



# KGBytes

## FIBREFEST IS..... NEXT MONTH!!!



**FIBREFEST  
2023**  
by Knitters Guild NSW

**SUNDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER**  
10AM - 4PM

**WYONG RACE CLUB &  
FUNCTION CENTRE**  
Howarth St, Wyong NSW 2259  
*A short 5 min walk from Wyong Station*

**FREE ENTRY**  
Stalls (Yarn & Craft)  
Demonstrations  
Fashion Parade  
Food & Drink  
Great Music  
Stunning Location

*Great day out  
for the whole family!*



### New Guild Members

*A warm welcome to our new Members*

#### **Blacktown**

Jacinta Wood  
Carolyn Boufrancis  
Adele Walker

#### **Blue Mountains**

Heather Cox

#### **Capital Region**

Therese Rynne  
Anne Stewart  
Lisa McConnell  
Donna MacLean  
Fleur Horan  
Sue Kilby  
Michelle Wright

#### **Clarence Valley**

Pamela Bates

#### **Epping**

Heather Watts

#### **Goulburn**

Julie Kneebone  
Gillian Howard  
Kathleen Phelps

#### **Inner City**

Deirdre Barnes

#### **Inner West**

Carolin Roemer

#### **Interstate**

Helen Perry

#### **Kiama**

Sharon Grech

#### **Maitland**

Teresa Worth

#### **Mid North Coast**

Cecilia Craddock  
Tracy Berrange  
Renee Ferrett

#### **Newcastle**

Sarah Osman

#### **Northern Tablelands**

Kerri Simmone

#### **Pittwater**

Gail Bradford  
Melinda Murray  
Helen Stark

#### **Southern**

Maree Thomas

#### **Southern Highlands**

Valerie Kerr

#### **TBC**

Enid Gale

#### **The Entrance**

Linda Parsons

#### **West Ryde**

Gail Ecob

#### **Wollongong**

Callie Piccoli

#### **Retail**

Isabel Renters

*A member's nominated group is taken from their application form. If this is in error please contact*

[membership@knittersguildnsw.org.au](mailto:membership@knittersguildnsw.org.au)



We know hundreds of you will be flocking to FibreFest at Wyong Racecourse on 10th September. To make this amazing and fun day even better we need your help. We are looking for volunteers so please give us an hour of your time, during your visit to FibreFest. Help your Guild with a variety of activities, all of which you will enjoy. Please let us know if morning, afternoon or anytime suits by writing to [festival@knittersguild.org.au](mailto:festival@knittersguild.org.au) with a heading "Volunteers".

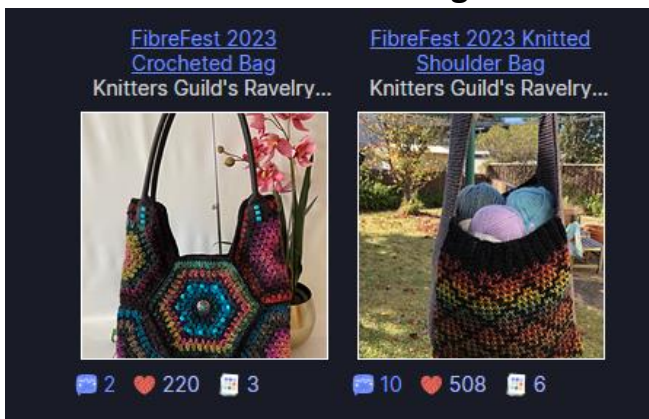


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## Guild Workshop Weekend 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> November 2023

If your group is planning to host a workshop or two or three over our Workshop Weekend, please don't forget to submit your form indicating that you are planning to take part, the cost of your venue and details of the payment that the Guild needs to make on your behalf. You don't need to give us your workshop schedule yet but we do need to know which groups are joining in. Please send the form to the Guild Secretary by 15 August.

## FibreFest 2023 Bags



Have you started on one, or more of the bags designed for this year's FibreFest? To download the free patterns, go to the Knitters' Guild design page on Ravelry. [Ravelry: Designs by Knitters Guild](#). You don't have to be a member of Ravelry to access these patterns.

**Granny Square Day is an international online celebration on Instagram, which takes place every year on the 15th August**

### Contact Information

President: [president@knittersguildnsw.org.au](mailto:president@knittersguildnsw.org.au)

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## Opportunities for Guild Members

A request has been received for a Crochet Teacher for Parramatta Community College. Please see below for details. All enquires to be placed directly to Merven from PCC. Contact details below.

