



**The Thirty-Seventh Annual General Meeting
of The Lace Guild
Saturday 6 April 2013
The Holy Trinity International School, Kidderminster
at 14:00**



Agenda

1. Chairman's Welcome
2. Apologies for Absence
3. Minutes of the 36th Annual General Meeting
4. Amendments
5. Trustees' Report
6. Chairman's Remarks
7. Adoption of Trustees Report
8. Treasurer's Report
9. Adoption of Treasurer's Report
10. Election of Independent Examiner of the Accounts
11. Resolutions and Amendments to Constitution
12. Subscriptions for 2013/2014
13. Executive Committee for 2013/2014
14. Date and Place of 2014 AGM
15. Close of Business Meeting
16. Presentation of Awards and Open Forum

Your Executive committee will be recommending the following subscription rates for 2013/2014

Full Member (Paper copy of Lace)	UK £28.00	Europe £33.00	Overseas £37.50
Full Member (UK) paying by Direct Debit	UK £25.00		
Full Member (Electronic copy of Lace)		Worldwide £25.00 (when available)	
Student Member (Over 16 and in full time education)		UK £17.50	
Associate Member		Worldwide £14.00	
Young Lacemakers			
Under18	UK £10.00	Europe £12.00	Overseas £14.00
Adult/Teacher	UK £15.00	Europe £17.00	Overseas £19.00

Under The Lace Guild Constitution which came into effect in May 2012, The Lace Guild is managed by an Executive Committee consisting of Chairman, Vice Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary, and up to seven other elected members.

The following continue to serve:

Chairman	Jacquie Tinch
Vice Chairman	Mary Coleman
Treasurer	Jenny Minet
Secretary	Jane Partridge
Ordinary members	Hazel Calcott Doreen Creed Pat Hoath Mavis Thompson

Liz Baker resigned in December 2012.

The following has been duly nominated and elected unopposed: Andrea Gaskell (ordinary member)

The Executive Committee may co-opt further ordinary members with full voting rights to serve until the next election is held.

Proxy forms may be obtained from The Hollies (please enclose an sae with your request) and must be returned to The Honorary Secretary c/o The Lace Guild, The Hollies, 53 Audnam, Stourbridge, West Midlands DY8 4AE by no later than 2pm on Wednesday 3 April 2013.

Resolutions Proposed by the Executive Committee to be voted on at the AGM in Kidderminster on 6 April 2013

Your Executive Committee propose the introduction of the new category of Student membership which they hope will encourage students aged 16 and over to join The Lace Guild. The requirement will be that those Students are in full time education and provide evidence of this on joining the Guild and upon each renewal of membership.

The Committee propose to remove group membership (this will not affect group insurance as long as one member of the group is a member of The Lace Guild) in order to encourage individuals to join the Guild in their own right.

As the Guild now has separate subscription rates for Young Lacemakers aged under and over 18 years, the Executive Committee propose to change the wording of the relevant clause in the constitution so that those over 18 who are not teachers, but for whom membership of Young Lacemakers is appropriate, may join this section of the Guild.

You will note in the Agenda that there are proposals for two new subscription rates; firstly for electronic membership (where Lace is received electronically instead of in paper format) and secondly for those paying their subscription by direct debit. The Executive Committee do not believe that these two proposals require specific mention in the constitution.

The Proposals are:

1. To remove Group membership at all levels.
2. To introduce a new Student category of membership
3. To make the following changes to the Constitution:-
 - a) To replace 'Young Lacemakers club' with 'Young Lacemakers' throughout.
 - b) Section IV Membership:
 - i) To delete clause f) relating to group membership.
 - ii) To renumber current clause e) as clause f) and amend to read as follows:-
'f) Every individual, student and associate member will have one vote.'
 - iii) To insert a new clause e):-
'e) Student membership is available to those aged 16 and above who are in full time education. (Proof of eligibility will be required) Student members have limited rights which will be defined by the Executive Committee from time to time.'
 - iv) To amend clause g) to read:-
'g) Membership of the Young Lacemakers' section of The Lace Guild is available to all who are interested in lace and are under 18 years of age. Lacemakers and teachers aged 18 and over are also eligible to join Young Lacemakers on payment of the appropriate subscription. Young Lacemakers have limited rights which will be defined by the Executive Committee from time to time.'
 - v) To delete clause h) relating to group membership if the amendment to clause g) above has been adopted.
 - vi) To renumber clauses as appropriate.

