

# Long Buckby Machine Knitters

## Newsletter

September 2026

Claire Newberry - Ribbers

**Please note that the lift is out of order for the foreseeable future so the next couple of meetings we will be in a downstairs room. Please enter via the front door and bring your own refreshments.**

Welcome to our September newsletter.

We welcome Claire Newberry to our meeting this month who will be concentrating on the ribber showing us ribber basics/set up/circular knitting/different ribs/ fisherman's rib/ racking/ increasing and decreasing/ double jacquard

There is no show and tell session this meeting because we have a guest speaker.

The community centre now has a policy of keeping the doors locked, and has a doorbell at the entrance for users to alert the group inside so that they can let people in. Our meetings take place in the Upper Hall, and there is a doorbell labelled as such, on left side of the door.

You can also use a code to enter during the times we have booked the centre only. If you have not got the code, ask us for it.

They also ask for your care as you leave, as the white button operates the door, but the emergency exit button is also there, which you should not use.

And the centre also requests that you do not park in the doctor's surgery car park [I doubt anyone does but mention it anyway]. You are also asked to beware of pedestrians' rights when parking at the front of the centre.

Lynette.

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**Calendar 2026**

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| <b>LBMK<br/>calendar<br/>2026</b> | <b>All meetings are from 2pm to 4pm, and doors are open from 1.30pm.</b>                                                                               |
|                                   | <b>Membership fee: annual £5, plus £3 for most meetings, £5 for those with visiting speaker [marked with ***]</b>                                      |
|                                   | <b>Guest fees: £5 most meetings, £7 for those with visiting speaker.</b>                                                                               |
|                                   | <b>Tea/coffee and biscuits included</b>                                                                                                                |
| <b>Date [all Mon]</b>             | <b>Topic</b>                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>12th Jan</b>                   | Back to basics – casting on and off and using tools                                                                                                    |
| <b>9th Feb</b>                    | Forum – accessories [including embellishment/overlocking/crochet/fringing, cord winding etc.                                                           |
| <b>9th March***</b>               | <b>Servicing and Maintenance - John</b>                                                                                                                |
| <b>13th April</b>                 | 10.00-13.00 overlocker workshop                                                                                                                        |
| <b>13th April</b>                 | Back to basics – finishing – seams, shoulders, Kitchener stitch                                                                                        |
| <b>11th May</b>                   | Forum – circular yokes                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>8th June</b>                   | Lace                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>13th July</b>                  | Back to basics – bands, buttonholes and pockets                                                                                                        |
| <b>10th Aug</b>                   | Forum -sideways knitting                                                                                                                               |
| <b>14th Sept<br/>***</b>          | <b>Claire Newberry – ribber – basics/set up/circular knitting/different ribs/ fisherman’s rib/ racking/ increasing and decreasing/ double jacquard</b> |
| <b>12th Oct</b>                   | Back to basics – LK150 - mid gauge tips and techniques                                                                                                 |
| <b>9th Nov</b>                    | Forum – socks and gloves                                                                                                                               |
| <b>14th Dec</b>                   | Annual celebration                                                                                                                                     |

