



October 2017

KG Bytes

From the Executive

Group Information Session - 30 September 2017

We had a wonderful Group Information session on the 30th of September. We had 28 people in attendance and some great ideas were flowing around how to encourage new members at local Groups. I hope to include a snapshot of what was discussed in the next KG Bytes.

AGM Season

As we now get closer to the end of the year, that means we are heading in to "AGM Season". As each Group holds their AGM, I would like to thank those members who have helped out and are now stepping down and to encourage other members to have a go and take on a role within their Group. I'm sure you'll agree that we are all supportive of each other and taking on a role doesn't have to be scary. Please remember to let our Secretary know about the outcome of your AGM. Sharon, our wonderful Secretary, can be contacted at secretary@knittersguildnsw.org.au. The information you send us not only helps the Executive, but it also goes up on our website for potential new members to find you.

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 at president@knittersguildnsw.org.au by the 7th of the month.

AGM

2017



Don't forget to tell us the results ...
secretary@knittersguildnsw.org.au

Group Meetings

Blue Mountains, 21st October

Clare will be giving an introduction to Ravelry and there will be a retail visit from Wooldancer.

Blue Mountains, 18th November

Ruth will be teaching "Waves Crochet" and there will be a retail visit from Belisa Cashmere. This is also our AGM.

Crochet Turramurra, 1st November

November is all about leaning Tunisian Lacy Wrap.

Inner City, 11th November

As well as conducting its AGM, the Inner City group will explore customising style and fit of knitted garments. All members are invited to contribute ideas on such matters as altering patterns for better fit, substituting stitch patterns, changing jumpers to cardigans and vice versa, and updating unfashionable garments.

Ku-ring-gai, 23rd October

Our AGM is scheduled for this meeting. This will be followed by a look at Norwegian Joining / Cast Off. Come prepared with two pieces (approx. 3 cm long) of stocking stitch of equal number of live stitches left on the needles.

Pittwater, 17th October

This meeting sees us celebrating our second birthday with special guest speaker, Sally Ogilvie.

Pittwater, 7th November

This meeting is all about the Melbourne Cup, including sweeps.

Woy Woy, 21st October

This month we are learning mini Mosaic (Slip Stitch) Knitting.

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Workshops

Sock Techniques with Sue Grandfield - 28 October

Sue Grandfield is a highly acclaimed designer and tutor. With designs included in the Wollmeise Sock Club and many more, we're very pleased to announce that Sue will be delivering a workshop on various sock knitting and construction techniques. This is a "hands-on" workshop and participants will get to knit a half scale sock in DK yarn and receive a pattern for a full sized, adult sock worked in sock yarn. Bookings are now open and can be made on the Guild website.

2018 Workshops

Our wonderful Workshops Convenor, Diane has put together some great workshops for 2018. These are still in the planning stages and bookings will go online as soon as all the details are finalised. But just to give you a taste of what's to come, we have a "February Frolic" where you can learn multiple knitting techniques in one day; we have a "Crazy Crochet Day" where you can learn multiple crochet techniques in one day; we have a Yarn Tasting in March; as well as an introduction and advanced course in KnitCompanion. Of course, don't forget we have the US Yarn Tour in May and June as well as the Guild Cruise in September.

If you have any idea for a workshop or know of a tutor, please get in touch with our lovely Workshop Convenor, Diane at workshops@knittersguildnsw.org.au.

Sock Techniques

with highly acclaimed,
Wollmeise Yarn Club designer,
Sue Grandfield



10.30am - 1.30pm Saturday, 28 October 2017
Sydney Mechanics' School of Arts, 280 Pitt St, Sydney
\$55 members (\$60 non-members)

Learn sock techniques and construction from a "sock-master"! With many designs and creations under her belt, Sue Grandfield will explain all.



Participants will knit a half scale sock in DK yarn and receive a pattern for a full sized, adult sock worked in sock yarn.

You will need to bring: 4mm double-pointed needles; DK (8ply) yarn in your colour choice.

Book at: www.knittersguildnsw.org.au

Guild Events

2017 FibreFest - 22 October - Bus from Blacktown

The Blacktown Group still has seats available on the bus to Singleton for the 2017 FibreFest on 22 October. We are leaving Blacktown at 7.30am, with a pick up from Hornsby Station at 8.20am. We will leave Singleton at 2.30pm and aim to be back at Blacktown by 6.30pm. Payment of \$40 per person is due by 14 October. For further information, please contact Caroline on 0403 453 707 or at carcraig@tpg.com.au.

2017 FibreFest Update

Well, it's not long now to FibreFest. Have you worked out what project to bring to knit in the gardens, or will you be purchasing your yarn and casting it on there and then? Regular updates are provided on Facebook, so be sure to follow us.

2018 Guild Cruise - 21-24 September 2018

Back by popular demand, the Guild will be hitting the waves again in 2018. This time, they are sailing on the "Pacific Explorer" which is a Food and Wine themed cruise between 21 and 24 September 2018, departing from and returning to Sydney. Costs and additional details will be in the next edition of the magazine.

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 at president@knittersguildnsw.org.au

If You're Interested ...

The Knit Show

Vickie Howell, from Knitty Gritty and recently Knitting Daily TV has now got a new online knitting show - "The Knit Show". This show came about as a result of a crowd funding project and there are now 10, very professional episodes available for us to watch, free of charge. I am only up to episode 5, but so far so good. I particularly enjoyed the behind-the-scenes look at TNNA. Pop over to YouTube.com and search for "The Knit Show" and start watching today. You may like to subscribe to the show, so you don't miss an episode.

Black Sheep Wool n Wares is For Sale

A local yarn store in Guyra, Black Sheep Wool n Wares is for sale. If you have dreamed about a tree change and owning a yarn store then this could be your opportunity to make that dream come true. If you are interested, please contact Margaret at shop@blacksheepwool.com.au. Their website is: www.blacksheepwool.com.au.