



# Boole Bobbin Lace Circle

**NEWSLETTER 178**

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## **EDITORIAL**

A Happy New Year to you all. Did you make any resolutions? Mine is to find time to design and make more of my own lace starting with something for the PBLC competition, I really must get started on it.

## **TODAY'S MEETING**

We have a representative from the Chestnut Nursery to tell us about their work. Our supplier is Sarah Jones with her beautiful painted bobbins, also the last chance to order the Charity bobbins. We have a display of lace postage stamps from Jean Nathan's collection.

## **BUCKS POINT WORKSHOP APRIL 21<sup>ST</sup> AND 22<sup>ND</sup>**

Please sign up for this workshop today, cost £50 or £25 per day. £5 deposit, balance to be paid at the March meeting. Details were in the last newsletter.

## **PILLOW PARTY FEBRUARY 18<sup>TH</sup> AT BROADSTONE COMMUNITY & ARTS CENTRE**

This will be on the third Saturday of February, hopefully we will not have any extreme winter weather to contend with. I'm afraid that we have to raise the cost of coming to the Pillow Party as again prices of renting the room have risen, entrance will be £2.25. An additional attraction at this event will be the sale of Mary Gibbon's lace equipment, there are bobbins, lace tools, pillows, and patterns for sale. Bring a packed lunch, tea and coffee available. If you only want to come and buy we will charge £1.

## **CHRISTMAS WORKSHOP AND PILLOW PARTY REPORT**

### **Broadstone Workshop**

A happy time was had by all  
At the Broadstone Christmas workshop  
The bobbins were clicking as fast  
As the pins could fill the prickings.  
To inspire us was a white Christmas branch  
Full of wiry coils that glittered so bright,  
With snowmen and Father Christmases  
All falling down with angels in white gowns.  
Eve and Jackie had both worked hard  
To make us a real good show  
Mince pies and coffee kept us all sustained  
With lots of chat about lace and other things.  
A great day for me and I hope everyone else.

Maureen Walsby



## **ERRATA: CORRECTION TO WORKSHOP PATTERN SPARKLY COIL 4**

I am so embarrassed and I must apologise for an error on the pricking of Sparkly Coil 4, the angels. The gremlins must have got into my computer because there are some unneeded pinholes either side of the bead above the head, repeated round the draft. Please come and see me to collect a correct pricking draft.

Eve Morton

## **SOUTH AFRICAN WORKSHOP USING EVE'S PATTERNS**

I have Jeanette's permission to print her email to me.

A few months ago you gave me permission to use your Christmas prickings for a workshop at our Guild. I should have mentioned that we have a very small Guild but we managed to raise the equivalent of 38 GBP with the workshop. Sixteen people took part and paid their equivalent of two pounds and then another 50 p for doing the workshop. We have decided to donate the money to the National Sea Rescue Institute as we live close to the sea and the NSRI also attend to sea rescue involving foreign sea craft.

All our Guild members are very impressed with your designs but probably more impressed with your generosity – for designing the patterns for charity and then again allowing us in faraway South Africa to use them here.

Best wishes and I wish you a peaceful festive season.

Jeanette Fischer

## **7<sup>TH</sup> HEAVEN CRAFTERS' PARADISE**

At the end of December I visited a craft shop that has recently opened in Salisbury, named 7th Heaven. It will be of interest to lacemakers as it is owned and run by four members of the Gardiner family, Jan and Steve of Lacewing Designs and their son Rob and his wife Ola.

Inside the shop I found many of the items that Lacewing Designs sell, Aurafil threads, Venus thread, and a selection of the range from Texere including some fine linen thread that I must try out, it is a weaving thread but I hope that it will work very well for bobbin lace. There are also supplies for papercrafts, beading, knitting and crochet among others. They are carrying craft books from Search Press including some lace books as well as patterns from Lacewing Designs. There are cross stitch and blackwork kits. At the back of the shop they have an area dedicated to workshops and will be running classes in bobbin lace, card making, crochet, and jewellery making. There will be a website for the shop, at the moment parts of it are still under construction, it can be found at:

[www.7thheavencrafts.com/](http://www.7thheavencrafts.com/)

I found it very easy to get to the shop. I drove up to the Park and Ride on the outskirts of Salisbury at Britford, (A338) where it was easy to park and took the bus into Salisbury. There are four buses an hour, normally only an 8 minute journey but it was sale time so took a little longer. The return fare is £2.50 or a group ticket for up to four people of £3.50, but even better my bus pass is valid for the fare so it cost me nothing to park. The shop is located at 120 Fisherton Street, Salisbury SP2 7QT it is the end near to the train station about half a mile from the centre. Phone number is 01722 327077. Hours Tuesday – Saturday 9am - 5pm. During holiday times it is worth phoning to check on opening hours.



## TROPHIES AND ANNUAL PBLC LACE COMPETITION

The committee have received a letter from one of our members suggesting that the occasion of our 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary is an appropriate time to modernise some of our trophies for the annual competition. Having discussed this at a meeting, your committee feel that it is a very difficult topic, all of the trophies were donated by members or given in memory of a past member. So we would like all our members to think about this and we will discuss this at the AGM.

## 30<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY BOBBINS

We have commissioned some bobbin designs for our 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. There will be a wooden bobbin from Stuart Johnson, cost £4 and a bone bobbin from Janet Retter, cost £24. PBLC will give a subsidy of £2.00 towards the cost of one bobbin for each member. Orders will be taken today and at the March meeting, we will accept cheques for the order. There is also a badge to commemorate our anniversary, cost £4. See the pictures below and the bobbin samples will be available to see at today's meeting.



