



Crochet Extra

163rd Edition- March 2020

I received an email from my son's school the other day – and do you know we are already halfway through term one? It certainly doesn't feel like we are that far through the year. As usual time is flying by. Of course this always happens when there are many things going on. Here at Crochet Australia we have been busy with many new people coming in to learn to crochet (which I love to see), preparing for our new website (you'll see some changes in our newsletter in preparation), tracking down new suppliers for some items and planning our future events.



Theme Autumn Air

No it doesn't feel like it yet—but it's not far away. For many this is going to be a relief after the hot summer we have had. I love autumn, because it's not too cold to require heavy jumpers and sweaters.

But you just need an extra layer on when you go outside. Wraps and shawls are perfect for this time as are vests, capes, shrugs, light ponchos and cardigans - One of my favourites is the short-sleeved cardigan.



Craft alive Sunshine Coast will be in Caloundra again from the 17 to 19 April. we will have a stall there again with 2 make and take sessions each day. Emily Littlefair (author of Round and Round the Crochet Hook) will be coming along to run one of these. One session will be to make this Irish lace flower, the other session will be to make this decorative mandala.



We will be holding the Sunshine Coast Crochet retreat in May this year - the weekend of 23 and 24 May – look that in your diaries. Full details will be released shortly. We are also trying a new venue in Marcoola – right on the beach.

Thank you to everyone for sending in photos of your creations. There are many exciting projects that feature in our customer corner section this month. Congratulations to Lynley B for winning this quarter's \$25 voucher for submitting her project.

Our march workshop will be learning Tunisian crochet and making this vest top – using basic Tunisian and lace Tunisian stitches. Book your spot - Tuesday's 9.30 - 11.30 am or Wednesday's 5.30 - 7.30 pm.



Until next time

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For the young girls and infants, there are some lovely cool cover-ups – shrugs and cardigans that hold off the chill but still give them the freedom to play. And of course we can't forget their dolls, to make playtime a little extra special.

Your pets too will begin to feel it – so why not consider some light jackets for them too?

If you already have too many in your wardrobe – there are many fire ravished areas where people will be in need of such items and other winter woollies as winter approaches. There are many organisations collecting these items.

We have a great selection of yarn in store to suit any project - For the extra warmth try loyal wool or fiddlesticks acrylics. Many of the cotton blends make excellent light layers – Cedar cotton/bamboo, Papyrus cotton/silk, Stone Washed or Whirl cotton/acrylic. As does cotton – Organicon Organic cotton, Catona cotton, Almira cotton, MT or Petra Perle 5 cotton.

You are bound to find something suitable in our 'Look what we found' section to get you going. Or start with the free pattern we've found - The [tripletimer](#) bolero.





Book of the Month



Okay this isn't really a book... But I just love the patterns that Scheepjes have published, so I have assembled a collection of their patterns to feature for the month and sell as a set.

AYPCOVERUP7 After Yarn Party Collection \$17.00

A collection of 7 crocheted patterns from the After Yarn Party range issued by Scheepjes suitable for Autumn weather. Includes: Indigo Shrug, Stormy Day Shawl, Dream Cather Shawl, Alto Mare Wrap, Coral Dreams Cardigan, Forest Valley Shawl, Celtic Tiles Wrap

Customers' Corner

Thank you everyone for sending in pictures of what you have been making in the past quarter. We feature below some comments and masterpieces submitted by customers. Send us a photo of your masterpiece (by email or on our facebook page—www.facebook.com/crochetaustralia), telling us which book it came from and which yarn or thread you used, and be in the draw to win a \$25 voucher in October 2019 (see conditions on our website). Please also add any tips you've picked up when making them. Congratulations to Lynley B for winning this quarter's voucher.



Sandals made in the September 2019 workshop using catona cotton and a pair of thongs

SANDAL WORKSHOP



Connie's Ray of Hope done in the October 2019 workshop using catona - money raised went towards Breast Cancer Research - Total raised \$100.

