



# KG Bytes

August 2016

## From the Executive

### Workshops

The Executive have appointed Ann Lemon to the position of Workshops Convenor. Ann has some great ideas for upcoming workshops and events, so be sure to keep an eye out for her updates.

There are three main focus areas for workshops: the first is to provide interesting and fun workshops for all members; the second is to provide workshops that relate to the Certificates; and the third is to help Groups find tutors and workshop ideas.

Ann is also very keen to ensure that workshops are held at various locations to ensure all members have the opportunity to attend. Ann's ideas include: contemporary homewares, both knitting and crochet; Estonian lace; Latvian braid knitting; and even a *Christmas in Yarn* to be held in November.

If you would like to suggest a venue, workshop topic, or even a tutor, please contact Ann at: [Workshops@knittingguildnsw.org.au](mailto:Workshops@knittingguildnsw.org.au).

### 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*, please forward it to the President at [President@knittersguildnsw.org.au](mailto:President@knittersguildnsw.org.au) by the 7th of the month.

To celebrate our 30th Birthday we invite you to our ...

# FibreFest 2016

10am - 4pm  
Sunday, 9 October

in the Sisters of Mercy Convent, 30 Queen St, Singleton  
in the heart of the Hunter Valley, NSW

Food  
Music  
Fun Activities

Weekend accommodation packages available

A wonderful gathering of all things fibre related  
Retail Vendors  
Workshops  
Demonstrations

More Information  
[www.knittersguildnsw.org.au](http://www.knittersguildnsw.org.au)  
[Festival@knittersguildnsw.org.au](mailto:Festival@knittersguildnsw.org.au)

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## Group Meetings

### Blue Mountains, 20th August

A visit from retailer "Wooldancer".

### Blue Mountains, 17th September

Working on the Virus Shawl and a visit from Waratah Fibres.

### Crochet Turramurra, 7th September

A workshop on Mandala.

### Epping, 25th August

Bus trip to the Morpeth Tea Cosy exhibition. Some seats still available, email [daphneferg@gmail.com](mailto:daphneferg@gmail.com).

Cost \$33 Epping Members; \$48 other members and friends.

### Epping, 5th September

Guest speaker is Moreg Sutton from Epping Quilters.

### Epping Crochet, 12th September

Crochet rug or squares from corner to corner.

### Macarthur, 27th August

Glove Knitting

### Macarthur, 12th September

Finishing off the Glove Knitting

### Pittwater, 16th August

Scarf-fest: bring patterns and knitted scarves to share

### Pittwater, 6th September

Daphne Ferguson is presenting fancy stitches for blankets and other uses.

### Queanbeyan, 10th September

Small Thins Create-a-long Round 4 continues.

## Workshops

### Short Row Techniques – 27 August 2016

The very popular Show Row Techniques workshop is being held between 11am and 3.30 Saturday, 27 August 2016 at the Sydney Mechanics School of Arts, 280 Pitt St, Sydney. The cost of the workshop is \$20 for members and \$25 for non-members. To book, go to: [knittersguildnsw.org.au](http://knittersguildnsw.org.au).

### An Introduction to Brioche – 15 October 2016

Learn the basics and start creating lovely brioche in this workshop which will be held on between 10.30am and 3.30pm Saturday, 15 October 2016 at Penrith. The cost of the workshop is \$20 for members and \$25 for non-members. To book, go to: [knittersguildnsw.org.au](http://knittersguildnsw.org.au).

## Guild Events

### FibreFest 2016, 9th October

FibreFest 2016 is scheduled for Sunday 9 October at The Sisters of Mercy Convent in Singleton in the heart of the Hunter Valley.

We currently have more than 22 stallholders registered to attend with more still coming in. Already registered are:

Adagio Mills  
Carol Dobson Design  
Clementine and Thread  
Come in Spinner  
Convent and Chapel  
Dee's Felted Finery  
Feltfine  
Fiber Lily  
The House of Wool  
Looms and Spinning Wheels  
Lyn Abbot  
Macknit  
Marlyn Alpacas  
Pirate Purl Yarns  
Pleasant View Fibres  
River Flats Estate  
Sip Knit Yarn  
Spun Out  
Susannes House of Wool  
Waratah Fibre  
The Wool Inn, and  
The Yarn Bar.

There will also be workshops, food, music and fun activities.

To keep up-to-date with who's coming, visit our Facebook page: **Fibrefest2016**.

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### Better Homes & Gardens Live Event, 16-18 September

The Guild has been invited to take part in the Better Homes and Gardens Live event which is going to be held on 16–18 September 2016 at Sydney Showground, Sydney Olympic Park. We have the 10am to 1.30pm timeslot in the special feature area called *Learn and Share*.

This will not be your typical stand/booth, but rather an open inviting space with a large table where we can sit around and create something. BHG want to encourage visitors who are walking-by to stop and watch our members actively make something and to give visitors an opportunity to engage by observing a new skill, admiring the work or ask questions.

If this is something that you may be interested in please email Sharon at [Secretary@knittersguildnsw.org.au](mailto:Secretary@knittersguildnsw.org.au).

### Camp 2017 – Save the Date!

We're busy organising our next Camp Weekend and the date has been set for 16 - 18th June 2017 at Galston Gorge Conference Centre. Lots of details will be provided in the Guild's next Magazine in October and bookings will open in January.

In the meantime, if you have any suggestions for a workshop or event, or would like to volunteer to teach or help in any way, do please contact Sally Ogilvie: [Camp@knittersguildnsw.org.au](mailto:Camp@knittersguildnsw.org.au) as she'd love to hear from you.

## ★ Convenors' Corner ★

### Group Information Session – 30 July 2016

We had a wonderful Group Information Session on the 30th of July. Those present shared their ideas, hints, techniques for running Group meetings, to organising tutorials and planning a year in advance. The day was deemed a success and members have requested that these sessions be held on the fifth Saturday of the month where appropriate. The next Group Information Session will be held on Saturday, 29 October 2016. Members have asked for the roles and responsibilities of Secretary be discussed at this meeting. So, please lock in the date and let us know if you can attend.

### Quarterly Financial Reports

At the Group Information Session, the Guild's Treasurer, Helen Horan reported that she is developing a template for Group Treasurers to complete their quarter financial reporting to the Executive. This will be coming out soon, so please keep an eye out for it.

*Knitters' Guild NSW Inc.*