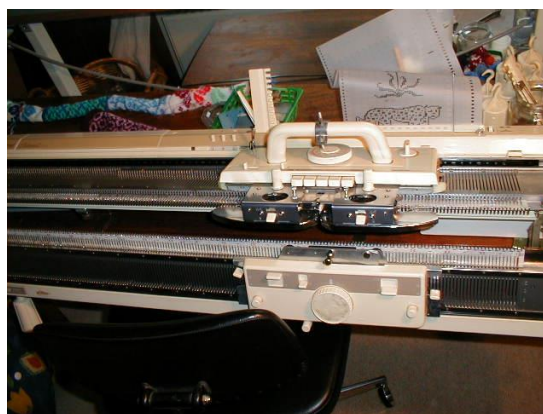
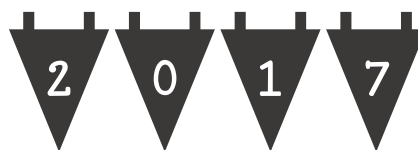


LONG BUCKBY MACHINE KNITTERS



FORTHCOMING EVENTS

CLUB MEETINGS

Today

10th July

A MULTITUDE OF MACHINES – various makes, gauges, types

COMING UP:

14th Aug

BUTTONHOLES AND OPENINGS

11th Sep

BUTTONS

9th Oct

PLATING with guest speaker **SUE BOOTH**

13th Nov

GADGETS practical session with various accessories

11th Dec

COMPETITION, DISPLAY and SALES

- 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

July 17th

BEGINNERS' WORKSHOP



This workshop is for practising basic techniques. Participants are invited to submit their requests on booking. **See Kathy today for availability of places.**

September 18th

BUTTONS

deadline for booking: August meeting

This workshop is a practical approach to making buttons from yarn, fibre, textile or polymer clay – maybe more!

ALL WORKSHOPS RUN FROM 1-4 AT LONG BUCKBY COMMUNITY CENTRE. COST £15 TO INCLUDE USE OF EQUIPMENT.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We would like to offer assistance to new and improving machine knitters. If you would like to volunteer as a Knitting Buddy, please let us know, and we can pair learners with buddies, geographically if possible.



OTHER EVENTS

Knit & Natter on Saturday 15th July Time 10.30 am – 4 pm

Venue: Sacred Heart Church Hall, 208 Worcester Road, Droitwich Spa, WR9 8AZ

Guest speaker: Melissa Warren

Tickets cost £6 in advance from Suzette Williams, [20 Laurelwood Road, Droitwich Spa, Worcestershire WR9 7SE](#)

Tel 01905 774579

Email sue@incoming-email.co.uk



Yarningham
Saturday 15 & Sunday 16 July 2017
Stirchley Baths, Birmingham

<http://www.stitchesandhos.co.uk/yarningham>

FIBRE-EAST 29/30 JULY 2017

Saturday : 1000 – 1700

Sunday : 1000 – 1630

Redborne School and Community College
Flitwick Road
Amphill
MK45 2NU

SMALL ADS

FOR SALE

Brother Single bed colour changer KHC820a £10 Kath Blundell 01788 578137

Items for sale from LBMK in aid of club funds: see Pat or Lynda for details

Hague Twisting Yarn Stack £10

Hague Linker £30

Brother KE100 motor, works with standard or chunky Brother machines, offers considered

Brother Knitting Machine Model KH-891 and KR-850 Ribber in Horn Cabinet including Bench Seat/Storage

Box

Accessories and instruction manual, Transfer Carriage and Knit-Leader

All in excellent condition but machine requires new sponge bar

Many extras including:-

Substantial stock of industrial and 4-ply yarn

Machine knitting maintenance book with video tape

Cone winder/Hole punch and punch cards/Work box for accessories

Assorted hardback and paperback "how to" and pattern books

Folder with many "useful hints" and patterns

Price : £275 o.n.o. Please contact Eileen Andrew 01788 822159 or jpandrew@tiscali.co.uk

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

FOR HIRE

The club has a number of items for hire, on a monthly basis, for a modest fee. These include knitting machines, gadgets and yarn winding equipment. Have a look at the monthly meeting, and speak to Margaret if you are interested.

