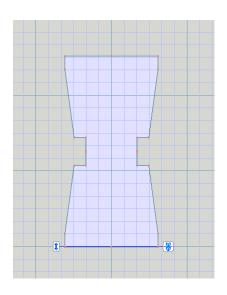
# LONG BUCKBY MACHINE KNITTERS





#### **CLUB MEETINGS**

### Today

#### 11th Apr CHARTING DEVICES

How to prepare for, set up and use the device. Where to look for and how to make patterns

#### **COMING UP:**

9 <sup>th</sup> May	HOLES: decorative and functional:		
	various forms of lace, button holes and interesting uses for eyelets		
13 <sup>th</sup> 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			
	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	<b>GADGETS</b> 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

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

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.

#### OTHER EVENTS

12 March - 8 May 2016 Open 27 The Leicester and East Midlands Art Exhibition 2016

New Walk Museum & Art Gallery <a href="http://www.visitleicester.info/things-to-see-and-do/arts-">http://www.visitleicester.info/things-to-see-and-do/arts-</a>

museums/exhibitions/open27/ and if you can't go, there is a video link on this site, so you can see some of what's on offer

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. <a href="http://www.guild-mach-knit.org.uk/">http://www.guild-mach-knit.org.uk/</a>

#### **SMALL ADS**

#### **FOR SALE**

**Knitmaster HK160** mid gauge machine. It is in good working condition and comes with all the necessary tools. The manual and the extremely rare Lecle book are also included along with several punched and unpunched cards. I would like £180 but am open to offers.

Marion Rutherford 01234712755



#### **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

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

#### 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.

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#### 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

#### **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 <a href="mcginnelsie@yahoo.com">mcginnelsie@yahoo.com</a> 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

#### TUCK LACE COWL



Pat and I worked on this project, a cowl with a point at the front, pictured with a bead attached, which could benefit from further work, but here is what I did to produce mine.

Cast on with fine yarn [mine was Uppingham Yarns lambswool] over 72-0-71 needles, I used Tension 7 on a Brother 891.

[Needle arrangement: L72 |.|||.|||.|||>>>>>across bed in this pattern>>>>>>|||.|||.||R71

Stitch pattern as shown on punch card ]

Knit a hem. I knitted 4 rows then made a picot edge by transferring stitches in the middle of the groups of three, then knitted 4 more rows before hanging the hem. COR

Then put carriage to hold. Put all LH stitches to hold, apart from centre group of three. Knit 1 row.

Put all RH stitches to hold, apart from centre group of three. Knit 1 row reading punch card, then set card to roll. Set row counter to 000.

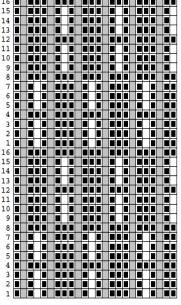
Put carriage into tuck. Knit a row, then put a group of three needles opposite the carriage into working position. Repeat this row, until all needles are in working position, then cancel hold.

Knit to 100 rows, or as many as you want, then cast off.

Sew up back seam, add a bead to the point.

Tuck stitch scarf pattern

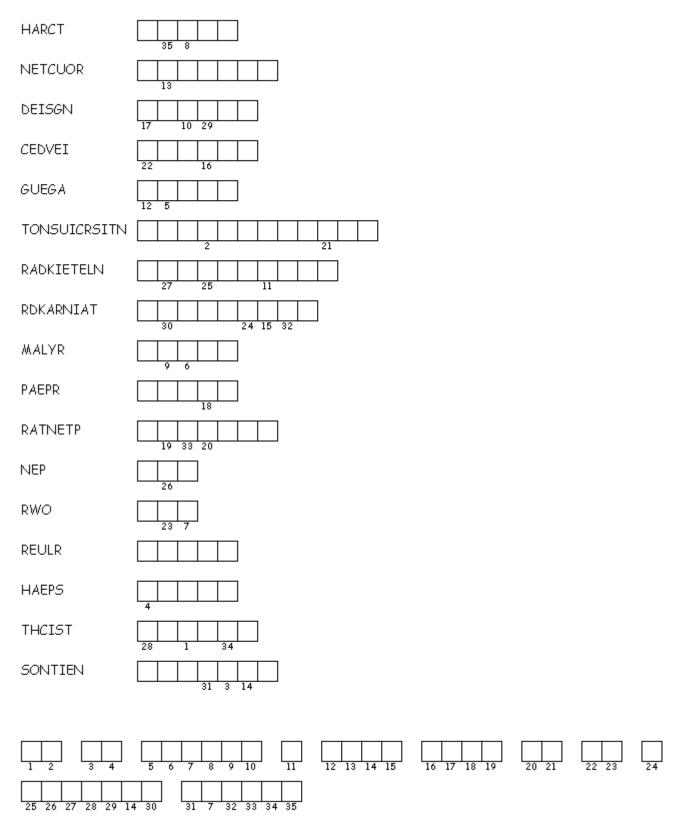
Stitchworld Pattern 288: grey spaces = needles out of work



## **Patterns puzzle**

Unscramble each of the clue words.

