

Thameside Lacemakers



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May 2019

Welcome to this our 40th Anniversary A.G.M.,

I hope you have all been able to admire our 40th Anniversary bunting decorating the hall today. Thank you to all who have donated a piece of lace to make such a wonderful display. Many thanks to Doreen Gower and Marilyn Mowatt for making all the lace letters and to Sally Chapman for the embroidered logo and dates. Special thanks also to Penny Lindsay, who took on the mammoth task of making the pennants, sewing all the pieces of lace on and assembling the bunting.

Dawn

Occasionally, very occasionally I can be totally serious (it was very difficult,) and today's newsletter is one of those occasions. Apart from the anniversary celebrations, the newsletter is purely a working document for the AGM. - No jokes! But I did find a pattern on file, which I have copied. Also on a very serious note, my laser printer has died for the last time. No resurrection this time, so I have gone out and bought another one - not laser, but inkjet - one which will print A3 - not that I have tried it yet. Time will tell how I get on with it, but it does print A4 on both sides, so the newsletter still has life.

So what have we got to look forward to? Marilyn is finally standing down after her 'temporary' appointment and Penny will be stepping up to the reigns for another 'temporary' assignment? New members to join the committee to give it new impetus? New members to give new life to *Thameside Lacemakers*? Who knows what the AGM. Will throw up.

Finally don't forget the Christmas competition **RUBY**.

Happy lacing
Bob

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THAMESIDE LACEMAKERS
TO BE HELD ON 11th MAY, 2019
AT ALL SAINTS' CHURCH HALL FOYLE DRIVE SOUTH OCKENDON RM15 5HF

A G E N D A

members attending

1. APOLOGIES

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 12th MAY, 2018 AS CORRECT RECORD.

Proposed:

Seconded:

3. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Proposed:

Seconded:

4. TREASURER'S REPORT AND APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS

Proposed:

Seconded:

5. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR

Proposed:

Seconded:

6. NOMINATIONS FOR COMMITTEE

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

the amount of members we have attending. There was also the suggestion that we find the cheapest hall and just use that instead of using different locations or to cut meetings to 4 instead of 5 a year. Or indeed cut the hours down that we hire the hall for.

The committee were asked to send a gift of appreciation to Napaphan for the little bags she has sent for us all on two different occasions. It was suggested maybe a nice set from Chris Parsons of pricker/pin lifter. Leah and Kay told us that the Post Office have issued new guidelines about which metals can be sent abroad through the post so Marilyn will check with Chris.

Margaret thanked the Committee on behalf of other members for their work in keeping the group going.

Meeting closed at 12.25pm.

Chairman's Report 2019

Well 2018/19 has had its ups and downs. Firstly we had to find some new halls, which is not easy on a tight budget. We tried two different halls, the first was Corringham Baptist Church which although nice but small and also the parking was not suitable. The second was St John's in Tilbury, which judging by your comments in the book you liked better so the Committee have decided to just use that one and All Saints' in South Ockendon for the foreseeable future.

We started the year by asking you all to make a small piece of white lace to go onto bunting and did you come up trumps. The finished item looks fantastic, well done all. Thank you to Penny for all the hard work in completing it – on time too!!

Our lacedays have been lovely friendly days punctuated by delicious cakes. Attendance has been around 20-30 members, we do try not to clash with any other groups. Suppliers are getting harder to find, retiring etc. and our low numbers doesn't help, but it gives us more time to mingle. Perhaps those of you with extra special talents might be encouraged to do a workshop for the rest of us. On that note look out for Septembers laceday.

We also had one of our famous Auctions and raised some much needed funds for Thameside Lacemakers, thank you to all who supported it.

The Christmas Competition "A 100 years Since..." was won by Jane Tyson Novice Trophy and Dawn Derrick Harris Cup. Well done to you both. Don't forget Ruby!

