



KGBytes

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Knitters Required

Cabled Jacket

We've received a request for a knitter to make this stunning jacket, knitted on 5.5mm needles (10sts/10cms).

Child's Sweater

Would you be interested in repairing or replicating this child's sweater, which has great sentimental value?

If you'd be interested in quoting for either of these, please contact the Guild Secretary And do let us have a photo of your finished garment!



March will have TWO issues of KGBytes

We were unable to include everything we want to tell you about in this issue, as we're awaiting further details.

But we don't want to wait until April, so look out for a second issue of KGBytes this month. It should be in your in-boxes in 10-14 days.



Guild Annual General Meeting

Make sure you have in your diary our Annual General Meeting, taking place on Saturday 3 May from 11am at SMSA, Pitt Street, Sydney, and online via a Zoom link.

You should have all received the paperwork for this, which was sent out on 14 February. It's also available in the Members' Only section of our website.

After the meeting, we have Kai Crosson, the General Manager of Bendigo Woollen Mills, joining us in Sydney as our Guest Speaker.

The Agenda and Annual Reports will be sent to all members by 18 April.

Nominations for places on the Executive Committee are to be lodged with our Returning Officer by 31 March. At the AGM, these nominations are confirmed, unless there are more nominations than places, in which case a ballot will take place with all members attending, both in person and virtually. If there is an insufficient number of nominations, nominations for vacancies will be taken from those attending the meeting.

If you are interested in standing for any of these positions, and would like further information about what is involved, please don't hesitate to ask us. The Committee Members' role for instance is very flexible and we always welcome members who would be able to dedicate even a hour or more to the running of the Guild each month.

Saturday 3 May

11.00 am

**Sydney Mechanics' School of Arts
280 Pitt Street, Sydney**



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FibreFest Patterns

Thank you to all of you who completed our FibreFest Pattern Survey. The most popular choices for a FibreFest 2025 project were:

Knitting Pattern - An intermediate level shawl or scarf, featuring textured knitting. Potentially including sections of cables and/or lace.

Crochet Pattern - An intermediate level shawl or scarf in lace.

Would you like to design our scarves and shawls for this year's FibreFest? Start planning now and we'll be in contact soon telling you how you can submit your designs for consideration.



Volunteer Required

Would you be interested in dealing with telephone queries from both Guild and non-Guild members made to the Guild's official telephone number? And handling the offers of donations that the Guild receives?

We are looking for someone to take over this role from Maureen North who has done such an excellent job but would now like to hand over to another member. Obviously training and help will be available for as long as it's needed, and we provide a mobile phone.

If you think this is something you'd be able to contribute and would like further details, or to talk to Maureen about the role, please email the President in the first instance.

We very much look forward to hearing from you.

World Wide Knit in Public Day 2025

If your group has anything planned for WWKIP Day this year (Saturday 14 June), do please let us have all the details in plenty of time for us to advertise the event in KGBytes.

SQUARE

If you're holding an event that involves money, your Group may find it useful to have access to the Guild's Square Account. Your members may then pay with a card at a stash sale or for a bus trip for instance, and the money received will go directly into the Group's bank account.

Contact the Guild Treasurer if you require further details.

Group Subsidy Fund

Don't forget that each group may apply to the Guild for up to \$300 in the financial year (ending 31 December) to help pay for a trip you have planned, or a class you'd like to hold.

Full details and the application form are available in the Members' Only section of our website. Submit the form to the Guild Treasurer for consideration at the next meeting of the Guild's Executive Committee.

Dates for your Diary 2025

March 29: Macknit Yarn Market, Epping (**See Page 3**)

April 5-6: River Yarn Fibre Festival, Carcoar

April 11-22: Sydney Royal Easter Show, Sydney Showground

May 3: Knitters' Guild Annual General Meeting, 11.00am - Sydney Mechanics' School of Arts, and online

May 4: Fibre Frolic, Mulgoa

May 24/25: Dungog Knitters' Picnic, Dungog

June 25-28: Craft and Quilt Fair, International Conference Centre, Darling Harbour, Sydney

August 1-4: Guild Cruise, sailing from Sydney

September 28: FibreFest, Wyong Racecourse

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Our New and Re-Joining Members

A warm welcome to all. Please note that if a 2024 Member has not renewed their membership by 1 February, the membership has expired and any application from that member is considered to be a new application.