Copy the letters in the numbered cells to other cells with the same number.



#### CHARTING DEVICES RESOURCES:

#### Information:

Basic Guide: see the Guild of Machine Knitters newsletter August 2013: members can access it here:

**GMK Newsletter Aug 2013** 

Silver Reed: Susan Guagliumi TT sheets there are one or two sheets which might be useful

This is a link to the original Knitmaster sheets; you may have to manipulate them to use them, as they won't print at the correct size on A4 paper, but they could be used as a guide <a href="http://machineknittingetc.com/singer-silver-reed-knit-radar-patterns.html">http://machineknittingetc.com/singer-silver-reed-knit-radar-patterns.html</a>

**Brother:** 2 booklets on this site, quite long, with patterns from a few decades ago http://www.aboutknittingmachines.com/brother-manuals.html

Estherkate on Ravelry has two pages on tension swatches

http://www.ravelry.com/projects/estherkate/how-to---machine-knit---tension-or-gauge
And how the green ruler works

http://www.ravelry.com/projects/estherkate/how-to---machine-knit---unravelling-the-green-ruler

http://alessandrina.com/2013/12/16/using-the-brother-knitleadear-some-tips/ tips for Brother users

**Video resources:** Susy Ranner videos <a href="https://myknittingmachinesandme.wordpress.com/">https://myknittingmachinesandme.wordpress.com/</a> if you look at the right hand side bar, there are 8 videos on the Knit Radar. At least some of these are suitable for the Brother too.

And, if you look at this page <a href="https://myknittingmachinesandme.wordpress.com/2011/09/23/creating-a-knit-radar-pattern-from-a-written-pattern/">https://myknittingmachinesandme.wordpress.com/2011/09/23/creating-a-knit-radar-pattern-from-a-written-pattern/</a> you will find how to convert a knitting pattern to a chart, even a hand knitting pattern.

**Pens for writing on Knitleader sheets**: I was sold OHP non permanent pens as suitable, and they are, but when I went into my local stationery store, the assistant suggested that dry wipe pens would be better, and they are cheaper!

**Patterns for Knitleader** As these are full size, you can use dressmaking patterns as they are. I have recently made this t-shirt several times in cotton jersey: <a href="http://shop.deer-and-doe.fr/en/sewing-patterns/20-plantain-t-shirt-pattern.html">http://shop.deer-and-doe.fr/en/sewing-patterns/20-plantain-t-shirt-pattern.html</a> it's free and it's good, and would work for knitting

#### Other [paid] sources for dressmaking patterns I have used recently are:

http://sewingpatterns.com/index.php - commercial patterns from well known brands

http://megannielsen.com/ an Australian designer, with smallish sizes, but she is considering upsizing

http://www.cntpattern.com/ this one does not do downloads, but if you order from her, the pattern comes really quickly, even from USA. The jacket patterns are really easy and effective.

http://www.stylearc.com.au/stylearc/
an Australian designer, who also trades on Etsy. Lots of patterns in a wide variety of sizes

And if you get really hooked there is an index of independent designers here: http://chainstitcher.blogspot.co.uk/p/indie-pattern-designers.html

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Charlotte, our latest pattern is a thigh length jacket with a ribbed collar.

Download your copy at www.longbuckbymk.com/images/stories/patterns/charlotte pattern.pdf



I was asked to provide a solution to each puzzle, so here is today's!

Answers to puzzle

Words: CHART COUNTER DESIGN
DEVICE GAUGE INSTRUCTIONS
KNITLEADER KNITRADAR MYLAR
PAPER PATTERN PEN
ROW RULER SHAPE STITCH
TENSION Phrase: It is
always a good idea to do a
tension swatch

And on the next page is a sheet of stitch gauges, or if you are reading this electronically, download here

www.longbuckbymk.com/images/stories/rulers.pdf print out at actual size [not fit to page]

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