Sally our Librarian has started reorganising the library, trying to condense it as storage is an issue, so we are selling some of the books. These are being notified in the Newsletters so watch out for these and bag yourself a good book.

May I take this opportunity to thank all the Committee members for all their hard work, Thameside Lacemakers can't exist without them, so if you feel you would like to join the 'team' then let us know. I would also like to thank Chris and Sharon who although not on the Committee have helped tremendously over the last few years.

This is the last Chairman's report I shall be writing as I am standing down this year. I am really pleased that Thameside Lacemakers has made it to its 40th year and it has been a pleasure arranging our Ruby Anniversary.

When Wendy (Aitkin) attached the microphone on me at a laceday and said I was now Chairman, I didn't think I would hold the post for over 15 years. We have had some fun along the way, our own Lace Fair, various workshops, quite a few Auctions for

various charities and a few Anniversaries. But it is time to hand over to someone else and I know you are in safe hands.

Thank you all for your support, this isn't goodbye as I am staying on the Committee, but good luck to Penny, I am sure you will enjoy it as I have.

Marilyn Mowatt

THAMESIDE LACEMAKERS

ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2018

<u>DEBIT</u>	£	<u>CREDIT</u>	£	<u>CASH</u>	<u>CURRENT A/C</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
		Brought forward end 2017		£ 95.22	£ 2080.95	£ 2176.17
Membership	-	Membership	270.00			
Hall Hire	690.00	Hall Hire	-			
Speakers	40.00	Lace Day Tickets	351.50			
Catering	45.49	Catering	-			
Lace Day Bobbins	16.50	Lace Day Bobbins	-			
Raffles	36.85	Raffles	198.97			
Stock/Donation	40.75	Stock/Sales	22.50			
Newsletters	154.27		-			
<u>Sundry Costs</u>		<u>Sundry Income</u>				
Stationery	-	Sale of Goods	-			
Bursary Awards	-					
Lace Guild Membership	31.00					
Competition Bobbins						
Donation			206.60			
Total	1054.94		1049.57	100.58	2181.45	2282.03
End of Balance						2282.03
Profit/Loss						105.86

Audited by A. De'Ath 26-3-2019.

Treasurer's Report 2018

Good News! We finished the year in the black. This was achieved largely by the the proceeds of an auction and the sale of books from the library boosting our funds. Changing to different halls reduced the cost of our lacedays. Membership increased slightly. The Bursary was not awarded.

Iris Sumner. Treasurer

Application for Thameside Lacemaker's Association - Membership 2019/20 (RENEWAL/NEW) I wish to renew my Membership and enclose a cheque/postal order for the sum of £5.00 * made payable to Thameside Lacemakers, together with a stamped, addressed envelope.

NAME	ADDRESS	Title	Membership No
			POST CODE

*** Junior Members £2.50**

Please forward to Membership Secretary –*Dawn Derrick*

PLEASE PRINT THROUGHOUT

Tickets for Lace Days: Send a sae and cheque/postal order, made payable to Thameside Lacemakers, or make a reservation for your ticket by telephone. ***Doreen with "Tickets", NUMBER and your NAME don't fail to come and enjoy a Lace Day because you haven't got a ticket in advance.*** It can be collected on the door but we do like to know, numbers, in advance, for catering and seating.

Application for tickets on 13th July at All Saints' church hall, Foyle Drive RM15 5HF and on 7th September at All Saints' church hall, Foyle Drive RM15 5HF

(Bring a mug to all lacedays.)

Please send me ticket(s) @ £4.00 each, (£5.50 non-members) for (date)

Name:

Membership No.