## INSURANCE

A notice that the event is covered through the Lace Guild insurance is displayed at every meeting and workshop, but this does not cover any loss of personal property or personal lace that you have taken to display. Items of lace submitted for demonstrations, exhibitions, meetings etc. have to be listed, valued and advised to The Lace Guild at least one month prior to the event in order to be covered by the insurance. The excess payable on all insurance claims is now £250. The Lace Guild is unable to offer cover for the theft of exhibits unless the theft follows a violent and forcible entry to the exhibition building.

## PBLC DEMONSTRATIONS IN 2012

Easter Craft Show, Upton House	Sunday and Monday	April 8 <sup>th</sup> & 9 <sup>th</sup>
Kingston Lacy	Saturday, Sunday & Monday	June 2 <sup>nd</sup> – 4 <sup>th</sup>
August Craft Show, Upton House	Saturday and Sunday	August 11 <sup>th</sup> & 12 <sup>th</sup>
Kingston Lacy	Saturday, Sunday & Monday	August 27 <sup>th</sup> – 29 <sup>th</sup>

If you can help demonstrate lacemaking at the above events please see Valerie today or phone her on 650143.

## EXHIBITIONS AND EVENTS

Leaflets and details of many of these events can be studied in full on the notice board during our meetings.

February 18<sup>th</sup> **Wessex Lacemakers Suppliers Fayre** at The Holiday Inn, Taunton TA1 2UA (just off J25 M5) Entrance £3.00 10am – 3pm For information call Rosemary on 01935 824152 evenings only..

- February 19<sup>th</sup>      **Bead Fair** at Lighthouse Arts Centre, 21 Kingland Road, Poole, BH15 1UG 10.00am – 4.00pm early entry at 9.30am for the disabled. Entrance £5, under 16 free, £1 reduction for The WI, The Bead Society of GB, The Beadworkers Guild & The U3A, membership cards must be shown. Organised by The Craft Kit Company 01737 841080 [www.thecraftkitcompany.com](http://www.thecraftkitcompany.com)
- Mar 3<sup>rd</sup> - Apr 7<sup>th</sup>      **Red, White and Blue** at the Red House Museum, Quay Road, Christchurch BH23 1BU Tuesday to Friday 10am - 5pm Saturday 10am - 4pm Admission free. An exhibition of intricate and colourful hand and machine stitched textiles by the Urchfont Embroiderers, a group based at Urchfont Manor College near Devizes. Telephone: 0845 603 5635
- March 17th      **Weald Lace Fair** in the Sports Hall at Collyer's Sixth Form College, Hurst Road, Horsham, West Sussex RH12 2EJ 10am – 3.30pm Entrance £2.50, children free. Free parking Refreshments available. Display 'Bags of Geometry' by Intertwine and 'Around the World with Lace' with demonstrations by Martlet Lacemakers of Horsham Information ring Jenny Hudson on 01798 873279

### CLASSES AND COURSES

Jan 15, Feb 12, Mar 18, May 20 & June 17      **Make Lace Sundays** at the Idmiston and Porton Memorial Hall in Porton SP4 0LD 10.00am – 4.00pm. Tutor Jan Gardiner, workshops are an opportunity to have the time to look at some aspect of lacemaking new to you, start a new pattern or finish off something nearly completed. Just bring your project and your lunch. Each workshop is limited to a maximum of 12 students. £28.00 per person per day. Refreshments included. Send £5 non returnable deposit when place confirmed. Contact Jan on 01980 611932 or email: [jan@lacewingdesigns.co.uk](mailto:jan@lacewingdesigns.co.uk). Morningside, Idmiston Rd, Porton, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP4 0LB

3-5 February, 20-22 July 27-29 July      **Weekend Lace Courses at Porton** tutor Jan Gardiner All levels of lacemaking skills will be accommodated, from complete beginners to advanced. If you have bought any of Jan's patterns and like to have her help in starting/finishing them this is golden opportunity not to be missed. Lacewing Designs stock will be on display for you to browse during the weekend. This weekend course will be held in the Porton Village Hall and residential students will be accommodated at the Porton Hotel. Welcome and Registration will take place at the Porton Hotel at 5:30pm. The non-residential fee will include all tuition, lunch on Saturday and Sunday and dinner on Friday and Saturday. The residential fee will include Bed and Breakfast, all tuition, lunch on Saturday and Sunday and dinner on Friday and Saturday. Tea and coffee will be available through out the weekend at the Village Hall.

Course costs: Residential: single room £215, shared room, £165, Non-residential, £105, £50 deposit when place confirmed, balance due one month before course  
Contact Jan on 01980 611932 or email: [jan@lacewingdesigns.co.uk](mailto:jan@lacewingdesigns.co.uk). address as above.

### NEXT MEETING

Saturday March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2pm at St George's Church Hall, our speaker will be Liz Pass talking about 'Tablecloths', the supplier will be Hudsons Bobbins. The display has yet to be decided.

### NEXT NEWSLETTER

Please send any information, articles or notices for inclusion in the next Newsletter to: **Eve Morton, 17 Forsyte Shades, 82 Lilliput Road, Poole, BH14 8LA or by e-mail to [eve@chez-morton.com](mailto:eve@chez-morton.com)**