



KGBytes

August 2026



Please Volunteer for FibreFest!

Are you able to volunteer a little of your time to help out at FibreFest this year?

If you're planning to attend the Festival on Sunday 27 September, then do think about taking the opportunity to having a rest after all the shopping, sitting down with a coffee for an hour or so and selling raffle tickets.

Please email us with your contact details, including phone number: Festival@knittersguildnsw.org.au

Thank you! These great Guild events can't take place without your help.



FibreFest 2026

We have a wonderful line-up of stall-holders at this year's Festival, with a huge variety of knitting and crocheting goodies to suit every taste and wallet.

If you have your heart set on a particular purchase, why not contact them before the event to place your order to collect on the day?

24 Mile Hollow Yarn
Adagio Alpaca Mills
Adorkable Handmade
Bean Town
Bellevue Park Wool
Bonnies Daughter
Bumble Bee
Button Rescue
Crystal Cat Stitchery
Destiny's Haven
Eleventy-one Windmills
Euro Sew and Knit
Fabric Garden
Fancy Yarn
Fiber Lily
Fibrant Yarn
Fibre Arts Shed
Fibre Naturally
Glenheaven Knits
Great Southern Yarns
Hodgepodge
Jokomamo
Life in Loops

Luxe Handweaving
Magnolia Yarns
Marlyn Alpacas
My Creative Garage
Ochre Moon
One Stitch Two Stitch
Pirate Purl
Pleasant View Fibres
Set on Sewing and Craft
Signatur Knits
Skip Rope Yarn
Spinneret Handmade
Spinners Cotton
Stitchy Witches
Sugar & Spice Gourmet Foods
The Australian Wool Store
The Wool Inn
This Lush Corner
Three Muscats Fibre Farm
Three Trees Fibre
Warped and Twisted Creations
Willow Vale Wool
Wool 2 Yarn

Guild Gathering 2026

Bookings for The Gathering taking place over the weekend of 21-23 August have now closed.

You should receive an mail shortly with all the information you'll need, including details of your workshops.

We're thrilled so many of you will be attending and we're all looking forward to catching up with old friends and making new ones.

See you on Friday 21st!



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Our New and Re-Joining Members

A warm welcome to all. A member's nominated group is taken from their application form.

*If this is in error, please contact
Membership@knittersguildnsw.org.au*

Blacktown: Marie NgWan Tin

Blue Mountains: Julie Barrington, Margaret Graham, Melissa Jones, Robyn Maxwell, Pauline McCann

Capital Region: Lynda Gilfeather

Crochet Turramurra: Selena Kuljaca

Epping: Susan Fitzgerald

Goulburn: Dianne Herior, Helen Melbourne

Inner City: Mary Duru, Fiona Thurn, Marilyn Walker, Kirsten Wilson

Inner West: Aliah Banchik, Midori Edwards

Macarthur: Kim Phornthip

Maitland: Kerri-Anne Dickson

Mid North Coast: Naomi Rynne

Newcastle: Kim Fewings, Michelle Jenkins, Montanna Purcell, Blanche Smith, Karen Smith

Pittwater: Gillian Aitken, Tina Burgess, Lyndall Calcraft, Keiran Einspinner, Sue Gatenby, Jane Hodgett, Patricia Jones, Sarah Watt

Southern: Emma Harrison, Maxine Judge

Southern Highlands: Robin Warner

The Entrance: Denise Fisher, Sukrita Mahon

Virtual: Jennifer Conroy, Maryanne Falk, Joanna Georgelas, Mariette Lewis

West Ryde: Alexis Beasley, Kerry Daniel

Wollongong: Nicole Kochovski

Membership Matters

Our Annual Membership Fee runs from 1 January to 31 December each year. Membership will lapse if the renewal payment hasn't been made on or before 1 February 2027.

Renewals for your 2027 membership will open on 1 November 2026. If you renew between 1 November and 31 December, your membership will run until 31 December 2027.

Membership Fees for 2027 will be as follows:

Regular Membership: \$35

Regular Membership to include a printed copy of our quarterly magazine, A Good Yarn: \$65

Retail Membership: \$70

Student Membership: \$15

Junior Membership: \$15

There is an additional \$10 joining fee for all new members.

As Australia's cheque system is being wound down, the Guild will no longer accept cheques for 2027 Membership and beyond. Payment can be made via Paypal on our website, by Electronic Funds Transfer or across the counter at your bank.

We'll give you a nudge when payments are due!

Guild Name Badges

A message to all Convenors

If you are requesting name badges in the next ten days and you have a member of your group attending the Guild Gathering, they will be passed over then.



Have you created a FibreFest shawl?

It isn't too late to make one of these beautiful shawls in time for FibreFest being held this year on Sunday 27 September.

The patterns are free to Guild members until FibreFest so get along to the Guild website and download your free copy (or copies! - Why not make all of them?)

<https://www.knittersguildnsw.org.au/index.php/resources/guild-patterns>

Click the Ravelry link against the chosen shawl.

Purchase the pattern quoting the Access Code below to download your free copy.

Knitted Shawl: Use the Access Code KGFF26K

Crocheted Shawl: Use the Access Code KGFF26C

Tunisian Crocheted Shawl: Use the Access Code KGFF26C



Crochet
Jenny Whiting

Wear your shawl at FibreFest, and you could win a prize!

We'd Love Your Ideas!