Address:

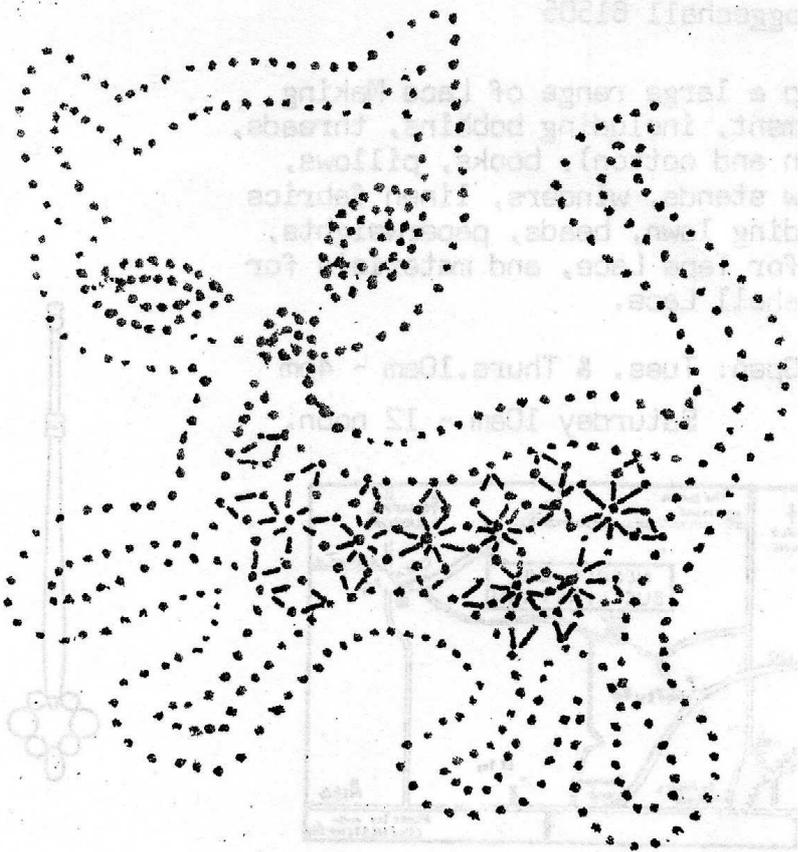
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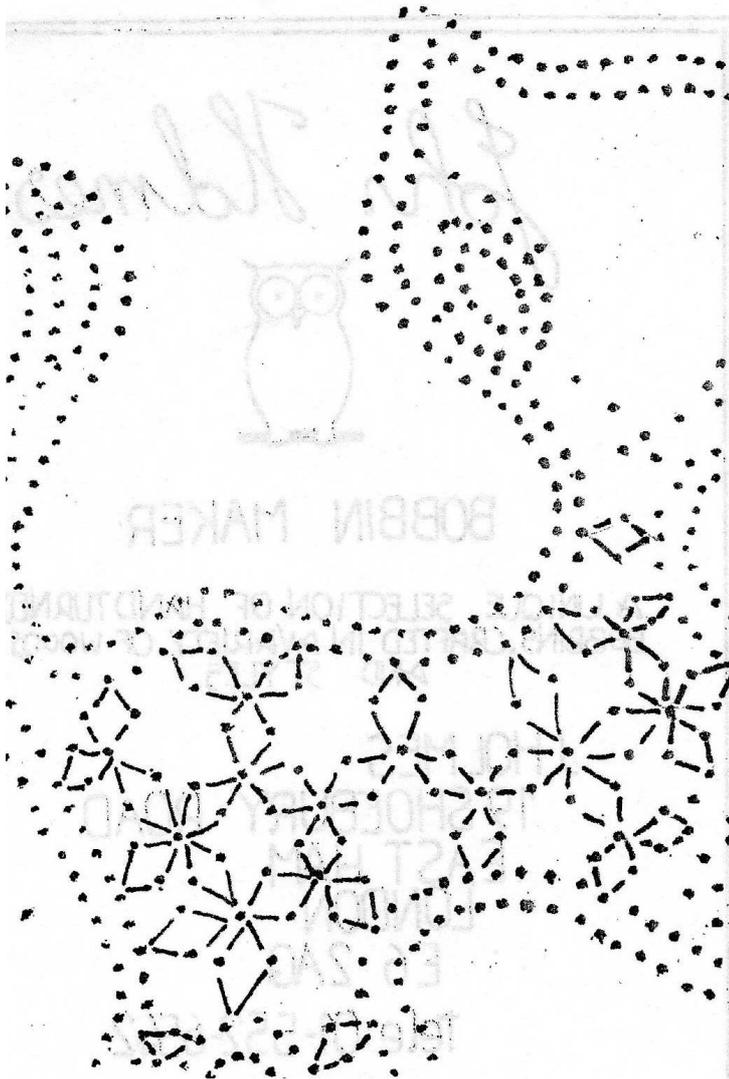
Please attach list of all names and Membership Nos. if applying for more than one ticket
I enclose a sae and cheque/postal order, made payable to Thameside Lacemakers, for the sum
of
£

