a bit of hand manipulation
- 12th Sept **ACCESSORIES** Knitting accessories
- 10th Oct **SET IN SLEEVES** on the machine with guest speaker SUE BOOTH
- 14th Nov **GADGETS** practical session, opportunity to practise with gadgets like colour changer, cast off linker etc.
- 12th Dec **COMPETITION, DISPLAY AND SALES** End of year celebration

WORKSHOPS

Workshops for 2016 are as follows: [although the workshops have a theme, we can run personalised workshops at the same time e.g. beginners' techniques, software/ computing for knitters, or using specific equipment



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| 18th April | 1-4 Doors open at 12.30 | WORKSHOP: machines supplied/ booking essential Charting Devices and other patterning: following on from club meeting | £15 |
| 20th June | 1-4 Doors open at 12.30 | WORKSHOP: machines supplied/ booking essential Combining Yarns: Following on from club meeting, including mixing yarns for effect | £15 |
| 19th Sept | 1-4 Doors open at 12.30 | WORKSHOP: machines supplied/ booking essential Using the Garter Bar | £15 |

All workshops to be booked in advance by non-refundable full payment. Cheques will be cashed at the time of the workshop, and should be made out to Long Buckby Machine Knitters.

GUILD OF MACHINE KNITTERS RENEWAL

Anyone who hasn't paid their subs but wants to renew please send a cheque for £16.20 payable to Long Buckby Machine Knitters to Pat Banyard Smith, 27 Lauds Road, Crick, Northampton NN6 7TJ by the end of March as she hopes to deliver all our subs to the GMK Membership Secretary at the Nottingham Show.

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OTHER EVENTS

17th-20th March 2016: Sewing for Pleasure / Fashion Embroidery & Stitch / Hobbycrafts, NEC, Birmingham www.ichfevents.co.uk

12 March - 8 May 2016 Open 27 The Leicester and East Midlands Art Exhibition 2016 New Walk Museum & Art Gallery <http://www.visitleicester.info/things-to-see-and-do/arts-museums/exhibitions/open27/>

3rd April 2016: All Knitting Show, Nottingham www.machineknittingmonthly.net

7th-9th April 2016: Stitching, Sewing & Hobbycrafts, ExCel, London www.ichfevents.co.uk

21st-23rd April 2016: Craft4Crafters, Shepton Mallet www.craft4crafters.co.uk

23rd-24th April 2016: Wonderwool Wales www.wonderwoolwales.co.uk

23rd April - 3rd July 2016 The Charles Rennie Mackintosh Museum 78 Derngate, Northampton NN1 1UH Exhibition of the Society of Designer Craftsmen [7 members who live and work in central England] <http://www.78derngate.org.uk/page3/index.html>

Saturday 30th April 2016 10am - 4pm THREADED TOGETHER Exhibition of mixed media and art textiles The Village Hall, Kislingbury, Northants, NN7 4EJ

18th June 2016: National Guild Day with AGM, Reepham & Cherry Willingham Village Hall, Reepham, Lincolnshire. <http://www.guild-mach-knit.org.uk/>

SMALL ADS

FOR SALE

Knitmaster 155

Chunky Machine with Ribber and Table, also Knitmaster Knit Radar, Intarsia Carriage, Instruction Books and Tools, with some punch cards and patterns £200. Lynn 01788 813619

Used knitting machine tables for sale £7.50 each. Speak to Pat at the club or phone 01788 822091

KNITMASTER 700 including SRP 50 ribber and lace carriage and RT1 transfer carriage

YC6 Colour changer Tricot Intarsia Multi Colour Yarn Brake

Complete with punchcards, punch and wool winder and all instruction books

Hague Twisting Yarn Stack Magazines Knit radar charts Cones of Yarn Table & swivel chair

£250 Collection from Milton Keynes Area Contact DOT on 01908 646448

Wendy Stock in Coventry has the following for sale:

Brother transfer carriage £30.00/Brother linker £40.00/

Machine knitting table, grey, and a little wider than the standard size table £20.00

