



KGBytes



New Guild Members

A warm welcome to our new Members

Blue Mountains

Jay Mapletoft
Robyn Hamilton-Smith
Phillipa Scott

Newcastle

Emily Cesca
Noelene Stephenson
Deborah Hudson

Goulburn

Jacqueline Collins

Pittwater

Angie Schroder

Interstate

Susan Turbiarz
Christine Fensbo

The Entrance

Heather Clarke
Amber King

Katoomba

Jill Lambert

Wollongong

Rochelle Hayes

Ku-ring-gai

Julia Halim

Woy Woy

Tracey Bagot

Macarthur

Barbara Bailey

Retail

Brindabella Yarn Craft

Mid North Coast

Maria Whittingham

A member's nominated group is taken from their application form. If this is in error please contact membership@knittersguildnsw.org.au

Knitters' Guild NSW Inc. AGM

When: Saturday 6th May 2023

Where: Sydney Mechanics' School of Arts
280 Pitt Street, Sydney and online via zoom.

AGM paperwork has been sent out, including a nomination form for all Executive Committee positions. Please consider seriously whether you, or someone you know, would have a little time available to be on this committee. The Knitters' Guild has become very successful and widespread but it cannot continue without support, in a practical way, from its members. Executive Committee meetings are now held once a month via Zoom so much less travel is required. No particular expertise is necessary as the Executive Committee work as a team and we need your help.

Embroidered labels

Did you know the Guild has labels for adding to charity items? If your Group donates handmade items to charity please ask the Guild Secretary (secretary@knittersguildnsw.org.au) for these and you can have a small bundle.





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Guild Workshops



FINISHING FINESSE, with Ann Budd (Online Class)

You have **2 days left** in which to book a place at this workshop, which is being held online on Saturday. In this one hour class Ann will share some of her favourites for casting on, binding off, joining a new ball of yarn, counting rows, picking up stitches along necklines and heel flaps, and weaving in ends.

Date: Saturday 4 March 2023

Time: 10.00am

To Book: <https://www.trybooking.com/CFMDQ>

Cost: \$18

YARN TASTING

Meet 4 wonderful local yarn dyers, learn about their businesses, see and touch their yarns (and buy!).

With Call of the Yarn, Glenheaven Knits, Hodgepodge Skeins and Lyrebird Yarns

Date: Saturday 25th March 2023

Time: 10.30am – 2.30pm

To Book: <https://www.trybooking.com/CFMDS>

Cost: \$6 per person (includes refreshments)

VENUE: Sydney Mechanics' School of Arts, 280 Pitt Street, Sydney 2000 (A few minutes' walk from Town Hall Station)

WORKSHOP DATES FOR YOUR DIARY IN 2023:

Saturday 22nd April – Techniques Turntable at SMSA in Pitt Street, Sydney. Learn 4 new techniques in 4 hours. Bookings will open at the beginning of April.

FIBREFEST 2023 – Bag Design Competition

Don't forget that the Guild is looking for original designs for this year's FibreFest project. Design a knitted or crocheted bag of any size or purpose, and submit the photographs to us by 13 March. For full details see the February issue of KGBytes or contact Festival@knittersguildnsw.org.au

SAVE THE DATE

2024 Guild Gathering

The 2024 Guild Gathering will take place over the weekend of 2-4 August 2024, at The Tops Conference Centre, Stanwell Tops. Further details will be provided over the next few months but put the date in your diary now as this a Guild event that must not be missed



We've someone looking to have the above item knit for them. It is a Rowan pattern and Rowan yarn will be provided.

If you can help, please contact Pat (Guild Secretary) secretary@knittersguildnsw.org.au for more details



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News from the Groups

Blacktown Saturday 18th 10am

The Blacktown Show will take place on 11th -12th March so we moved our meeting back a week to the 18th March. We will be looking for volunteers to help out on the stall at the show. Please let us know if you are coming to our meeting. We love visitors!

Roberta Fassina, Publicity

Capital Region Saturday 11th 1.30pm

At our March meeting we'll be testing fibres in unknown yarn samples, and in April a demonstration on a three-needle bind-off for shoulders.

Liz McNally, Secretary

Epping Monday 6th 9.30am

March 6th Monday, our monthly meeting, no speaker planned, but we will enjoy our usual special morning tea. So, grab a cuppa and some tasty eats ready to start the meeting at 10am. Many of us knitted n' nattered our way through January and slowly by our 3rd February gathering we have reached 30 members attending, our pre-Christmas numbers. Looking forward to lots of knitting, social times, friendships, new skills and heaps of fun.

