



Poole Bobbin Lace Circle

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EDITORIAL

At last winter is on its way out and we have longer daylight hours. This time of year is rather barren; very few lace events except for our own pillow parties, PBLC meetings and Tuesday lace. Museums are often closed to prepare new exhibitions and lace days non-existent. There's only the internet for lace oriented interest. So it's good to see into the future. There's the regular PBLC sessions, Pompey Parry at the next Pillow Party, Lace Day is on the horizon, with a workshop to follow, and the amazing Dorset Arts and Craft Show to look forward to in August. It won't be long before lace demonstrations start again and we'll be able to sit outside in the warm sun.

TODAY'S MEETING

We start the day with a Pillow Party from 10.30am – 1.30pm, followed by the regular PBLC meeting. Bring along your no-longer wanted items for the Sales table. They may be just what someone else wants. The display is for triangular pieces of lace. (Now where have I put mine? I know I've made some.) PBLC member Lily Wills is our speaker and will be talking about The 98 Group From The Inside.

CHARITY BOBBINS – GULLY'S PLACE

Jenny H. still has a few charity bobbins that have not been collected yet. She will bring them to today's meeting.

LACE DAY BOBBINS

Lace Day Bobbins will be available for you to see at today's meeting and may now be ordered. The cost is £9.50 each for wood and £12.50 each for bone bobbin – money with order please. Last order date is the April meeting to give Margaret Wall time to paint them

Jenny Harris

SECOND LACE CHALLENGE

Lots of members rose to this new lace challenge and the resulting bangles were displayed at the January meeting. There were three classes and the three winners were Group 1 Shirley Pearce, Group 2 Margaret Cormack, Group 3 Eve Morton. (left to right)



FEBRUARY PILLOW PARTY

On Saturday 3rd February we joined with St George's Craft Day in the big hall for our all day pillow party. What a lovely day it was too; there were 17 PBLC members and another 40 ladies and men. There were plenty of different crafts being made - painting, cross stitch, knitting, quilting, also felting and even a father and son doing a motor bike Air-fix model. The bring-and-buy stall was popular as was the cake stall, and Jenny's marmalade quickly sold out. At lunchtime the smell of bacon baps tempted people. There was the usual raffle and the church made £640, which was fantastic. Altogether another wonderful day of sitting making our lace, enjoying looking at all the other crafts, and chatting to everyone. Thank you Jenny, Sue Colbourne who arranged the craft day, and all of St George's for letting us join you.

Marilyn Tinsley

PILLOW PARTY SAT 6th APRIL.

This Pillow Party will be taking place in the large hall. Whilst you can still come along to enjoy a day of lacemaking, following a request by members, Pompey Parry will be running a workshop on 'How and where to start a piece of lace'. We are not sure yet whether it will be in the morning or afternoon as it will depend on numbers, but if you would like to join the workshop, please add your name to the list today. There will be a charge of £2.

DANISH WHITEWORK WORKSHOP SUN 2nd JUNE 10.30 to 3.30

The Whitework Workshop now has 10 people booked but there is still space for 1 or 2 more if you are interested. If you have booked, please pay £30 at today's meeting. More details below.

INFORMATION FOR DANISH WHITEWORK WORKSHOP.

A workshop tutored by Anna Winter will be held on Sunday 2nd June following her talk at the Lace Day. Places will be limited. The cost will be £30 which will include the course kit which comprises the instructions, fabric and thread to work a coaster sampler. Please indicate any previous experience you have in this skill. The day will be held at the Scout Hall adjacent to St. George's Church Hall and will run from 10.30 – 3.30pm. PBLC members will have priority until the March meeting, but then it will be open to non-members, and advertised in The Lace Guild magazine and locally.

If you are interested in attending please will you contact Jenny Lewis at:-
chairman.pblc@yahoo.com

LACE DAY SATURDAY, JUNE 1ST 2024.

You should have received the programme and the ticket booking form for the Lace Day by email recently. For those not receiving their newsletter by email, a copy will be attached to this newsletter. A few copies of the ticket application form will also be available at the meeting. Tickets will be available at the meeting at £7 each.

GROUP PIECE FOR DACA 2024.

I hope that you have started on your butterfly for our Dorset Arts and Crafts Entry. If you weren't at the January meeting you may not know about it so I am putting it here so everyone will know.

We have decided to make butterflies to hang from, or to sit on, branches of a white twig tree. It will be called Kaleidoscope of Butterflies. Kaleidoscope is one of the names for a group of butterflies and is also associated with lots of bright colours.

Your butterfly should be no bigger than 3.5 inches at its widest point and can be any type of lace and any colour – the brighter the better. You may make as many butterflies as you like. If we get lots and lots we may not need to use all of them but will guarantee to put one on the tree for every member who gives some in. We need to receive them by the annual meeting on July 6th, but you can hand them in at any meeting.

I hope that you will enter some butterflies so that we can put an eye catching and colourful entry into DACA in August.

Jenny

SALISBURY MUSEUM EXHIBITION

Fashioning Our World Saturday 10 February 2024 - Sunday 12 May 2024

In the past, clothes were often repaired, re-worn or refashioned. The threads, patches and fabrics tell the story of garment and the person who wore it. The Fashioning Our World exhibition features fashion items from the collection at The Salisbury Museum which tell powerful stories of sustainability. Alongside these, the exhibition showcases work by well known and emerging fashion designers and fashion students displayed on a series of miniature mannequins. For more information about the museum go to

<https://salisburymuseum.org.uk/>

You can get to Salisbury from Poole by public transport. If you would like to go but have no one to go with please let the committee know and we will try to put people together.

FORTHCOMING DEMONSTRATIONS AND EVENTS

Date	Event
Saturday, 6 th April 2024	All day pillow party with Pompi Parry 10.30am – 3.30pm
Saturday 4 th May 2024	Morning pillow party 10.30am – 1.30pm followed by PBLC meeting 2.00pm – 4.00pm A working meeting with cream tea. Hand in entries for annual competition.
Saturday 1 st June 2024	Lace Day 10.00am – 4.00pm. Speaker Anna Winter
Sunday 2 nd June 2024	Danish Whitework workshop, tutored by Anna Winter
Saturday 22 nd June 2024	Stour Lacemakers have invited us to join them at Manston Village Hall from 10am – 4pm cost £3. Please let Jenny L. know before June 1 st if you would like to go, as numbers are limited.

NEXT MEETING

Our next full meeting is on **Saturday, 4th May 2024**, see above.

If you would like to come along but need a lift, please let us know and we'll do our best to organise something for you.

The Committee

COPY DATE

Items for the May edition of the Newsletter should be with Liz Pass by **15th April 2024**