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to get knitting now, to help us

Paint the Town Red!

with poppies

**Closing Date:
29 September 2017**

POPPIES IN SPENNYMOOR

Spennymoor Town Council continues to be a great supporter of the Armed Forces, which has included granting the Freedom of the Town to the RIFLES, flying the Armed Forces Day Flag and hosting the Remembrance Service in the Town Hall and assisting with the subsequent parade.

The Council are now inviting people to knit poppies to create a poppy display at the cenotaph in the Town Centre.

The poppies will be displayed from mid-October, to align with the sterling efforts of the British Legion and its annual Poppy Appeal, to Sunday 19th November.

The Town Council would like to thank those who have been knitting already and dropping poppies off at the Town Hall, and would now encourage others to join in and help commemorate those who have fought for this great country of ours.

A knitting pattern is available on the Town Council Website:

www.spennymoor-tc.gov.uk/

Hard copies can be collected from the Town Hall.

Knitted poppies are to be delivered to Spennymoor Town Council by Friday 29 September 2017.



Knit Remember Poppy Patterns

Knitted Field Poppy Pattern

Yarn – any red and black
Needles – any appropriate size

Size of the finished poppy should be no smaller than the paper ones sold for Remembrance Day



Method

Petals: (Make 4) Using red, cast on 7sts.

1st row: (RS) K

2nd row: Kfb, k to last 2 sts, kfb, k1. 9 sts.

3rd row: As 2nd row. 11 sts.

4th row: As 2nd row. 13 sts.

5th – 8th row: K.

9th row: Ssk twice, k to last 4 sts. K2tog twice. 9sts.

10th – 12th row: K.

13th row: As 9th row. 5 sts.

14th – 16th row: K

17th row: K1, sk2po, k1. 3 sts.

18th row: K. Cast off

Centre: Using black, cast on 16 sts. Cast off.

Making Up:

Joining cast off edges, sew petals together in pairs, then place one pair over the other in a cross formation and secure. Coil centre into a tight spiral and sew base in the centre of petals. Maintain the petals in a cup shape with a small stitch behind pairs of petals.

If desired, centre can be worked in a green/yellow shade, with a circle of black straight stitches and French knots around it.

Specific abbreviation: Sk2po – slip one knit wise, K2tog, pass slipped stitch over.

Knit to Remember Poppy Patterns

Crocheted Poppy Pattern

Yarn – Any red and black, I used DK.

Hook – 3.5mm, but try larger too to see the effect.

Size of the finished poppy should be no smaller than the paper ones sold for Remembrance Day.



Petals

Round 1: Make a magic loop, make 10 dc in the loop and draw tight, join with ss.

Round 1 (alternative): Make a starting chain of 4, ss to form a circle. Make 10 dc in the circle and join with ss to first dc.

Round 2: * ch1, dc, ch1, 2tr in next st, 3tr in next st, (2tr ch1 tr) in next st, ss in next 2 st. rpt from * around and join with ss.

Round 3: *ch1 3dc in next 2 sts, 2dc in next 5 sts, 3dc in next 2 sts, ss in next 2 sts. Rpt from *around, fasten off.

The Centre

Make a magic loop, 8dc into loop, tighten and fasten off.

Completed poppies should be delivered to Spennymoor Town Council, Town Hall, Spennymoor, County Durham, DL16 6DG