



KGBytes

New Guild Members

A warm welcome to our new Members

Blacktown Alejandra Santanelli	Macarthur Michelle Walsh
Capital Region Tracey McMartin	Southern Leslie Cresson Georgia Broer
Epping Julie Brown	Southern Highlands Terri Hayter
Goulburn Glennis Tonkin Christiana Wall	The Entrance Gail Shelley Jill Halliday Marjorie Nichols Margaret Sharratt
Inner City Fiona Moffat Ben Lai	Virtual Peter Weavers Patricia Symons
Inner West Marisa Donato	West Ryde Helen Marcellino
Interstate Sarah Croskery-Hewitt Rebecca Hawken	Woy Woy Janne Maggs Cathy Zammit
Kiama Angela Cutroni	
Newcastle Kim Fletcher	

Retail

My Creative Garage

www.mycreativegarage.com

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

Membership Badges

If your Group needs membership badges, it just takes an email from the Group Convenor or Secretary. Write to the Guild Secretary with a list of names, and the address where you would like these to be posted. The current delivery time is 2-3 weeks. Please wait until you need 4 or more badges before you put in a request.

Knitters' Guild NSW Inc. AGM

Saturday 4th May 2024 11am

Don't forget that the Guild's Annual General meeting takes place this Saturday at the Sydney Mechanics' School of Arts, 280 Pitt Street, Sydney (a few minutes' walk from Town Hall Station) at 11.00am.

If you aren't able to attend in person, access to the AGM will be available by Zoom. The Zoom link will be sent to all members on Friday 3 May. If you wish to send your apologies please do so by 5pm on Friday to Secretary@knittersguildnsw.org.au

For those attending in Sydney, refreshments will be served after the meeting, then Southern Group Guild Member, Abbey Bongers, will give a short talk and Q&A session about her work with Tunisian Crochet, which is becoming so popular of late. The talk will be available to those attending via Zoom as well.

Guild Gathering 2nd-4th August

If you haven't already booked for this year's Gathering, what are you waiting for? It's taking place from 2-4 August at the Tops Conference Centre, Stanwell Tops. We have 17 workshops, talks, demonstrations, competitions (with many prizes), a small marketplace and of course Ann Budd visiting from the USA.

It's easy to book. Go to our website, select Guild Gathering and complete the registration form. Payment may be made by Paypal or by Direct Deposit. www.knittersguildnsw.org.au

The full Weekend Residential package costs \$330, including accommodation, all meals, workshops and other activities, but other packages are available for those of you who wish to provide your own accommodation or just visit for the day.

Mittens Galore! (we hope)

Why not make a pair of fingerless mittens or fingerless gloves and enter them into our competition at the Gathering? A simple and fairly quick knit or crochet. Any size, any design – let your imagination flow. There'll be prizes not just for the most beautifully made pair, but for originality and for the most fun.



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Save The Dates!

- Saturday 4th May **Guild Annual General Meeting** 11.00am
SMSA, 280 Pitt Street, Sydney and also via Zoom
- Saturday 8th June **World Wide Knit in Public Day** (Let us know what your group is planning)
- 3rd - 6th July **Sydney Craft & Quilt Fair**
International Convention Centre, Darling Harbour
Visit the Guild stand throughout the Fair
- 2nd – 4th August **Guild Gathering**
The Tops Conference Centre, Stanwell Tops
Bookings will open in April
- Sunday 13th October **FibreFest 2024**
Wyong Racecourse

Request from the public



We've received a request for someone who may be interested in knitting a stranded colourwork sweater and vest? The patterns will be provided and of course you will be paid for your work. Contact the Guild Secretary if you would be interested in discussing this further.



Sydney Craft and Quilt Fair 2024

We are still looking for volunteers for the Craft and Quilt Fair, this year at ICC Sydney, Exhibition Centre, Darling Harbour from July 3 to July 6, 2024.

You need no special skill to help on the Guild stand. Just chat to people about the Guild; something we can all do! If you wish you can share your skill with visitors who are frequently interested in what we achieve.

We are asking for your time, either morning - 10.00am-1.00pm or afternoon 1.00pm-4.00pm - for each of the four days and when you volunteer you have the opportunity to explore the show, with free entry, as well as helping the Guild.

If you are able to help at this event please email Secretary@knittersguildnsw.org.au and let her know which dates and times suit you.

GROUP CONVENORS/SECRETARIES – Please don't forget to take a printed copy of KGBytes to your next Group meeting so that those members who don't have computer access may be kept informed.



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News from the Groups

Capital Region Sat 11th 1.30pm

At our meeting on Saturday 11th May we will be having a demonstration 'Putting your best foot forward – measuring to get a good fit for socks' where we will explore how not all feet fit the standard formula used in patterns and how to adjust to get a good fit. We will also have a stall at Wool Week at the Old Bus Depot Markets on the weekend of 18th/19th May to promote the Guild and also hold a raffle of yarn and other knitting and crochet items donated by our members. This was very successful last year and we also attracted several new members from our conversations with people attending this popular event. Tickets for our live out Retreat in July have gone on sale to members and arrangements for the weekend will be finalised in May. We will also collect more hats knitted and crocheted by members for our Winter Hats for Winter Heads charity project at our May meeting.

