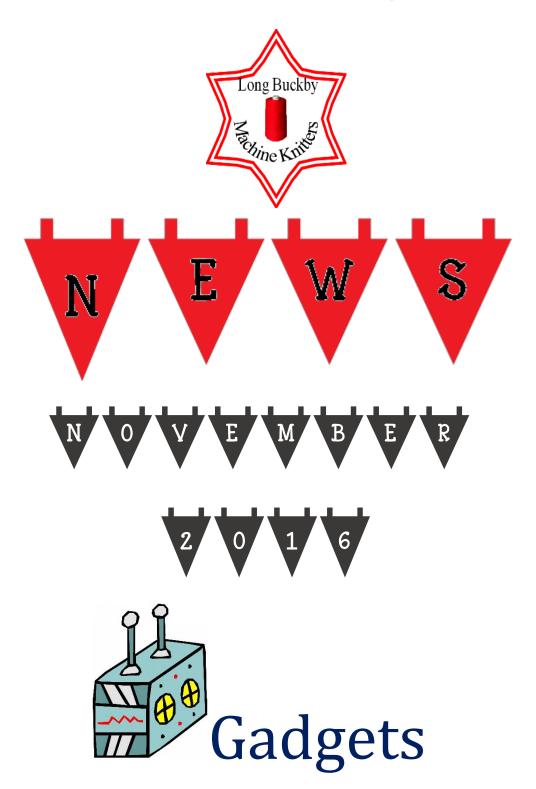
# LONG BUCKBY MACHINE KNITTERS



### **CLUB MEETINGS**

## Today

14th Nov

**GADGETS** practical session, opportunity to practise with gadgets like colour changer, cast off linker etc.

### **COMING UP:**

### 12th Dec COMPETITION, DISPLAY AND SALES End of year celebration

- Competition: bring items for entry on the day, they will be put into the competition anonymously, then members will vote for a winner!
- End of year sale: members' bring and buy, club sales etc.

New Calendar: see back page!

### **WORKSHOPS**

2017: currently planned. We are considering a 'beginners' afternoon.



May 15<sup>th</sup>

Designing knitwear

September 18th

**Buttons** 

### **OTHER EVENTS**

### Friday 2 December 2016 to Sunday 5 February 2017

Made in the Middle is a recurring touring exhibition highlighting some of the best contemporary craft and applied art from the Midlands. Featuring both recent graduates and makers with established reputations, there is a wealth of innovative creativity on display, including ceramics, jewellery, metalwork and textiles.

http://www.theherbert.org/whats-on/events-exhibitions/made-middle

### **SMALL ADS**

### **FOR SALE**



Brother KH881 Knitting Machine. Comprehensive package including Instruction Manual, Ribber, Transfer Carriage, Lace Carriage, Intarsia Carriage, Linker, Colour Changer, Hole Punch with Punch Cards and Wool Winder. Also includes Weights, Clamps, Cast On Bars, Carriage extensions, Assorted Wool and Patterns, Table and Swivel Chair. Longstanding back problems force sale. Barely used for some time, so may require a little TLC! £200.



Also available separately (never used) are a Calcuknit Knitting Calculator £30, Garter Bar £30, and Tricot Yarn Brake £10.

Please Contact Lil Greenwood on 01327 439309.

### 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 <a href="mailto:knitsnbits@live.co.uk">knitsnbits@live.co.uk</a>. 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.

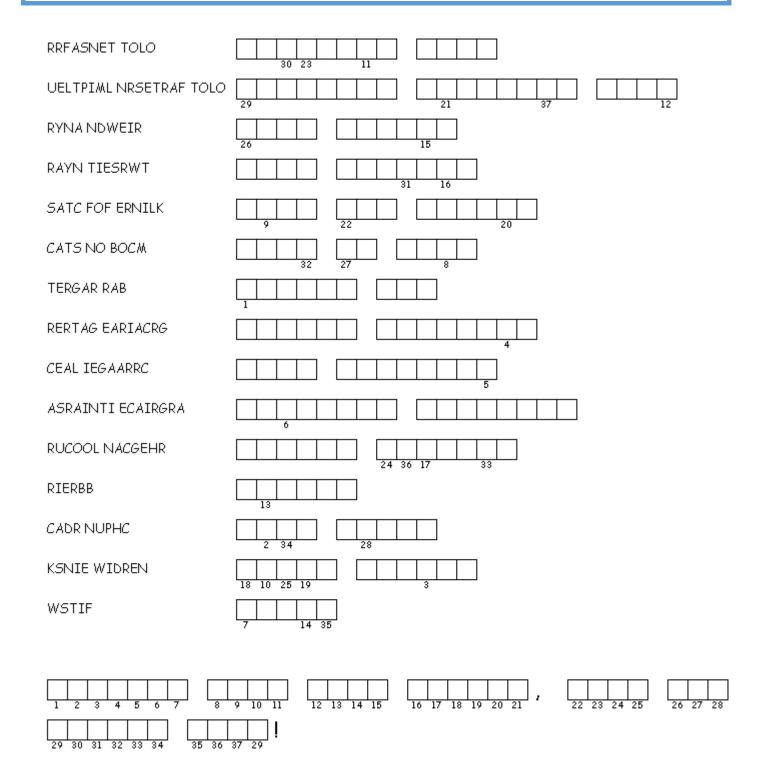
### **FOR HIRE**

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!