# Last Month

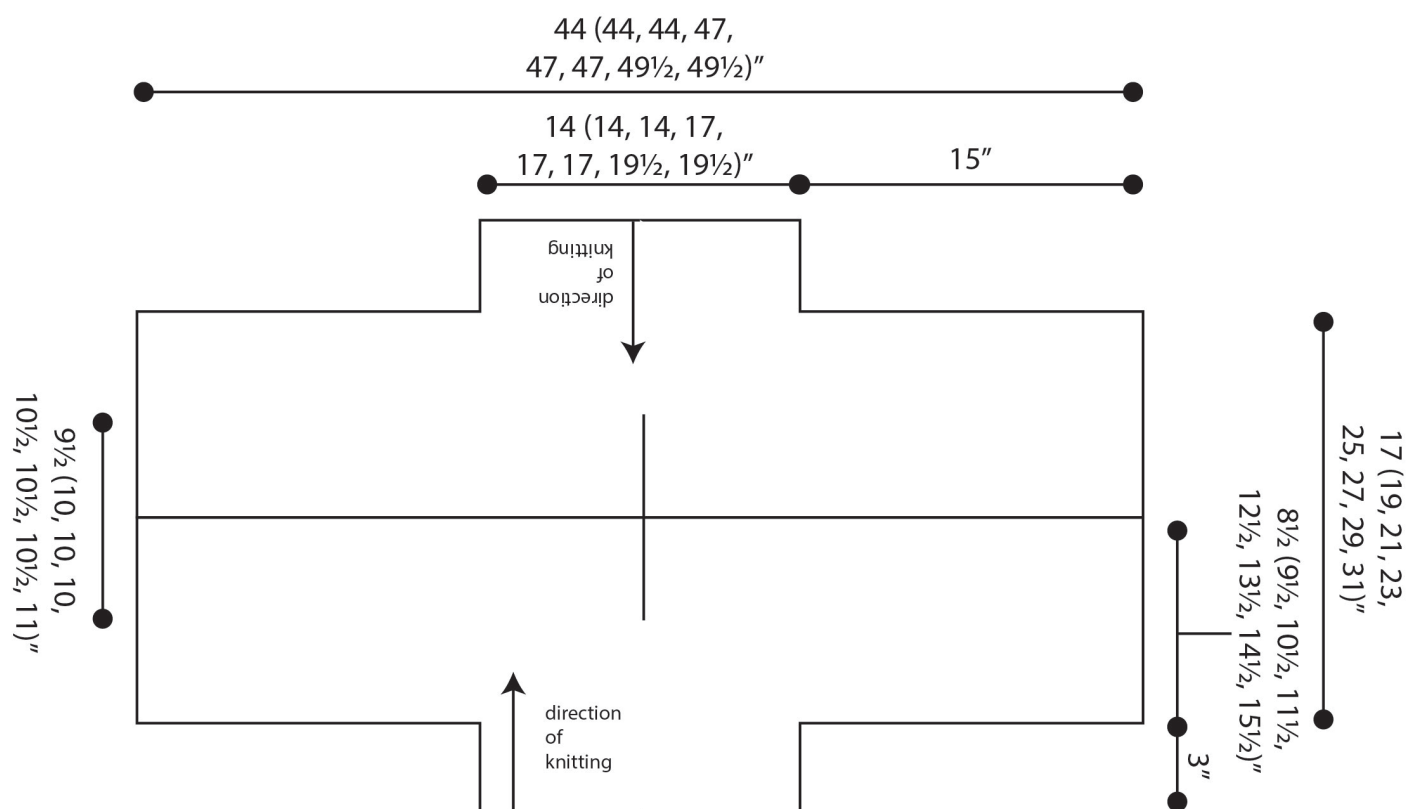
## Show and tell:

Pat shared her recent makes, Tendril shawls and a Sophie Shawl.

Pictures on the website. Click [here](#) to see.

## Sideways knitting

Sideways knitting, or side-to-side construction, is a technique where a garment or item is cast on and worked horizontally—from cuff to cuff, side edge to side edge, or brim to crown—rather than the traditional vertical direction (bottom-up or top-down)



Sue, Pat Lynda and Lynette showed some makes that have used this technique.

Pictures on the website. Click [here](#) to see.

# Useful YouTube video and website links:

## Bands

<https://youtu.be/INS9gkMWNg0> - shows knitting a button band on the LK150

<https://youtu.be/31dLxapW9VA> - for a V neckband

## Buttonholes

<https://youtu.be/Z4FOnE5YkCc>

## Suppliers

<https://andeeknits.co.uk/> - for machines, parts and much more

<http://www.wools.co.uk/> - Uppingham Yarns

<https://yeoman-yarns.co.uk/> - Yeoman Yarns

<https://www.yarnoncone.co.uk/> - Yarn on a Cone

<https://woolyknit.com/> - Wooly Knit

<https://www.woolwarehouse.co.uk> - Wool Warehouse

and this one deals in recycled fibres <https://www.iinouio.com/>

For 3d printed parts try <https://vzv3d.com/>

<https://www.totallybuttons.com/> - For buttons

## Other Information

For free downloads of manuals and pattern books go to <https://mkmanuals.com/> or

<https://www.knititnow.com/ManualAndDocuments/> (which points in the same direction but for some reason is more dependable).

## Videos and Instructions

Sally Butcher has a [Kalamunda Crafts](#) on Facebook. Sally is an inspiring machine knitter with lots of ideas and videos to keep you busy. You can also find her here - [Sally Butcher YouTube](#)  
Well done Sally, a marvellous resource.

Claire Newberry is also fantastic - <https://knittingschool.co.uk> for DAK tutorials and YouTube videos here - [Claire Newberry YouTube](#)

## **Repairs**

Neil Collison - <https://knittingmachinerepairs.co.uk>

John Briscoe - [jbxxx@sky.com](mailto:jbxxx@sky.com) or Facebook

## **Recycling**

Tools With A Mission [www.twam.uk](http://www.twam.uk) is a good place to offload unwanted yarn, machines and accessories - they will send them to Africa to help people start up new businesses or learn a new trade. Local Centre is 6 Paynes Lane, Rugby. They also accept any unwanted tools, gardening, electric, carpentry etc.

## **Joining and Meeting**

The Knitting and Crochet Guild is also a good source of information and much more [www.kcguild.org.uk](http://www.kcguild.org.uk)

## **And finally**

I would like to involve others in this newsletter, so please let me know of anything I can include. [secretary@longbuckbymk.com](mailto:secretary@longbuckbymk.com) please include LBMK in the subject title.