



KG Bytes

March 2017

From the Executive

Indie Yarn Tasting

A huge thank you to our two Indie Yarn Dyers who came and gave so much yarn joy at our Indie Yarn Tasting. Katrina (Pirate Purl) and Carrie (Handmade Travels) brought along their lovely items, explained their yarn journey and then provided us with the opportunity to purchase these wonderful products. I didn't hear a single word of disappointment in the room! Thank you for Katrina and Carrie.

These lovely ladies will also be attending the Yarn Delight in Guyra, along with additional retailers.

Additional Norah Workshops

The final details are being added to the additional Norah workshops. To entice you, Norah will be teaching some of the workshops she offered for Camp as well as some new classes.

We will also be having some presentations where we get to interact with Norah directly. Locations are being worked on, but the three hour workshops will be in Newcastle, Penrith, Sydney City and Queanbeyan. The cost of these workshops will be \$50 for members and \$60 for non-members.

Welcome to "Inner West"

A new "Inner West" Group is underway. They meet between 11am and 1pm on the third Thursday each month in the Common Room of the Camperdown Commons, Mallett St, Camperdown. If you are able to attend, I'm sure they would love to see you.

Group Meetings

Blacktown, 8th April

Brioche Knitting workshop with a foray into two-colour Brioche for those who have mastered basic Brioche.

Blue Mountains, 15th April

Learn about reading charts with Merrin Marks and enjoy a visit from The Australian Wool Store.

Epping Crochet, 13th April

Triangular motifs with interlocking circles inside. Any ply will do.

Epping, 3rd April

Guest speaker: Marie Clews, *My Travel in Yarn*.

Inner City, 8th April

Inner City is holding its giant annual yarn destash. This will be complemented by a discussion on yarn: drape, weight, fibres etc. Doors open for socialising from 10.30am, meeting begins at 11am.

Kiama, 18th March

Kiama member, Annette Hoskins, is going to lead a workshop in the making of twiddle mitts. Meeting begins at 11.00 am to enable us to cover this project.

Pittwater, 21st March

Learn the Mobius cast on with Jenny Howatson

Pittwater, 4th April

Learn sample square and knitting in the round.

Pittwater, 18th April

Learn German Short Row Shaping and magic loop with Krista Thompson.

Workshops

Knitted Jewellery – 25 March

Make beautiful and creative knitted jewellery that you will love to wear. You will knit an adult size bracelet from silk fibre incorporating beads (no pre-stringing).

Book via the Guild website.

Pop Blanket Workshop – 27 May

If you have always wondered how to knit a circle inside a square, then this is the workshop for you.

You will be shown all the skills needed to create the ever-popular Pop Blanket.

Book via the Guild website.

Using Ravelry Like a Pro - 22 July

For anyone who's heard of Ravelry, but isn't quite sure what it's for, or for those who've signed up for an account but don't really know where to begin.

Bookings will open soon, so please check the Guild website.

Knit Like a Viking! – 5 August

Back by popular demand! Learn how to knit a wire bangle, the Viking way.

Angharad Rixon will teach you to knit two stitches of an ancient wire knitting technique, known as Viking Knit.

The workshop includes materials and each participant will make their very own Viking Knit bangle to take home. Bookings are now open and can be made on the Guild website.

I can highly recommend this workshop, it was great fun and I can't stop wearing my bangle that I made in January! - Cynthia

Items for KG Bytes

KG Bytes is proving to be very popular among our members and we love hearing from you and including your information. If you would like to include something in KG Bytes, could you please forward it to the President by the 7th of the month.

Cynthia Mulholland, President
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Guild Events

A Yarn Delight in New England

30 April 2017 in Guyra

This event is shaping up to be a great day out. We will have retailers and tutorials and a great opportunity to mix and mingle with other members. Think about a road trip with your Group, I'm sure you won't be disappointed.

Gosford Show: A request from The Entrance Group

From this year, the Central Coast Regional Show (formerly the Gosford Show) will include Knitting and Crochet in its Arts and Crafts Competitions. This is being sponsored and enthusiastically organised by our group at The Entrance but to make it a success this year and ensure that it continues, it needs your support. So, if you're a regular entrant to these Shows, please include this one on your list and if you've hesitated to take part in the past, why not start with this fledgling competition?

The Show takes place at Gosford Showground on 29th and 30th April. Details of the Schedule and Entrance Fees can be found at <http://tinyurl.com/gu35asj>.

Epping Group Biggest Morning Tea – 15th May

Epping will be hosting a Biggest Morning Tea event on 15 May at 10am at the Epping Creative Centre. For details contact Anne Moore at tgmoore@bigpond.net.au or phone 9876 3522.

2017 Camp: 16-18 June 2017 at Galston Gorge

There are just a handful of places left for Camp this year. Once bookings close, we will have a waiting list. After registrations have closed, we'll write to all attendees to confirm workshop bookings and give further information about Camp.

We're currently organising other events to take place during the day for those not attending a workshop and activities for the Friday and Saturday evenings. So it's going to be an action-packed weekend or you can just knit, chat and shop. The choice is yours!

If you've booked and haven't paid yet, please remember that full payment is due by 15th May. And if you haven't booked yet, why not? We would suggest you do it now to avoid disappointment.

2018 US Knitting Tour

Thanks to all those wonderful members who have expressed their interest in participating in the 2018 US Knitting Tour. The tour has now been costed and a flyer on the tour is included at the end of this newsletter. If you have any queries, please contact Nicholas at iTravel Liverpool at sales@itravelliverpool.com.au or on 8880 7540. A big thank you to Gil Clark who has been co-ordinating this event.

Do You Have an Idea?

If you have an idea for a Guild event, we would love to hear from you. We're particularly interested in events that can be held in different parts of the state. If you have an idea, please contact me.

Convenors Corner

Group's Financial Records

If you haven't done so already, could each Group please send in their financial reports for the 2016 calendar year. We will need to present this information at the upcoming AGM in May. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Helen at treasurer@knittersguildnsw.org.au.

Other Events

Singleton Crafters World Record Event – 30 April

For those of you who can't attend the Yarn Delight in Guyra on the 30th of April, you might like to participate in the Guinness World Record Attempt for the most people crocheting in one place at the same time. 500 people are needed to break the current record. Registration is from 10am and the record attempt will take place at 11am. It's all happening in the Singleton Civic Centre, Queen Street, Singleton - right next door to the Singleton Library where the Guild Library is housed. More information is available on the Singleton Public Library Facebook Page.

Old Bus Depot Markets Celebration of Wool Day

Canberra's Old Bus Depot Markets Celebration of Wool Day is the most popular day of the year at these well-established markets. So much so, that this year they will be spreading it over two days – 20 and 21 May 2017. Put the date in your diary and drop past the Queanbeyan Group's stall to say hello when you come.



**Yarn Delight
in New England**

10.00am - 4.00pm Sunday, 30 April 2017

Guyra Central School, 27 Marne Street, Guyra NSW

A day of all things yarn in the heart of the New England

Tutorials,
demonstrations,
retailers and an
opportunity to
share your love
of knitting
and crochet.

Free Entry

Catering available

Further information is available by contacting Cynthia at
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