Mark the Goat AND the Old Goat
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The reason for the names are that Mark Myers challenged me in May 2009 to make a goat!!!
The old goat (old git or nanny goat) is simply named after myself!!!
Both goats are worked in one pass with just one cut and tie at the end. To make a nanny goat leave out the horns and the 'beard'. Instructions are given.

Abbreviations

R	ring	Ch	chain
p or -	picot	Cl	Close ring
RW	Reverse work	DNRW	Do not reverse work
SS	Switch shuttles	vsp	Very small picot
B	bead	SR	Split ring
Fp	False picot	SCMR	Self closing mock ring
TW	Turn work need as in turning the page of a book		
SLT	Shoe lace trick (tie a knot)	BTWN	between

Skills required:- A knowledge of split rings, self closing mock ring and the continuous thread join OR split chain.

Materials required:- 2 shuttles and size 20 thread in the same colour on each shuttle. Add 2 beads to shuttle 2

Note – for those who prefer front side/back side tatting the text in italics and red indicates where the worker needs to use the second half of the ds first.

Centre of body

R1:   5 vsp 4 vsp 3 Cl RW
Ch: 6 RW
R2:   3 + (2nd vsp R1) 3 – 3 vsp 3 Cl RW
Ch: 6 RW
R3:   3 + (vsp R2) 4 vsp 5 Cl RW
Ch: 4 – 2 – 6 RW
R4:   5 + (vsp R3) 4 vsp 3 Cl RW
Ch: 3 – 3 RW
R5:   3 + (vsp R4) 3 – 3 vsp 3 Cl RW
Ch: 3 – 3 RW
R6:   3 + (vsp R5) 4 vsp 5 Cl RW
Ch: 6 – 6 RW
R7:   5 + (vsp R6) 4 vsp 3 Cl RW
Ch: 6 RW
R8:   3 + (vsp R7) 3 – 3 vsp 3 Cl RW
Ch: 6 RW
R9:   3 + (vsp R8) 4 vsp 5 Cl RW
Ch: 6 – 6 RW
R10: 5 + (vsp R9) 4 vsp 3 Cl RW
Ch: 3 – 3 RW SS
SCMR11:   3 + (vsp R10) 3 SS
        R: Fp 6 + (R8) 6 + (R5) 6 + (R2) 6 Cl SS
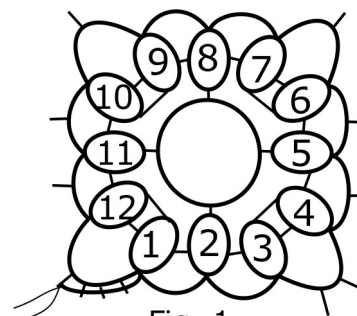   SCMR11:   Fp 3 vsp 3 Cl RW SS

Fig. 1

Ch: 3 – 3 RW

R12: 3 + (vsp SCMR11) 4 + (vsp R1) 5 Cl RW

Instead of the following chain and CTJ you can do a split chain instead. This would be worked as follows:-

Sch: 4 / 8

Ch: 4 – 2 vsp 2 vsp 2 vsp 2 Lj (base R1) TW SS

CTJ: UP through vsp's and picot on last Ch SLT

First back leg

SR13: 4 / 4 Cl

SR14: 3 / 5 Cl

SR15: 3 / 3 Cl

SR16: 3 vsp 1 / 4 Cl

R17: 1 + (vsp SR16) 12 Cl SS

Ch: 5 Lj (btwn SR16 & SR15) 4 Lj (btwn SR15 & SR14) 3 vsp 3 Lj (btwn SR14 & SR13) 4 Lj (p on Ch @ top SR13) 4 SS

Second back leg

SR18: 6 / vsp 5 Cl

SR19: 4 + (last vsp on previous Ch) 1 / 6 Cl

SR20: 4 / 4 Cl

SR21: 3 vsp 1 / 4 Cl

R22: 1 + (vsp SR21) 12 Cl SS

Ch: 5 Lj (btwn SR21 & SR20) 5 Lj (btwn SR20 & SR19) 6 Lj (btwn SR19 & SR18) 6 Lj (vsp top SR18) 2 RW