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

Blacktown:

Bridget Hooker, Jennifer Hughes

Blue Mountains:

Robyn Le Breton

Capital Region:

Gabriela Defries, Liesa

Hindmarsh, Liz Jarvis, Amanda Parker, Maggie Salmon-Room

Epping:

Yvonne Schaerer

Goulburn: Julie Kneebone

Inner City:

Sarah Middleton-Jones, Tracey Page, Margaret Rafferty

Inner West:

Deby Horne, Emma Stenner

Interstate:

Claire Burnett, Kelsey Cook, Cathy Parmigiani, Jan Taylor, Helen Walker

Macarthur:

Nikki Fox

Maitland:

Jennifer Kirby, Caroline Quinn

Mid-North Coast:

Jillian McDonnell, Rebecca Mendez

Newcastle:

Ann Bowen, Faye Clark, Victoria Frostis, Patricia Knight, Sandy Ravelli, Linda Winn

Northern Tablelands:

Florence Champion de Crespigny, Sharon Schofield, Anne Trennery

Pittwater:

Lyn Carter, Eileen Jenkins, Irene Long, Carol Smith, Lisa Whiston

Southern:

Fran Nielsen, Stacey Trock, Maddie Trock-Hunter

Southern Highlands:

Tory Page

Virtual:

Carole Hood, Debbie Schache

West Ryde:

Ellen Lonergan, Heather Parsons, Naomi Warry

Wollongong:

May Sharman

Retail Member: Stitchy

Witches

<https://www.stitchywitches.com.au>

Macknit
2025 Autumn Yarn Market

SATURDAY
29th March 2025
EPPING CREATIVE CENTRE
26 STANLEY ST EPPING
10AM TO 2 PM

HOSTED BY
NSW MACHINE KNITTERS
Visit www.mknsw.org.au for more
details
Demonstrations, Yarn Traders,
Accessories and much more!

Traders for 2025

Adagio Mills
The Australian Wool Store
Anne Kintominos
Bellevue Park Wool
Bumble Bee Yarns
Creative Machine Knitters
Fancy Yarns Australia
Glenheavenknits
Hodgepodge Skeins
Jokamama Textiles
Marlyn Alpaca
Passap Australia
Waratah Fibres
The Wool Inn



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News From The Groups

Note from the Editor: *We love hearing about your group's plans - it sends a reminder to your members, encourages members of other Guild groups to drop in for a visit and gives us all some wonderful ideas for our own groups. We reserve the right to edit these entries to ensure that we can fit everything into each issue.*

Blue Mountains: Our next meeting is at 1pm on Saturday 15 March at Glenbrook Panthers Bowling Club. We will welcome retailer Kathryn Trippett from the Australian Wool Store with her wonderful selection of yarns and stitch markers.

Jan Marshall

Capital Region: The next meeting will be held on 8 March from 1.30 - 4.30pm at the Chifley Community Centre and we will have a mini workshop on Brioche with Lauren as well as our usual Show and Share, Afternoon tea and social knitting and crochet. Show and Share will include some of the recent Canberra Show entries.

Christianna Cobbold

Crochet Turrumurra: The group meets on the 1st Wednesday of the month from 10am to 12noon at the Turrumurra Uniting Church. Our next meeting is on Wednesday 5 March. Di will be showing us how to crochet with beads. Bring 8 ply yarn, a 4mm hook and a few beads if you have some. There will also be a section of beads available to work with.

Pat Hicks - Convenor

Epping: Our Education sessions, held on the 3rd Monday of every month, are currently socks and footwear. Next session being held on 17 March.

Shirley Gregory - Publicity

Goulburn: 15 March, 10:00 - 3:00. Karen will be leading the group through a sock tutorial at the conclusion of our formal meeting. We will be having a stall and running a knitting tutorial at this year's Goulburn Show (01/03-02/03). Various members have submitted some pieces, so I'm sure some of us will get to go home with some ribbons!

Christina Wall - Publicity Officer

Inner West: Wednesday 19 March 10:30
We will be meeting at Camperdown Commons on our new meeting day - the 3rd Wednesday of the month. Having explored various casting on techniques in February we thought it only logical to cover casting off techniques in March. Don't forget to bring an item or "Show and Tell".

Louise Zaluzny

The Entrance: Monthly meetings take place on 1st Saturday of the month at Anglican Church, Tyrell Pl, Killarney Vale from 12:30 for 1:00pm start. The next meeting is 1 March. The Teaching Corner for March is "Cast on/Cast off Demonstrations" - bring 8 ply yarn & 4mm needle if you would like to practice & April is "Fun Ideas for all those Squares" - bring your squares & whatever is necessary to join the pieces just in case you get inspired. Our Mid-month Catch Up is on 3rd Wed of the month (next meeting 19 March) at Roasted Berry Cafe, Mingara from 10pm. Central Coast Show is on 3-4 May so it is time to work on those creations to enter the competition.

Toni Withington - Publicity

Woy Woy: Saturday 15 March, 1.00-4.00pm. Fibre Arts Shed will be attending our meeting with their wonderful range of yarns for sale.

Nardia Sly - Convenor

Entries for News From The Groups

PLEASE limit your entry to

- The name of your group
- The date and time of your event/meeting
- Details of the event/meeting
- Materials required/Booking instructions, if applicable
- Name of person submitting the report