Twisting yarn stack £20.00

Large sack of yarn, full and used cones, lots of neutrals, wool and polyester mix £30.00

Contact: Tel: 02476 416041 Email: wendystock27@yahoo.co.uk

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For Sale as a job lot

The following can be seen set up and running

Zippy Plus standard gauge knitting machine PLUS KR7 Knit Radar/LC2 Lace Carriage (Boxed)/YC6 Colour Changer (Boxed)/AW1 Weaving Arm Intarsia Carriage (Boxed)

Selection of punchcards and punch/4 arm Yarn mast fixing and 2 two arm yarn masts

Wool winder/Steaming kit/Ribber (in need of maintenance)

Keen knitter has sadly decided that this must all go as she has arthritis and is unable to continue knitting. She will accept £300 for everything. To be collected from Akeley near Buckingham.

Dorothy Staley 01280 860 332 rich.staley332@btinternet.com

WANTED

Machine Knitters needed!

❖ Mhairi MacLachlan (maclachlan.mhairi@gmail.com) 07813 897 528

❖ Harrison Winter of HCR knits [<http://www.hcrknits.com/>] Contact: info@hcrknits.com

Yarn donations

❖ **Ruddington Frameworkers Museum** are looking for donations of yarn which can be taken to the Nottingham Show, where they may have a stand, or Erica Thomson will collect for them. Anything from 2/30's and thicker is needed and preferably in nice bright colours which will appeal to children. Very small cones are fine too, but any very fine yarns which need more than 3 strands to make up to 4 ply are too thin.

BUSINESS ADS

❖ **Knits 'n' Bits [Long Buckby]**

We buy and sell used [serviced] knitting machines and accessories, and also sell books, punchcards, spares and more. Contact Wendy on 01327-842335 or email knitsnbits@live.co.uk. N.B. Response will be a little slower at the moment than usual, but she is still in business.

❖ **Elsie's Wool Shop: Ma's Buttons**

in Victoria Road, Rushden, just off the high street. They supply wool, all plies, including cones and a large selection of buttons and haberdashery items.

email mcginnelsie@yahoo.com or telephone 01933 380610 evenings or weekends.

PLEASE LET ME HAVE DETAILS OF ANYTHING YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADVERTISE IN THIS SPACE.
SALES AND WANTED – FREE ADVERTISING!

INSPIRATION, INSTRUCTION AND INFORMATION

TIP:

Seen on a weaving blog: Use an upturned plant pot to contain your unruly cones, especially when using fine yarn. Thread through the drainage holes, and knit away!



Knitting Machines

Find the words in the square



BROTHER
DOMESTIC
FOLDING
MANUAL
PUNCHCARD
STANDARD

CHUNKY
ELECTRONIC
INDUSTRIAL
METAL
SINGER
TOYOTA

CIRCULAR
FINE
KNITMASTER
PLASTIC
SOCK

RIBBER TECHNIQUES RESOURCES:

Diana Sullivan: 25 videos on various aspects of ribbing including basic techniques

<http://diananatters.blogspot.co.uk/2009/09/ribber-lessons-so-far.html>

Susan Guagliumi: with lots of downloadable fact sheets, including several on ribbing:

http://www.guagliumi.com/free_stuff/index.html you will need to subscribe, but it is safe and worth it!

For manuals: <http://machineknittingetc.com/> where you will find ribber manuals and others

<http://www.aboutknittingmachines.com/> has manuals as well as pattern and techniques books, including the Brother Ribber Techniques book on this page:

<http://www.aboutknittingmachines.com/brother-manuals.html>

and on this page you will find a link to adjusting a Silver Reed/Knitmaster ribber:

<http://www.aboutknittingmachines.com/silver-reed-manuals.html>

PATTERN LINK

Here is a link to a MK pattern for leg warmers, which can be adapted for arm warmers to

<http://slisen.blogspot.co.uk/2015/01/leg-or-arm-warmers.html?m=1>

And, for joining seams up, there is a video link for Bickford stitch, which enables you to join your seams without the 'lump' which mattress stitch leaves <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A1ZMMdV5NUQ>

