

KNITTING AND CROCHET GUILD LEEDS & BRADFORD BRANCH

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Headingley St Columba's United Reformed Church
Headingley Lane, Leeds LS6 2DH

Meetings are held on the second and fourth Fridays of the month. They start at 7.30 pm and end around 9.30 pm.

Cost: £3 per session including light refreshments

New members are always welcome: we're not experts, just enthusiasts!

PROGRAMME: 2009

Friday 9 January 2009: Tapestry Crochet

Member, Maureen McIlwraith will kick off the New Year by leading a workshop on the technique of tapestry crochet. **Bring:** *A crochet hook sized at least 4mm plus double knitting or thicker yarn. Canvas for the foundation will be provided.*

Friday 23 January: Informal get together to knit/crochet/natter.

Friday 13 February: Wearable Accessories

A members' evening led by Jane Hull and Heather Rothschild. **Bring:** *examples of any knitted or crocheted hats, scarves, gloves etc, bought or made to discuss and exchange ideas.*

Friday 27 February: Informal get together to knit/crochet/natter.

Friday 13 March: Faroese Shawl workshop

Sally Holmes will lead a workshop in which participants will make a shawl to fit a teddy or doll, and gain an understanding of the shaping and sizing of a knitted, top-down, Faroese shawl. **Bring:** *a teddy or doll, 50g or so of four ply or DK smooth yarn and a circular needle that gives a soft drapery fabric with that yarn - usually, a size or two up from what you'd use for stocking stitch. A spare circular needle, in a size or two smaller, will help, with the casting on but a foot or so of 1/4" ribbon will substitute*

Friday 27 March: Informal get together to knit/crochet/natter.

Friday 17 April: Elizabeth Zimmerman: a woman of surprises

(Please note that this is NOT the 2nd Friday which would be Good Friday):

A talk by Lesley Fidler on the life and work of this influential knitter. **Bring:** *nothing in particular, but maybe your current project to work on whilst listening.*

Friday 24 April: Informal get together to knit/crochet/natter.

Friday 8 May: Mixed Media

Denise Musk has a wealth of textile experience. She will talk about mixing media in textile crafts and show examples of her stunning work. **Bring:** *nothing in particular, but maybe your current project to work on whilst listening.*

Friday 22 May: Informal get together to knit/crochet/natter.

Friday 12 June: Schirren

Chris Lelliott will introduce this fascinating cross between rug making and crochet. **Bring:** *scissors, old machine-made sweaters to cut up and a similar composition of yarn (eg acrylic with acrylic) plus a schirren hook (KCG Trading stocks them). Please check for the exact requirements in April or May – it may be possible to use other hooks you already own.*

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Friday 26 June: Informal get together to knit/crochet/natter.

Friday 10 July: The Guild's Collection

The Guild possesses one of the most extensive collections of knitted and crocheted artefacts in the UK. This is your chance to get your (gloved) hands on some of them. A talk by Liz Gillett on highlights and recent additions to the Collection.

Friday 24 July: Informal get together to knit/crochet/natter.

Friday 14 August: Starting and ending

There's more than one way to cast on and off. **Bring:** *examples of casting on and off that you like to use.* A members' evening to share ideas.

Friday 28 August: Informal get together to knit/crochet/natter.

Friday 11 September: Entrelac (without the fiddly triangles)

Traditional approaches to entrelac (literally 'entwined') knitting require triangles at all the edges. Emily Lynne Wilcox's method does not. Mary Hawkins will show how to work this construction technique. It is equally suitable for crochet although Mary will concentrate on knitting. **Bring:** *two colours of smooth double knitting yarn plus a pair of 4mm pins (or your crochet things if you want to 'convert').* A hands-on evening with a regular visitor.

Friday 25 September: Informal get together to knit/crochet/natter.

Friday 9 October: Double Knitting

Find out how to knit a fabric that looks like stocking stitch on both sides and so is ideal for items where both sides are visible, such as scarves, or for reversible garments. **Bring:** *two colours of smooth double knitting yarn plus a pair of 4mm pins.* A workshop with Lesley Fidler.

Friday 23 October: Informal get together to knit/crochet/natter.

Friday 13 November: Stars

Helen Jordan will lead a workshop on Stars in time for Christmas. **Bring:** *your choice of festive yarn and a suitable crochet hook.*

Friday 27 November: Informal get together to knit/crochet/natter.

Friday 12 December 2009: Looking backwards and forwards

What have you made in 2009? What knitting and crochet extravaganzas have you bought? What new ideas have you met? What are you going to make next year? *The traditional social evening with a faith (=pooled=Jacob's join) supper.* **Bring:** *a little finger food to share, your 2009 successes and 'unintended results' and your plans for next year.*

Friday 8 January 2010:

The first meeting of another year

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