### **PUZZLES**

# **Gadgets for Knitting**



Unscramble each of the clue words.

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

### INSPIRATION, INSTRUCTION AND INFORMATION

**Long Buckby MK Patterns**: new arrival! A file of basic crew neck jumpers in multiple sizes for knitting in standard 4 ply tension.

www.longbuckbymk.com/images/stories/patterns/round neck patterns set in sleeve.pdf .

These patterns were produced using Knitware, and contain all the sizes from baby to the largest man's size. I will be adding to these basics, by doing the



same manoeuvre with raglan sleeves, saddle shoulders etc. in the coming months. I am not test knitting them, but have used this tension to produce knitwear from Knitware in the past, and it worked for me!

I urge you to personalise them, by adaptation [and to do the same with any of our patterns]. You can easily convert to cardigan format, by knitting the front in two halves. I have also made the jumpers quite long; you can decide on the length you like and adapt them.

### GADGETS AND ACCESSORIES FOR MACHINE KNITTERS

We will be showing these for different machines, but mostly they are available for both Brother and Knitmaster/ Silver

### TRANSFER STITCHES

Apart from the tools which come with the machine, there are tools which

- help with dropped stitches [Jolie Unicorn or similar] chunky one available here
   <a href="http://www.haguedirect.co.uk/acatalog/curved\_pick\_up\_tool\_chunky.html">http://www.haguedirect.co.uk/acatalog/curved\_pick\_up\_tool\_chunky.html</a>
- transfer multiple stitches; garter bar [video here <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F4RHDVjiL5Y">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F4RHDVjiL5Y</a>], or a tool which has multiple prongs [7 or more]. Watch this for how to make your own <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YtcfSIAoDVE">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YtcfSIAoDVE</a>
- make lace: lace carriage [video for the Silver LC2 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KKakrE9RcCU]
- transfer stitches between beds: double eyed bodkin, ribber transfer carriage [Brother video here <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ro\_ajYznIH0">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ro\_ajYznIH0</a>]
- cast off: cast off linker; video for the Brother one <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wROMEzi4IqU">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wROMEzi4IqU</a>
- help to cast on: cast on comb, video for using the Brother <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g8-XyhnpVT8">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g8-XyhnpVT8</a>
- garter carriage. Video link here https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4rJvanHYYYM
- double latch tool : video here <a href="http://susanguagliumi.com/tag/double-latch-tools/">http://susanguagliumi.com/tag/double-latch-tools/</a>, available from Hague

### **CONTROL YARN**

- colour changers
- twisting yarn stack, available from <a href="http://www.haguedirect.co.uk/acatalog/twisting">http://www.haguedirect.co.uk/acatalog/twisting</a> yarn stack.html
- intarsia carriage [video here <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0ag9i5AFIDE">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0ag9i5AFIDE</a>]
- weaving arm- AW1 Silver Reed [video here <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SvaEgJgBc3g">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SvaEgJgBc3g</a>]
- plating feeder: advice on using one here <a href="http://www.ravelry.com/projects/estherkate/how-to---machine-knit---plating">http://www.ravelry.com/projects/estherkate/how-to---machine-knit---plating</a>

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### **PATTERN**

- · Punching cards: hand punch, punching machine
- Software for making patterns

### **USE TOOLS FROM OTHER CRAFTS**

In the coming year, we will be looking at the design possibilities of machine knitting, and incorporating other crafts and techniques into our work. Some of us use crochet to finish our garments, [some free edges here: http://crochet.about.com/od/edgings/tp/crochet-edging-patterns.htm], hand knitting is also an option, and we have a few hand-spinning and weaving members. At today's meeting, we will have, amongst others, cord twisting and fringe twisting tools, which can be used to finish off garments with a twist!

Cord twisters: We will be demonstrating this model: Anna Crutchley <a href="http://www.annacrutchley.co.uk/">http://www.annacrutchley.co.uk/</a>

**Fringe twisters**: The Ashford fringe twister can be bought [and seen] here https://www.fibrehut.co.uk/products/fringe-twister

Or, if you can find one, a hair braider works in a similar way, and is, possibly, faster, but less reliable. At the time of writing this, I found this one on Ebay <a href="http://www.ebay.co.uk/itm/Automatic-Hair-Braider-Electric-Braid-Quick-Twist-Hairstyle-Tools-Device-DIY-">http://www.ebay.co.uk/itm/Automatic-Hair-Braider-Electric-Braid-Quick-Twist-Hairstyle-Tools-Device-DIY-</a>

/162213572740?hash=item25c4aeb084:g:~ucAAOSw8w1X5Hy4 by putting 'hair braider' into their search, but it does need to be the electric variety. [I wouldn't want it anywhere near my hair!]