The Lace Guild 21st Annual Convention
Holy Trinity International School, Kidderminster, DY10 2BY
5–6 April 2013
'Dressed to Kill'

Friday 5 April 2013

14.00 – 17.00	Adult Workshops
17.00 – 19.00	Lace Guild Reception for registration and information, Sales, Suppliers, Displays etc
19.00 – 22.00	Lace-In
19.30	Fish and chip supper
21.00	Talk: Pauline Hardwick: In Accord

Saturday 6 April 2013

09.00 – 17.00	Lace Guild Reception for registration and information: Sales, Suppliers, Displays, Short Talks (see the display board for times), Library etc.
09.30 – 12.30	Adult Workshops
10.00 – 12.00	YLM Workshop
13.45 for 14.00	Business Meeting AGM
17.30	Talk: David Springett: 'Ethel Nettleship and Her Lace'
18.30 for 19.00	Dinner
After dinner talk:	Scilla Stephenson '400 years of Lacemaking in an East Midlands Market Town'

Displays

Lace Guild Museum, Education, Assessments, Competition, Library, Lace Magazine, Young Lacemaker Magazine, Publications, 'Fit for a Princess' challenge entries.

Activities

Lace Café to sit, chat and make lace. Lace handling and study area.

Sales

Lace Guild Sales, Museum Sales, 50/50 Sales, Raffle

Invited Groups

Shrewsbury Lacemakers, Wolverhampton Lace Group, Wyre Forest Lacemakers, Stourbridge Tatting Group.

Suppliers

Acorn Bobbins, David Davis (bobbins), Goldwork by Caroline, The Guild of Needlelaces, Makeit, Pandorian Beads, Patan Crafts (pillow bags etc), PollyJane Yarns, Ring of Tatters, Christine and David Springett.

There is a lift to the 1st and 2nd floors. Workshops will be held on the first floor.

The auditorium can be reached from the 2nd floor by going down a few stairs.

Parking is free at the school.

Sunday 7 April 2013 At The Hollies, 53 Audnam, Stourbridge, DY8 4AE 10.00 – 16.00

Come and see our Headquarters, visit the Library, see new acquisitions in the Exhibition Room.

Get close to the lace with the digital microscope. Find out how you could adapt some of the huge number of prickings using cut and paste or a computer program.

As The Hollies is not very large, if you are there at a busy time you might like to also visit the Red House Glass Cone, (where you can get coffee or lunch as they have a café) or one of the other related museums. See this issue of Lace for more details.

Delegate Fee

This covers all Friday and Saturday activities apart from workshops and meals.

Pre-booked member £10.00

non-member £13.00

At the venue member £12.00

non-member £15.00

All pre-booked delegates will receive a free goody bag.

Friday Lace-in (if not paying a delegates fee) £2.50 (member) £3.50 (non-member)

Saturday afternoon pass 14.00 – 17.00 only £5.00

Members attending AGM only do not need to pay, unless staying after the AGM.

Carers: There is no delegate fee for carers of disabled delegates unless they are taking part in a workshop.

Please complete a separate booking form for each person, writing "Carer" in the 'type of delegate' section

Book your meals on the booking form

Young Lacemakers: There is no delegate fee for Young Lacemakers under 18 years old OR for people who attend Convention solely as parents/ guardians of these Young Lacemakers.

Please complete a separate booking form for each person, writing "YLM" or "Supporter" as appropriate in the 'type of delegate' section. Book your meals on the booking form.

