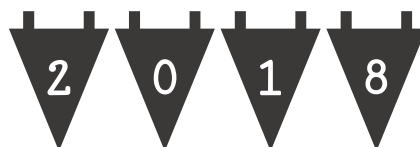


LONG BUCKBY MACHINE KNITTERS



FORTHCOMING EVENTS

CLUB MEETINGS

TODAY

12th November GADGETS and MACHINES – display and maintenance

COMING UP:

10th December END OF YEAR CELEBRATION – AGM, competition, display and sales

[Wendy Piper will be here, with her shop, but is offering *something a bit different this time. She would like to include all types of craft stuff ie card making, sewing hand and machine knitting etc and if anyone wants anything specific for a machine they can pre order it [contact details on next page]*

- At meetings where we do not have an outside speaker, club members are encouraged to participate: please see Lynda if you would like to demonstrate or show a special technique or item
- Please let us know if you have a special requirement in case of emergency, e.g. a mobility problem which would mean a special arrangement in case of evacuation of the building
- Please also respect the demonstrators and other members, some of whom have hearing impairment, by not talking during the demonstrations. ****PLEASE SWITCH OFF YOUR PHONE!****

WORKSHOPS

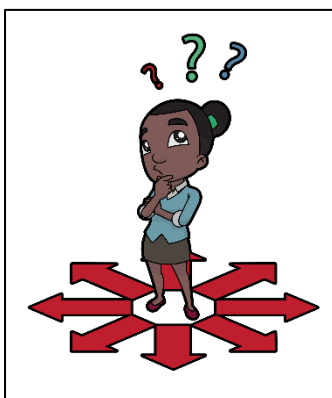


ALL WORKSHOPS RUN FROM 1-4 [ARRIVE FROM 12.30, BRING YOUR LUNCH IF YOU WISH] AT LONG BUCKBY COMMUNITY CENTRE. COST £15 TO INCLUDE USE OF EQUIPMENT. THE MAIN FOCUS OF THE WORKSHOPS IS AS BELOW, BUT ALTERNATIVELY, AS EVER, JOIN OUR WORKSHOPS TO PRACTISE OR LEARN ANOTHER SKILL OF YOUR CHOICE [BUT DO DISCUSS THIS WITH US FIRST!] TEA AND COFFEE PROVIDED. MACHINES ALSO PROVIDED, LET US KNOW WHICH MACHINE YOU PREFER, SO WE CAN MAKE IT AVAILABLE.

We are intending to hold 2 'beginners' workshops next year [see calendar at end of newsletter]: others can still join in!

CLUB NEWS

December meetings will now include an AGM/ Membership subscriptions will be payable in December at £5/The monthly cost will be £2.50 [£4 for outside speaker] for members and £4 [£5] for guests [who can visit up to three times a year]



December Challenge

Now is a good time to plan your entry to our December challenge, if you haven't already started!

The annual trophy is awarded to the item chosen by secret ballot of attendees at the AGM, as well as a keepsake coaster.

NEXT MONTH

In preparation for the AGM next month, we would like to invite nominations for the committee.

The current committee comprises [with brief job titles]

Chairman – Pat

Vice Chair – Lynda

Treasurer – Brenda

Deputy Treasurer – Marion

Membership Secretary – Kathy

Librarian – Margaret

Technician – Jacqui

These members are currently willing to continue in these roles, but other members are also welcome to join us, either to assist with the roles mentioned, or as general assistance/advisors.

If you think you would like to join us, please let us know before the December AGM. We meet about twice a year, usually in the morning before a club meeting.

OTHER EVENTS

**15th-17th November 2018: The Creative Craft Show, Excel,
London**www.stitchandhobby.co.uk/london/autumn

**22nd-25th November 2018: The Knitting & Stitching Show,
Harrogate**www.theknittingandstitchingshow.com/harrogate

CLUB SERVICES

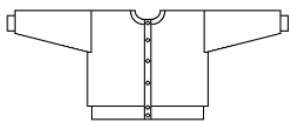
EQUIPMENT HIRE

We have a comprehensive list of equipment available for loan, including full machines as well as accessories. See Margaret for details.

We are also setting up a free lending library and would welcome donations of hardback machine knitting books for this purpose.



PATTERNS



In addition to patterns available in this newsletter and on our website, Lynda is also willing to make bespoke patterns via Knitware for members: these will be available as printouts or pdf files. Form attached for orders, or just let Lynda know the details.

Small Ads

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.

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. <https://www.masbuttons.co.uk/>

FOR SALE AND WANTED

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

Our meeting today is an open meeting, with various display items and some mini demonstrations taking place.

At one end of the room Kathy is demonstrating the garter carriage.

At the other end, Jacqui is demonstrating basic maintenance of your machine, including changing the sponge bar and needles, and other simple tips to keep your machine knitting well.

And in between, we have Knitmaster and Brother machines available for demonstrating the use of various gadgets, including transfer tools, colour changers and finishing tools, such as linkers, twisters and winders.

The following are two websites where you can download manuals, as well as getting some other information

<http://machineknittingetc.com/>

<https://www.xenaknits.com/free-knitting-machine-and-linker-manuals/>

and there are also various online places for purchasing accessories as well as machines, or try Wendy Piper, who is not far from our club [see above for contact details] Wendy is also bringing some items for sale to our December meeting, mainly for sewing, but will bring specific items if you contact her beforehand.

Hague [<https://haguedirect.co.uk/>] are another UK supplier of new accessories, particularly their linker and winding machines, but also transfer tools. One tool I may try is a transfer comb, which comes in 16, 24 and 60 needle sizes, and would be useful for making decreases and increases within the body of the knitting, and I can see a use when adapting hand knitting patterns.



http://www.guagliumi.com/free_stuff/downloads.html is a collection of wonderful Susan Guagliumi publications for free download, including garter bar instructions, as well as a few Knitmaster gadget instructions. She has also published books, two of which are available in our library, and video courses on Craftsy.

NEXT YEAR'S PROVISIONAL CALENDAR. PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU WISH TO COMMENT OR HAVE ANY SUGGESTIONS.

14th Jan	OPEN MEETING – making fabric as a topic
11th Feb	PLATING AND WEAVING
11th Mar	BAGS [all crafts]
8th April	Anne Lavene
15th April	<u>BEGINNERS WORKSHOP fabric</u>
13th May	SOFT FURNISHING
10th June	ERICA THOMSON - TASSELS
8th July	GENERAL CRAFTS
12th Aug	OPEN MEETING
9th Sept	ACCESSORIES
16th Sept	<u>BEGINNERS WORKSHOP: shaping</u>
14th Oct	SUE BOOTH: SHOULDERS
11th Nov	BASIC MAINTENANCE
9th Dec	AGM/ COMPETITION, DISPLAY AND SALES End of year celebration

ANSWERS TO PUZZLE

Words

Sponge bar	Needles	Garter bar	Garter carriage	Colour changer
Transfer carriage	Cast off linker	Cast on comb	Yarn winder	Yarn swift
Cord maker	Fringe maker	Pom Pom maker	Linker	Twister

Phrase

How many gadgets do you have?