Christianna Cobbold, Convenor

Crochet (Turrumurra) Wed 1st 10am

The Crochet (Turrumurra) group meets on the 1st Wednesday of the month from 10am to 12noon at the Turrumurra Uniting Church. Visitors are very welcome. The next meeting is on Wednesday 1st May. Wendy will be showing us how to crochet an "Irish Flower Brooch". You will need No.5 crochet cotton with the appropriate hook. Cotton is best. Wendy has a few balls of No.20 crochet cotton which she will bring along. There will be a handout given at the meeting.

Pat Hicks, Convenor

Epping Mon 6th 9.30am, Mon 13th, 20th, 27th 10am

The Epping Groups are organising a Biggest Morning Tea on Monday 20th May. Please email eppingknitters@gmail.com for a flyer or further details.

Shirley Gregory, Publicity

Group news submissions - If you have an event or meeting you would like to promote, please submit it no later than 24th of each month to the Guild Secretary secretary@knittersguildnsw.org.au

We reserve the right to edit these entries

Early adherence to the submission date is encouraged.

Any late submissions will be omitted.

Inner City Sat 11th 11am

The Inner City Group meets on 2nd Saturday of every month from 11am-1pm at Cliff Noble Centre 24 Suttor St Alexandria. Our next meeting will be held on Saturday May 11th. Last month's KGBytes highlighted our plan for the May meeting to feature the GREAT Inner City Destash. Due to unforeseen circumstances we have postponed this event until July. This gives extra time for us all to get our stash sorted and ready for sale. In the meantime we will be holding a more informal gathering for the May meeting. All are welcome to come and share a chat, morning tea and lots of social knitting.

Jo and Kaye. Convenors

Inner West Monday 20th 10:30am

At this meeting we will be putting the final touches to our "Colours of the Sea" Afghan rug. This will form part of our annual donation of knitted items to Elsie Women's Refuge. Please join us and bring your latest project for "Show and Tell".

Louise Zaluzny

Knitters Guild NSW Newcastle Group

GLORIOUS Yarn FAIR

Friday 3 & Saturday 4 May 2024
10 am to 4pm (cafe 10-2)
free entry

Islington Baptist Church
180 Maitland Rd
Islington

knitting & crochet exhibition & sale

- beautiful handmade things to see & buy
- raffle
- try knitting/crochet
- morning & afternoon teas
- light lunches
- free parking
- close to public transport
- disabled access

<https://www.knittersguildnsw.org.au/>



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Macarthur – Mon 13th 9.30am, Sat 25th 9.30am

Both our meetings for the month of May are being devoted to Charity Knits. Members and visitors are welcome to bring along yarn from their stash to create something to donate. A square for Wrap with Love, a Trauma Teddy, a Beanie for a cancer organisation. If you have a pattern for an item that you want to share, bring along a few extra copies if you are able.

Our meetings are held in the Camden CWA Hall, near the Coles car park.

We meet about 9.30am for a cuppa and a catch up, then we can knit away the morning. All members and guests are welcome.

Alison Wootten

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

Saturday 4th: Review of knitting on embroidery, problem solving.

Tuesday 7th: Reading patterns, and granny square review in preparation for 1/2 granny square

Tuesday 21st: 1/2 granny square- instructions given by Barbara.

Our meetings are at 1pm at Pittwater RSL.

Janelle Grange, Secretary

The Entrance Sat 4th 1pm

Mother's Day is fast approaching and to celebrate being a mother, a grandmother, a sister, an Auntie or just you, we will be holding a special afternoon tea. If you'd like to join us bring a cup and saucer and a small plate to share. We will also be sharing some flower patterns for crochet or knitting. Sue will be helping us limber up with some hand exercises to start our meeting. We look forward to Show and Tell, as it is always a fun part of each meeting. We are introducing Tips and Tricks for members to share their 'go to' ideas. Come along to our June meeting where Clare from the Fibre Arts Shed will be tempting us with her beautiful yarn. Our group will meet for a catch up at The Roasted Berry at Mingara on 15th May at 10:30. See you soon

Prue, Convenor

Southern Group Sat 4th 9am

Come join us for our Biggest Morning Tea, there will be a delicious spread and lots of time to chat and get to know one another. We will also be out and about in May, hosting a Knit-In at St George Hospital on Wed 22nd May to promote Palliative Care Week (we will have our hearts and blankets on display) and then on Sat 26th May we will be holding a stall at the Sewing Basket's Big Basket Sale (Marrickville Town Hall) from 9am-12pm. Please come by and say hello! For more details visit our Facebook Group: Knitters' Guild NSW - Southern Group

Gemma Lawrence, Convenor

The Sewing Basket Newsletter

The fabric shop supporting people with disability

The Good Yarn

Announcing The Sewing Basket's Big Basket Sale!

This May we will be holding a sale event at Marrickville Town Hall.

We have been saving some amazing stock for this special event and will have over 15 stalls, plus demonstrations and a fashion parade for you to enjoy.

The sale will be held on Friday 24 May to Sunday 26 May and entry is free. Get your ticket using the button below.

Make sure to tell your friends and family to help us spread the word. We can't wait to see you there.

[Get tickets here](#)

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