Shirley Gregory Publicity

Inner West Group Monday 20th 10:30am

We all have left over yarn that we can't bear to throw out. Everyone is welcome to join us at our next meeting when we will be tossing around creative ideas to solve the problem.

Louise Zaluzny

Ku-ring-gai Monday 27th 9.30am

The group will meet at Uniting Church Turrumurra on Monday 27th March for meeting and morning tea followed by Buy, Swap, Sell. The group will also meet for social knitting on Tuesday 14th March but this time will meet at 10am to visit The Knitting Nook, 7/22-24 Kenthurst Road, Dural followed by coffee at a nearby café. The Knitting Nook is a new venture for one of the group members - we wish Heather Laurie all the success

Gayle Parker, Convenor

Macarthur

Our meeting on Monday 13th March is an outing to The Wool Inn at Penrith. We all love these visits, and even the most determined of us, leaves the shop with MORE yarn to add to our stash. There is no Saturday 25 March as the CWA need to room. The Camden Show will on over this weekend, and our group has sponsored 2 prizes for an award in the junior knitting and crochet sections.

Pittwater Sat 4th 1pm Tues 7th 1pm, Tues 21st 1pm.

We have an interesting program for March. Our Saturday meeting is a workshop on joining yarns. The first Tuesday meeting will be getting started on our KAL and CAL for this year. At the second Tuesday meeting we will be having a demonstration and workshop on Mosaic Knitting with Sally. Some very interesting topics. We will also, of course, have lots of knitting and chatting and show and tell, which we all look forward to at every meeting.

We welcome everyone!

Southern Group celebrating 35 years

In April 1988 a group of over 80 knitters and crocheters met together in Hurstville as the Southern Group of the Knitters' Guild NSW. This meeting was the start of an enduring community that has contributed to the Guild's purpose of promoting the craft of knitting and crochet, while also contributing to the St George local area.

To celebrate our 35th Anniversary, we are pulling together our stories, photos and memories to write a history of the group. If you would like to contribute you can do so by completing this online form:

<https://forms.gle/AuaHvRq8UTdV95417>

or emailing Gemma Lawrence at

lowe_gemmy@hotmail.com

We will also be hosting a morning tea from 10am at our 1st April meeting (Uniting Church Hall, 18 Gray Street Kogarah) to mark the occasion. All are welcome, and if you are planning on coming please RSVP to Gemma at lowe_gemmy@hotmail.com



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The Entrance Saturday 4th 11.30am

We really enjoyed our show and tell last month with some amazing contributions from our members. Starting in March we will be beginning our group meeting at 12pm, with an arrival time of 11:30am for a coffee and chat. The Halle are very generous and offer us a space each month, so we have decided it will be better for us to start early so that we can get on with our meeting a little earlier. Last month, we learnt how to use a daisywheel. Thank you to Sue and Caroline for your expert tuition. During our March meeting, we will be looking at different ways to join yarn in the middle of a row. This can be very tricky and I'm sure that we will learn a variety of methods for future use.

We look forward to seeing as many new faces and shiny old ones to our next meeting. In the meantime, remember that knitting and crocheting are mindful activities, and keep us young and alert and give us something to share with like-minded people. It's a win- win.

Don't forget to pop in for our coffee morning at the Roasted Berry Mingara Club on Wednesday 15th March at 10:30am.

Prue Smee

Woy Woy Saturday 18th 1pm

Our next knit 'n natter coffee meet up will be on Saturday 4th March from 9.30am at BBF cafe in Woy Woy. Everybody is welcome with or without your latest project.

The next monthly meeting is Saturday 18th March from 1-4 pm at the CWA hall opposite the Woy Woy ferry wharf. There'll be a workshop on mosaic crochet and we'll be collecting donations to one of our adopted charities, We Care Connect. Please bring a \$5 note for your contribution to the hall rent and you'll be given a \$1 coin back (we're trying to avoid collecting too many coins). Afternoon tea will be provided and there'll be our usual show 'n tell.

The Gosford Show will be held on 22/23 April. Members are encouraged to submit entries for the show competition. Entry forms must be submitted to the organisers by 13th April. The entry form and all other details were included in the minutes of our February meeting which were sent out on 19th February.

Ruth Herman

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Group news submissions - If you have an event or meeting you would like to promote, please submit it by 24th of each month to the Guild Secretary secretary@knittersguildnsw.org.au
We reserve the right to edit these entries