Back and Tail

R23: 6 + (p on Ch btwn R11 & R12) 3 – 3 Cl RW

Ch: 8 RW

R24: 3 + (R23) 3 + (p on Ch btwn R11 & R10) 3 – 3 Cl RW

Ch: 7 vsp 1 RW

R25: 3 + (R24) 5 + (p on Ch btwn R10 & R9) 8 Cl RW

SCMR26:   1 + (vsp last Ch) 3 – 1 – 1 vsp 1 SS

R: (graduated picots) 1 + (vsp SCMR26) 1 – 1 – 1 – 1 – 5 vsp 1 Cl SS

SCMR26:   1 + (vsp R) 4 vsp 2 Cl

Ch: 2 + (vsp SCMR26) 6 Lj (same p as R25 join) 6 Lj (base R9) 6 Lj (base R8) 6 Lj (base R7) 7 vsp 1 Lj (Ch btwn R7 & R6) SS
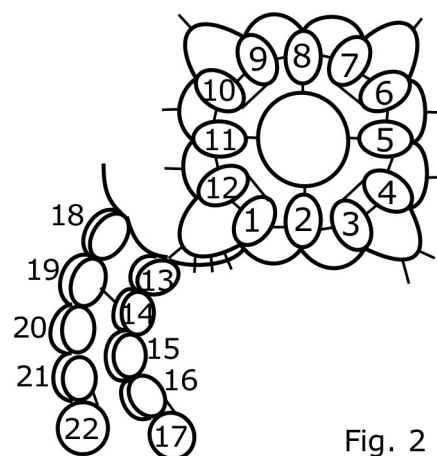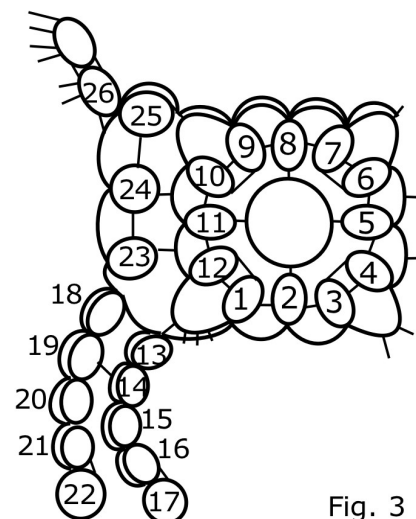
Neck

