

## The Sherborne Vase Challenge 2019

**The Sherborne Vase** was donated by Sherborne and District MKC to challenge groups of people working together. With agreement from the Sherborne Club, a few changes have been made since it was introduced in 2002, but the principle remains the same.

### The challenge

Queen Victoria was born in 1819, making 2019 the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of her birth. The Sherborne Challenge this year has the theme of “The Victorian Age”, and the challenge is to make something evocative of that time. The entry can be from any part of the Victorian era, which ran from June 1837 (Victoria came to the throne) to January 1901 (when Victoria died).

### The rules

1. Each entry must be worked on by a group of at least three people, and the majority of the group must be Guild members. The names (and membership numbers of Guild members) of all those working on the entry must be included on the entry form.
2. All major components *must* be machine knitted, and 90% of the entry as a whole *must* be machine knitted. Beading, embroidery, and non-knitted trimmings are permitted but must total less than 10% of an entry.
3. Each entry must be packed into a box or mailing bag that complies with the Royal Mail Small Parcel range of **Max length: 45cm, Max width: 35cm, Max depth: 16cm, Max weight: 2kg.** (It could be smaller.)
4. The judges need some additional information about how you worked together as a group: who did what, what problems you encountered and how they were overcome. This challenge is for a collaborative effort, worked on equally by the participating knitters.

A small tag may be attached to each individual item, if applicable, identifying it as A, B, C and so on to help in the description of the work, but the tag must not contain any other information or identifying marks.

The names of the knitters (or any other identifying information) must **not** be included with the information for the judges. Please call yourselves knitter 1, knitter 2 and so on.

5. The judges' decision is final.
6. All entries will be displayed at the National Guild Day and AGM in June 2019 (date to be confirmed).

Entries can then be collected, returned by post or donated to a charity nominated by us. Please send a cheque/postal order or stamps to cover the return postage if you are not collecting the entry or donating it to the charity of our choice.

**Closing date for submission of entry: Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2019**

Please send your entry to:

Guild of Machine Knitters 2019 Challenge c/o Alison Peck, 48 Elm Avenue, Sandiacre,  
Nottingham, NG10 5EJ

# GUILD OF MACHINE KNITTERS



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**Club/Group Name** .....

**Contact Address**.....

..... **Post Code** .....

**Telephone Number** ..... **E-mail Address**.....

### Participant Names and Membership Numbers (continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

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<b>Techniques used</b>	<b>Machines used</b>
	<b>Yarns used</b>

### Information for judges (on a separate attached sheet, please):

- how you worked together as a group (who did what, describing yourselves as knitter 1, knitter 2, etc)
- what problems you encountered and how they were overcome

*We agree that our entry may be exhibited and that our Group name and a photograph of the entry placed in the Guild Newsletter, on the Guild website and in other material used to promote the Guild (whether printed or online).*

Signature ..... (On behalf of the Club/Group) Date .....

Our entry will be **collected by**...../please **post back/donate** to charity  
(delete as appropriate)

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Remember to enclose a cheque/postal order/stamps to cover return postage for your entry if it is to be posted back. This may be sent separately, but if so please clearly indicate your name and address so we can match it to your entry. Please make cheques payable to *Guild of Machine Knitters*