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Thameside Lacemakers' Diary

	Date	Event	Location	Cost	Supplier(s)	Speaker/Topic
2019	13th Jul-19	Lace Day 10-4	All Saints' Church Hall, Foyle Drive. S Ockendon RM15 5HF	£4.00 (£5.50 non-members)		
	7th Sept-19	Lace Day 10-4	All Saints' Church Hall, Foyle Drive. S Ockendon RM15 5HF	£4.00 (£5.50 non-members)		
	30th Nov-19	Lace Day 10-4	St. John's Church Hall, Dock Rd. RM18 7PP Tilbury	£4.00 (£5.50 non-members)		
	22nd Feb-20	Lace Day 10-4	T.B.A	£4.00 (£5.50 non-members)		
2020	9th May-20	A.G.M. Lace Day 10-4	T.B.A	£4.00 (£5.50 non-members)		
	11th July-20	Lace Day 10-4	T.B.A	£4.00 (£5.50 non-members)		
	12th Sept-20	Lace Day 10-4	T.B.A	£4.00 (£5.50 non-members)		
	28th Nov-20	Lace Day 10-4	T.B.A	£4.00 (£5.50 non-members)		
			<u>Contact:</u>			<u>Contact:</u>
	South Essex Lacemakers				Essex Lacemakers	
	meet 2nd Friday of Month at St. Catharine's Church Hall Wickford					
					Lacedays:	
	Thames Eastury Lacemakers				11-May-19	
					22-Jun-19	
	21-Sep-19	Lace Day			19-Oct-19	Lace Day
	23-Nov-19	Lace Day			07-Dec-19	Lace Day
	Suffolk Lacemakers					
	Hornchurch Lacemakers				Bishop's Stortford	
	Tues 2-4pm; HX Library				Day Meetings on 3rd Wednesday in Month. Contact Val.	
					Annual Laceday:	
					Saturday "Get Togethers":	
					Workshops	
	Thameside Lacemakers					
	Events Sec- Doreen Gower					
					Norfolk Lacemakers	
					Meetings bi-monthly on 1st Sat. in Month	
	(SAE Please for maps, tickets, etc.)				Laceday: (See www.norfolkacemakers.org.uk)	
	You may also ring Doreen to say you are coming and pay for and collect tickets on the door.					
	We must know names & numbers coming.				N.B. Entrance to hall not open until 10.00am (to allow us to set up please)	
	*NB. We cannot be held responsible for any errors printed here.				Entrance fee to Lacedays as stated	
					It is essential that ALL attendees must be 'signed in'.	
					Please remember to show your Membership Card	

Here is the list of books from the TLM library that will be for sale at the May Lace Day:

- Complete Book of Beads (Coles & Budwig)
- Hardanger Embroidery (DMC)
- Needlepoint Miniatures (Higginson)
- A Stitch in Time (Stubbs)
- Embroidery with Beads (Thompson)
- Blackwork (Barnett)
- Introduction to Honiton Lace (Thompson)

These will be £5.00 each, but reasonable offers will be considered.

We will also be selling some old Lace magazines for 50p each.

All proceeds will go to TLM funds.

Sally