SR27: 1 + (vsp last Ch) 6 vsp 1 / 8 Cl

Fig. 2

Fig. 3

SR28: 1 + (vsp SR27) 6 vsp 1 / 7 vsp 1 Cl
Ear
R29:   1 + (vsp SR28) 4 – 6 Cl RW
Horn
Ch: 1 + (vsp SR28) 4 vsp 4 vsp 4 RW SS
Ch: vsp 5 Lj (vsp last Ch) 5 Lj (next vsp on
Ch) 3 vsp 2 Lj (vsp SR28) SS
If you find that your working shuttle doesn't
have the beads on at this point then SLT
Head & Lower Neck - move bead to back of
hand and keep there until 2nd half of SR
SR30: 2 + (vsp last Ch) 7 vsp 1 / 5 MB 4 Cl
move bead to back of hand
For a NANNY goat work SR30 as follows:-
SR30: 9 vsp 1 / 2 + (vsp SR28) 3 MB 4 Cl move
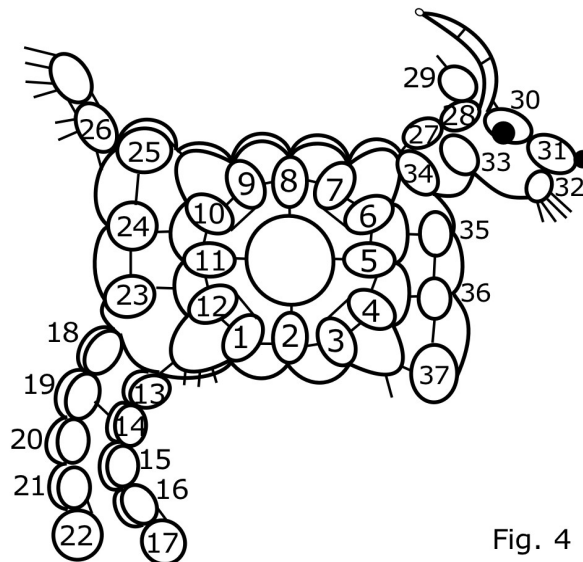bead from back of hand
SR31: 1 + (vsp SR30) 6 B 4 / 5 Cl
For a NANNY goat work SR32 as follows:-
SR32: 9 / 7Cl SS
SR32: 4 – 1 – 1 – 1 – 2 / 7 Cl SS
Ch: 5 RW
R33:   5 + (space btwn SR27 & SR28) 5 Cl RW
Ch: 6 RW
R34:   6 + (p on Ch btwn R6 & R7 starting place of SR27) 6 Cl RW
Ch: 6 RW
R35:   4 + (Ch btwn R6 & R5) 2 – 2 Cl RW
Ch: 8 RW
R36:   2 + (R35) 2 + (Ch btwn R5 & R4) 2 – 2 Cl RW
Ch: 6 RW
R37:   2 + (R36) 4 + (2nd p on Ch btwn R3 & R4) 4 Cl RW SS

Front legs - 1st
SR38: 6 / vsp 5 Cl
SR39: 5 / 6 Cl
SR40: 4 / 4 Cl
SR41: 3 vsp 1 / 4 Cl
R42:   1 + (vsp SR41) 12 Cl SS
Ch: 5 Lj (btwn SR41 & SR40) 4 Lj (btwn
SR40 & SR39) 3 vsp 3 Lj (btwn SR39 & SR38)
6 Lj (vsp R38) 4 SS
2nd front leg
SR43: 4 / vsp 4 Cl
SR44: 4 + (last vsp on previous Ch) 1 / 4 Cl
SR45: 3 / 3 Cl
SR46: 2 vsp 1 / 3 Cl
R47:   1 + (vsp SR46) 12 Cl SS
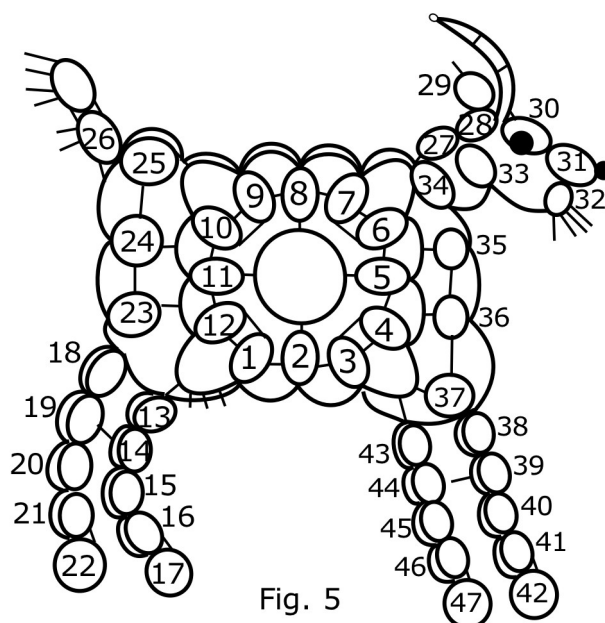Ch: 4 Lj (btwn SR46 & SR45) 4 Lj (btwn

Fig. 4

Fig. 5

SR45 & SR44) 4 Lj (btwn SR44 & SR43) 5 Lj (vsp SR43 & next p on Ch btwn R3 & R4) 4 Lj T
& C base of R3.

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