- Crochet teacher wanted to teach crocheting workshops for multi-awarding winning education service provider, Parramatta Community College.
- 4hr workshop sessions
- The teaching plan is completely up to you as I give my trainers creative freedom
- Class info:
  - This is a leisure & lifestyle course (non-accredited) to teach during weekdays and/or weekends
  - Dates + times will vary
  - Class will only go ahead if we have the required minimum
  - All equipment to be provided by the trainer
  - Class to begin late August
- Pay rate = \$30/hr (weekdays & weekends)
- Must have ABN
- Interested? Please contact Merven:
  - 0421 856 861
  - [merven@pcc.edu.au](mailto:merven@pcc.edu.au)

The National Library of Australia will be publishing *Vintage Crochet* in April 2024. It is a follow-up to [Vintage Knits: 25 Classic Patterns for Modern Knitters](#), which has proved hugely popular for us. Our crochet book will feature crochet patterns from Trove, covering the 1910s to the 1980s, alongside fun information boxes on all things crochet (history, superstars of the artform, trends, etc.). As with *Vintage Knits*, we are recruiting a cohort of volunteers to help test the patterns. Each volunteer will be reimbursed the cost of yarn (to about \$120) and will be able to keep their project. The finished item will be professionally photographed and appear in the book. Each volunteer's name will also appear in the book. We would love to invite any interested members of the Knitters Guild NSW to volunteer alongside Library (and Library-adjacent) staff members. Please email NLA Publishing at [pubadmin@nla.gov.au](mailto:pubadmin@nla.gov.au).



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## News from the Groups

### Gentle reminder.....

**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](mailto:secretary@knittersguildnsw.org.au)  
We reserve the right to edit these entries

### .....with an addendum

Submissions for KG Bytes should only include information about upcoming events/meetings. Details about past events are to be included in quarterly submission to A Good Yarn

### Blacktown Sat 12<sup>th</sup> 10am-1pm

Our workshop for August is Part 2 - Knitting Socks with Caroline. If you get one-sock syndrome where that lone sock ends up in your UFO pile, this workshop is for you. Caroline will have you knitting socks toe-up and two at a time so you can knit a pair of socks all in one go. If you completed Part 1 and are ready to start on the heel, you'll learn how to finish the pair. Visitors are always welcome.

### Roberta Fassina, Publicity

### Capital Region Sat 12<sup>th</sup> 1.30pm

Capital Region continues to be busy with learning new aspects of knitting and crochet - at our August meeting De-Arne will demonstrate some basic crochet skills for us, On August 19th we will host Merrin Marks for a workshop day as she takes us through chart reading, cables, colour-work and intarsia. In September we will hold our annual Yarn De-stash day where members can sell their yarn and/or buy yarn from other members

### Liz McNally Secretary

### Epping Mon 7<sup>th</sup> 9.30am, Mon 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> 10am

A bus trip is planned for Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> August which is now open to other Guild groups. Pick up at Epping Creative Centre, 26 Stanley Road Epping at 9am. Please park down in the bottom carpark (Dence Park) where the bus will pick up, to allow parking at the Centre. First stop for provided morning tea is, The Australian Wool Store Castlereagh. Then onto Fibre Frolic Kurrajong, where you can browse the boutique shops and enjoy lunch (*not included*) at your choice of

excellent cafés. Last stop will be Banksia Yarns, Richmond, after which you can step across the road for an optional tea or coffee (not included) in the Richmond Club, before heading home. Return to Creative Centre Epping approximately 4.30pm. Daphne & Shirley are the organisers, ring Shirley on 0421633921 or email [ozgears@wix.com.au](mailto:ozgears@wix.com.au) for booking and enquiries. Prepayment confirms your seat. \$40 non-Epping Members \$30 Epping Members.

### Shirley Gregory, Publicity

### Inner West Mon 21<sup>st</sup> 10:30 am

Please join us in August when we will be exploring new ways to add more colour to our knitting using intarsia.

### Louise Zaluzny

### Ku-Ring-Gai Mon 28<sup>th</sup> 9.30am

The group continues to meet at Turramurra Uniting Church on the fourth Monday of each month at 9.30am Our meeting on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> will be a Buy/Swap/Sell - a good opportunity to make space in the stash for FibreFest purchases in September. We also continue to meet for social knitting at a local cafe on the second Tuesday of each month.

### Gayle Parker, Convenor

### Macarthur Mon 14<sup>th</sup> 9.30am, Sat 26<sup>th</sup> 9.30am

Our group will be given lessons on corner-to-corner crochet with Sue Smith. Sue has proven to be an amazingly skilled crafter, and enjoys sharing her skills with us all. We meet at the CWA Hall, and all are welcome to join us.

### Alison Wooten , Publicity

### Mid North Coast Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> 10am

Mid North Coast have two workshops on Short Rows scheduled for the 12<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> August. We also have volunteered to knit and crochet with residents at a local nursing home and aim to do this fortnightly. Many dementia patients have what is termed "muscle memory" and may have "forgotten" that they knit or crochet, but when handed a partly done project can happily pick it back up again.

### Tracey Bonfante, Convenor