Also on display will be various types of winding devices



Yarn swift [for winding and unwinding skeins] which come in various forms, this one being an umbrella swift [video on how to use with a ball winder <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PuxdvW">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PuxdvW</a> iMfk

Various **centre pull ball winders,** including a nostepinne, which is a traditional means of winding a central pull ball [you could use a cylindrical object, like the tube from a kitchen roll, in a similar way]. [Video on how to use a nostepinne <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oGaA92IjXDg">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oGaA92IjXDg</a> ]

**Yarn twisters:** we have the Daruma model for hire, but this video shows the KrisKrafter version in action [very similar] <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G59WDvc0Swg">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G59WDvc0Swg</a>

Spindles: you could use any spinning tools for twisting yarn [it's what they were made for!] but we shall have spindles on show. They seem slow at first, but once you get the hang of it, they are faster than you think.



Tassel Maker: video here <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=be0N8YPwMuA">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=be0N8YPwMuA</a>, the Beadalon tassel maker can be bought here <a href="https://www.beadsdirect.co.uk/beadalon-tassel-maker/W471/?gclid=CjwKEAiA6YDBBRDwtpTQnYzx5lASJAC570bMFuB8GTVmZyjSOMzRGgpwQBJmEoQaR">https://www.beadsdirect.co.uk/beadalon-tassel-maker/W471/?gclid=CjwKEAiA6YDBBRDwtpTQnYzx5lASJAC570bMFuB8GTVmZyjSOMzRGgpwQBJmEoQaR</a> 2hXzV0VuCfXSxoC-pzw wcB

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# **LONG BUCKBY MACHINE KNITTERSCALENDAR 2017**

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Date [all	Time	Topic	Cost
Monday]			
9 <sup>th</sup> Jan	2-4	BRAIDS, CORDS AND EDGES	£2.50
	Doors open at 1.30		
13 <sup>th</sup> Feb	2-4	ENDING, FINISHING AND JOINING	£2.50
	Doors open at 1.30		
13 <sup>th</sup>	2-4	KNITTING TO FIT	£2.50
March	Doors open at 1.30		
10 <sup>th</sup> April	2-4	<b>DESIGNING WITH SHAPES: turning rectangles, circles and</b>	£2.50
	Doors open at 1.30	patchwork pieces into larger projects	
8th May	2-4	CUT AND SEW with Hazel Green	£4
	Doors open at 1.30		
15 <sup>th</sup> May	1-4 Doors open at	WORKSHOP: designing knitwear	£15
_	12.30		
12th June	2-4	KNITTING WITH WIRE with Erica Thomson	£4
	Doors open at 1.30		
10 <sup>th</sup> July	2-4	A MULTITUDE OF MACHINES	£2.50
	Doors open at 1.30		
14th Aug	2-4	BUTTONHOLES AND OPENINGS	£2.50
	Doors open at 1.30		
11 <sup>th</sup> Sept	2-4	BUTTONS	£2.50
_	Doors open at 1.30		
18th Sept	1-4 Doors open at	WORKSHOP: BUTTONS	£15
_	12.30		
9th Oct	2-4	PLATING with guest speaker SUE BOOTH	£4
	Doors open at 1.30		
13th Nov	2-4	GADGETS practical session, opportunity to practise with	£2.50
	Doors open at 1.30	gadgets like colour changer, cast off linker etc.	
11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	2-4	COMPETITION, DISPLAY AND SALES	£2.50
	Doors open at 1.30	End of year celebration	
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Meetings are held at Long Buckby Community Centre, 41 Station Road, Long Buckby, NN6 7QB

<b>Dates for your Diary</b>	Committee Contacts				
March 16-19th NEC	Brenda Adams	01604 493678	treasurer@longbuckbymk.com		
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June 17th GMK AGM	Lynda Fiendley	01604 411491	administrator@longbuckbymk.com		
July 29-30th Fibre East	Kathy Woodhouse	07702 021251	secretary@longbuckbymk.com		
day 25 over 1 is to East	Margaret Middleditcl	h 01869 811704			
Jacqui Bates and Marion Whitehead are also committee members					

# Quiz answers Transfer tool/Multiple transfer tool/Yarn winder/Yarn twister/Cast off linker/Cast on comb/Garter Bar/Garter Carriage/Lace Carriage/Intarsia Carriage/Colour Changer/Ribber/Card punch/Skein winder/Swift Gadgets make life easier, once you master them!