Friday Lace-In - Fish and Chip Supper
 Battered Haddock and Chips, served with
 Mushy Peas or Garden Peas
 Or
 Vegetarian Lasagne with Chips and Peas
 Homemade Apple Crumble with Custard

Member £ 7.50

Non-member £ 9.50

Saturday Three Course Convention Dinner

Roasted Pepper and Tomato Soup
 Or
 Homemade Chicken Pate

Stuffed Chicken Breast with Mozzarella and Basil, Wrapped
 in Parma Ham, with a Rich Gravy

Or

Vegetable Moussaka

(Both served with roast potatoes a selection of vegetables)

Ice Cream

Or

Lemon Torte

Member: £15.00

Non-member: £17.00

There is no bar – you may like to bring your own drinks. Water will be provided!

Saturday Buffet Lunch including Sandwich Selection, Mini Quiches, Cajun Chicken Skewers, Homemade Crisps and Mini Chocolate Brownies. **Member: £5.50** **non-member: £7.50**

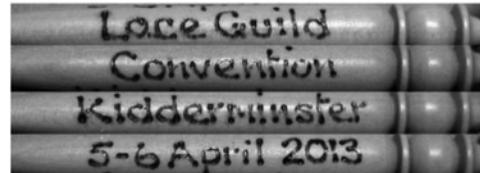
Tea and Coffee with Biscuits £1.50 for as many drinks as wanted throughout the day.

Convention Bobbins Pre order on Booking Form - Pay Supplier on the day

Acorn Bobbins - bone -	spangled - £9.00	Honiton -	£8.50
David Davis - wood -	spangled - £3.50	Honiton -	£3.00



Acorn bobbin



David Davis bobbin

Friday Lace-In

Bring your pillow, knitting needles, tatting shuttles, hooks or whatever you need to make lace. Come and enjoy a social evening with old and new friends.

50/50 Sales

Bring your unwanted threads, books, bobbins etc to sell on the 50/50 stand. The proceeds will be divided equally between The Lace Guild and yourself. Items and monies not collected will go to The Lace Guild.

Please collect a form from reception and complete it **before** taking the goods to the 50/50 stand.

Second Hand Books

A good selection of second hand books will be available for sale on The Lace Guild Library stand.

Threads4Fun

This is a Competition for Young Lacemakers. Enter the best piece of lace you have made this year. See Young Lacemaker 115 for full details and an entry form.

Convention Competition

The competition for 2012 is '**Blue John**'

Don't forget this is a free, fun competition with small prizes. You may enter more than one piece.

Please bring your entry to the Education stand by 10.00am on Saturday morning where you will be asked to fill out an entry form.

We will need your permission to use photographs of your lace in the magazine or on the website.

We would like to keep for display as many of the entries as possible to use for an exhibition at The Hollies after Convention and also in Castleton, Derbyshire (the home of Blue John stone) in December, so we will ask your permission for those two events as well.

Saturday delegates will be invited to vote for their favourite piece. Voting will close at 4.30pm on Saturday and the winners announced at the Dinner.

If you would like your piece returned by post, please provide an addressed envelope for its return. We would greatly appreciate some stamps on the envelope towards the cost of postage.

Adult Workshops:**Two part Workshops: Part 1 - Friday 14.00 – 17.00, Part 2 - Saturday 9.30 - 12.30**

A1 Early Bobbin Lace	Gil Dye
A2 Jigsaw Lace	Claire Allen
Members £20.00	non-members £25.00 for both parts

Friday - 14.00 – 17.00

B1 Needlelace for Beginners and Improvers	Carol Hughes
B2 Neat Starts and Finishes	Jean Leader
B3 Rosaline Lace	Judith Cordell

Saturday - 9.30 - 12.30

C1 Knitted Wire Flowers	Deborah Robinson
C2 Manipulating Miniature Snowflakes	Anna Winter
C3 Have Fun with Colour and Texture	Kitty Mason
C4 Painting Lace Bobbins	Alison Tolson
C5 Add Beads to Crochet	Sue Dane

3 hour workshop: Members £12.00 Non-members £15.00**Saturday 'Drop-in' Workshop - 9.30 and 11.00**

Dyeing in a Plastic Bag Eve Corrall

There will be a small charge for materials, and a donation to The Lace Guild is always appreciated.**Young Lace Maker Workshop – 10.00 – 12.00**

The Legend of the Christmas Spider Denise Smith

This is free to under 18 year old Young Lacemaker Members.