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

A multitude of machines

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PATTERNS AND PROJECTS

This month has been a busy month for me, in terms of activity away from knitting, and I have not managed to start any new patterns or projects.

However, I did visit the Guild of Machine Knitters meeting in June, and was delighted to see two innovative machine knitting designers as speakers there.

Marianne Henio is designing and selling both hand and machine knitting patterns on her website <https://modernknittingpatterns.com/>, and she showed some of her designs, which are modern and flattering. I have bought a few, and they are also well written and easy to follow.

Jan Truman is a totally different kind of designer: she uses wire on her knitting machine to make sculptures of all sizes, which are amazing and beautiful, as well as jewellery. Visit her site <http://www.jantruman.co.uk/> for more information and inspiration.

I also visited Woolfest <http://www.woolfest.co.uk/> in Cockermouth, Cumbria, for the first time, and was amazed to see quite a large range of sheep close up, including some very big ones, being led through the crowds bucking and kicking, which gave this townie a new perspective on sheep! Although I did not buy any yarn or fibre, I find it quite enriching and inspiring to see the variety on sale at these festivals, as well as lots of 'fibre' people showing their creations. Fibre East <http://www.fibre-east.co.uk/> is just over the horizon, very different from Woolfest, but well worth a visit!

MACHINES ON SHOW TODAY

We have a range of machines on show, all somewhat elderly, except the LK150, but still functioning. Silver Reed models [aka Knitmaster] are the only ones still available new in the UK, but there are still parts available for most machines.

The gauge refers to the distance between the needles: fine gauge is 3.5 mm, standard 4.5 mm, mid gauge is about 6.5mm and chunky is 9mm. These may vary a little between different brands, and the needles will also vary in size to accommodate the differing weights of yarn.

For a list of appropriate yarns to use with different gauges, see <http://www.aboutknittingmachines.com/yarn--knitting-machines-and-garments.html> but roughly speaking, fine gauge works well with 2 ply or laceweight yarn, standard gauge with 2-4 ply, mid gauge 4ply to DK, chunky DK to chunky.

BROTHER

Fine Gauge

1. KH120 with 8 button patterning

This is an old machine [possibly nearly 50 years old] but still works well. It has a row by row patterning system, with an 8 stitch repeat, and a racking system. It does have a ribber, and a lace carriage, but few other accessories. Fair Isle, Tuck, Slip, Lace, and Plating all possible.

Standard Gauge

2. KH881 punch card and KR850 ribber

About 35 years old. 24 stitch punch cards make patterning automatic, and it can do Fair Isle, Tuck, Slip, Lace and Plating. Lots of accessories.

3. KH900 electronic with upgrade to 950 – similar scope to punch card machines, but with electronic patterning, which is not restricted to 24 stitches

Chunky Gauge

4. KH260 punch card

Similar scope to the standard gauge, but no lace carriage.

Convertible

5. KH395 converts from standard to chunky gauge

This is a manual patterning machine, which has a convertible needle bed, changing the gaps between the needles, but the needles remain the same between gauges.

KNITMASTER/ SILVER REED

Standard gauge

6. 700 punch card

24 stitch punch card patterning, tuck, slip, fair isle, punch lace, plating. Lace carriage available as optional extra. Many other accessories available

Mid gauge

7. LK150 manual patterning

Easy and light to use. Will do tuck and slip, with manual selection of needles. Well suited to hand knitting yarns, such as DK.

8. HK160 punch card

18 stitch punch card patterning, tuck, slip, fair isle.

SINGER

Chunky

9. Singer Designer 2 more information on this site <http://www.superbaknitting.com/p/superba-s9-white-s9-singer-big9-snger.html> which also states: 'These Hobby Knitting Machine models are the most basic of home knitting machines to operate. They were designed for ease of use, to be quickly set-up and easily stored.'

For more information about machines and to download manuals and pattern books, visit:

<http://www.aboutknittingmachines.com/>

<http://machineknittingetc.com/>

PUZZLE ANSWERS

Knitmaster	Standard	Pattern
Silver Reed	Fine	Card
Brother	Mid	Button
Singer	Gauge	Electronic
Chunky	Ribber	

Whatever the machine, there will be something to knit!