One of the many benefits of Guild membership is cheap or free workshops with gifted tutors from Australia and around the world.

Do you have a favourite knitwear designer/tutor? Is there a topic that you would really like us to cover?

We can't guarantee that we'll be able to host your favourite tutor, but we can always issue an invitation and hope the response is positive.

We'd love to hear your suggestions. If we know what you want, we will try our best to give you what you want!

Drop a line to Workshops@knittersguildnsw.org.au



Knitting
Clare Hacker

DON'T FORGET!

GUILD GATHERING

21-23 August 2026

FIBREFEST

27 September 2026



Tunisian Crochet
Kelly Lonergan



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Help Needed Please!

Kath in Kiama on 0412 651973 needs a small hole repaired in a knitted woollen vest.

Suzi on 0424 805323 will pay for someone to knit her a wolf jacket like Ryan Gosling wore in a movie. It is Pattern No. 94253-4N, Wolf Cardigan. She has chunky yarn ready and pattern.

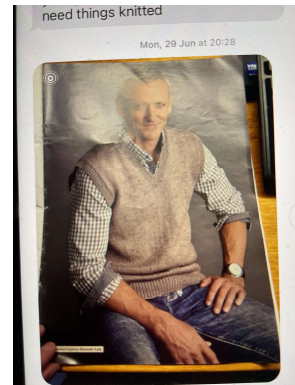


Theresa from Mittagong (on 0413 219112) would like a crocheter to complete her 'Colourful Rainbow Sampler crochet-along' rug, designed by Haak Maar Raak. A tub containing the pattern, all fibre and the first 30cm is with Robynn Ross at robynnstudio@gmail.com for handover.

Theresa would like to know where it's donated on completion.



Jock Hamilton (jockhamilton@gmail.com) on 0433 654209 wants to be put in touch with a knitter to make him a classic woollen vest, size M-L, and perhaps knitted garments for his daughters.



Blacktown Group Away Day

The Group has organised a coach trip to Castle Handmade in Bowral and will be also visiting the Tulip Festival. Saturday 19 September meeting at Blacktown 9.00am and returning about 5.30pm.

There are 12 spots left in the bus, and it will be \$55 total for the trip and flower festival. Anyone who is interested please contact kgblacktown@gmail.com.

A Message to the Craft & Quilt Fair Volunteers!

The Sydney Craft & Quilt Fair held at the ICC in Sydney from 15 to 18 July was a very successful event. A huge thank you to all our members who gave up their time, some more than once, to be at the Guild stand, talk to visitors, teach the visitors to knit and crochet too. Without your support we cannot participate in these events, so thank you to all the volunteers.

Craft & Quilt Fair Sydney July 2026





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NEWS FROM THE GROUPS

Blacktown: Saturday 8 August, 10am-1pm our workshop will be on knitting from a chart, run by Caroline Craig. This month we are celebrating the 40th Anniversary of our Guild with a lovely catered morning tea and anyone who knitted their anniversary beanie will bring it along for a group photo.

After the meeting we will have knit and natter for those not doing the workshop.

Jacinta Wood

Blue Mountains: For our August meeting on Saturday 15 August we will be welcoming Marianne from Jokamamo as our guest retailer. The regular social catch up will be on Sunday 2 August at the usual venue, Tori Café Pullman Penrith. Please check our Facebook page for details of both events.

Jan Marshall, Secretary

Capital Region: Saturday 8 August 1.30pm - 4.30pm.

At this meeting we'll be discussing double knitting and learning tips and tricks about knitting a two-sided item. We'll also have a demonstration of the paid version of Knit Companion for those that use it. It should be a great afternoon.

Lauren Clancy, Convenor

Crochet Turramurra: Next month's meeting is on Wednesday 5 August, 10.00-12.00. We will be learning "Bavarian Stitch" Bring 2/3 colours of 8ply yarn and a 4mm hook.

Pat Hicks, Co-Convenor

Inner West: Our next Inner West Meeting is scheduled 10.30 am – 12.30, Wednesday 19 August at Camperdown Commons. We will have a Swap meet so bring in all your excess knitting yarn and equipment! Plus look forward to our colourful "show and tell" session which always inspires our members. The ladies from our charity "The Aboriginal Women's and Children's Crisis Centre" are invited along to share their feedback on our recent donations in June. If any of you still have some items to donate, please bring them along on the day.

Cheryl

Macarthur: Monday 10 August & Saturday 22 August at 9.30 in the CWA Hall in Camden.

Both meetings will have the same lesson, on crocheting different types of Granny Squares. Lessons will be given by Sue Smith.

PLEASE NOTE - at the Monday meeting we will be celebrating the 40th Anniversary of the Knitters' Guild, with a cake, and other treats.

Alison Wooten, Publicity Officer

Pittwater: Saturday 1 August, Knit and Natter meeting. On Tuesday 4 August there will be a Business Meeting followed by Barb offering to assist ladies who are making the crochet flower blanket. This month it is a Poppy Flower. Also, Pat will be offering a workshop on i-cords. On Tuesday 18 August, Judy will be offering a workshop on Intarsia Crochet.

Gill Ashley, Secretary

Woy Woy: Saturday 15 August 1.00-4.00pm, we are holding a party to celebrate the Guild's 40th Anniversary and the group's 9th. Games, competitions, prizes, food and of course a birthday cake.

Sally Ogilvie - Convenor



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