Non-members will be charged £4.50 which will be deductible from the membership fee if they decide to join.

This must be booked as places are limited - please fill in the special section of the booking form that came with this magazine, making sure it has been signed by a parent or guardian. All equipment and materials will be provided.**Young Lacemakers must be accompanied at all times by the responsible adult named on the application form.****Details of all workshops appear elsewhere in this magazine**

Workshops are always popular and early application is advised but our aim is to find a place for every delegate on at least one workshop of their choice and we are therefore restricting initial allocation to **one** per delegate. As workshops fill quickly, occasionally this is not possible so it would help us if you could give alternatives. Please fill in the relevant section of the Booking Form.

If there is a second session you would like to attend, tick the 'second workshop' box. These requests will be considered if there are any workshop spaces still available **after Friday 22 February 2013**.

*Applications from non-members will also be considered if spaces are available after 22 February 2013*Do **not** send any payment for this second workshop, pay at the Convention.**'Sunday at Stourbridge' - 7 April 2013 10.00 - 16.00**

These workshops are free, supported by a grant from **Arts Council England** and the **Marches Network**. Please reserve a space using the booking form as numbers are limited.

SS1 11.00	Using a basic photo programme to distort a pricking from traditional to contemporary	Mary Coleman
SS2 14.00	Drawing up and altering a pricking using a graphics programme (including free options)	Ann Day



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Helpers needed - Stewards will be needed at different times over the weekend to ensure that people get to the right places at the right time and also to assist with manning stands for an hour. Please sign up at Lace Guild Reception.

For accommodation in the local area please contact: 01299 404740 or www.visitworcestershire.org

Please complete a separate form for each delegate and return to arrive at The Hollies between Monday 11 February 2013 and Friday 1 March 2013.

Photocopies are acceptable. Please keep a copy for your records.

Send your completed form(s) to: **'Convention'**, The Lace Guild, The Hollies, 53 Audnam, Stourbridge, DY8 4AE

5 - 6 April 2013

Lace Guild AGM and Convention

Holy Trinity International School, Kidderminster, DY10 2BY



Registration from 5pm on Friday 5 April
3 hour workshops: 2.00pm on Friday and 9.30am on Saturday (must be booked in advance)
AGM at 2.00pm on Saturday

Friday Lace in - 7pm, Saturday dinner - 7pm. After dinner talks: 'In Accord' from Pauline Hardwick (Friday) and '400 years of lace in an East Midlands market town' from Scilla Stevenson (Saturday).
On Saturday at 5.30pm David Springett will talk about 'Ethel Nettleship and Her Lace'

11 suppliers attending:

**Acorn Bobbins, David Davis (bobbins), Goldwork by Caroline,
The Guild of Needlelaces, Makeit, Pandorian Beads,
Patan Crafts (pillow bags etc), PollyJane Yarns, Ring of Tatters,
Christine and David Springett and of course The Lace Guild**

Displays from The Lace Guild Museum, Shrewsbury Lacemakers, Wolverhampton Lace Group, Wyre Forest Lacemakers, Stourbridge Tatting Group

**Weekend entrance: members £12.00, non Lace Guild members £15.00
(reduction of £2.00 and goody bag on all tickets booked in advance)**

Saturday afternoon only pass (shopping and displays: 2 – 5pm): £5.00

Entrance to the AGM only is free to all members

**Come and join us for an exciting weekend
of lace, lacemaking and shopping!**

For more details contact: The Lace Guild, 53 Audnam, Stourbridge, West Midlands DY8 4AE
visit www.laceguild.org.uk