MANDALA WORKSHOP



V-land Scarf and Mimosa Shawl (patterns available on the web) made using Fiddlesticks Superb 88. 'This yarn works up really well and is so super soft to touch'

SHARON E



Charlottes Dream blanket made using stonewash cotton/acrylic blend. Deb loves using this yarn

DEB B



Using Create Handmade cotton made these cute amigurumi monsters and eeyore

LINDEN B



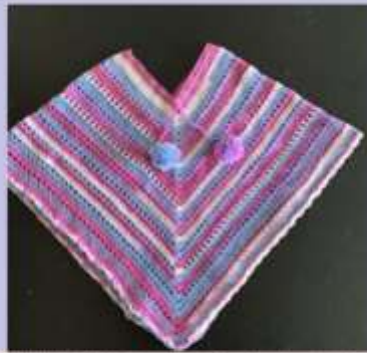
Used Catona cotton to make this flying reindeer

CRYSTAL L



Using the Scheepjes Stonewash cotton/acrylic made this huggable sloth for a friend. Alison found it hard to let go of him...

ALISON K



Used Fiddlesticks Superb 88 to make this poncho for her niece - she just loved using it and the finished look

LYNN E



The ladies just loved making earrings in our December workshop

EARRING WORKSHOP



Tatted angels and booties with Lizbeth #20 cotton thread

K J RICHARDSON



Tatted bag with Lizbeth #20 cotton thread

K J RICHARDSON



Anemone mandala made with a Whirl cotton/acrylic

DIANNE T



Is using Fiddlesticks Superb 8 acrylic for the Fiesta CAL and Scheepjes Stonewash cotton/acrylic with the Equinox pattern

PURPLEINE B



Made these beautiful christening sets using the DMC Petra Perle 5 cotton

NOELINE H



Made the free pattern in our December newsletter using Fiddlesticks Superb 8 acrylic - he had pride of place for Christmas

ANOUK B



Made a selection of baskets using the basket bases and Lanka Tshirt yarn

JONINA S



Candle holders made in the November Workshop using Catona cotton, nylon and metallic perle cotton

CANDLE HOLDERS



Little girl dress from 886080 Princess Party Dresses in Madam Tricot Perle 5 cotton

CHRIS G



Dolls jacket from BK24 Crocheted Outfits for Dolls and Prem Babies with Madam Tricot Perle 5 cotton

CHRIS G



Beanies for the Oncology Ward Newcastle, made with Dazle and adapted patterns from LA4975 Necks & Noggins

CHRIS G



Partly finished sacred space baby blanket using Whirl cotton/acrylic and whirlette

LYNLEY B



Blanket made with MT perle 5 cotton

VIRGINIA M



Crocheted angel, using 4 ply cotton, from 871470 A Very Crochet Christmas.

DAWN H



Sugar glider nests made with Dishcloth cotton and bird nests made with Fiddlesticks Super B acrylic

SHARON M AND JUNE P

Look What We Found



[CL833X](#) Crochet Squared \$29.95



[KA0630](#) Double Stitch Designs Cro Fashions \$34.95



[885132](#) Breezy Mesh Jacket \$8.95



[885093](#) Mobius Wraps for Beginners \$7.95

Visiting hours:

Mon—Fri: 9am—3.00pm

Sat: 1st Saturday of each month 9am—12pm

Workshops: Tues 9.30am—11.30am, Wed 5.30pm—7.30pm

Lessons: Tues 12.30pm—2.30pm, Others as needed

Order three ways (See front page for contact details):

Secure shopping cart, phone or mail.

We ship Monday to Friday. We endeavour to ship all orders received before 12pm on the same day, and orders received after this are shipped on the next business day.



[871423](#) Crochet with Love Knots \$16.95



[ASN1377](#) Knit Ponchos \$13.35



[ASN1378](#) Easy Knit Fashions \$17.00



[A5400](#) Sweet Shawlettes \$24.95



[ASN1314](#) Plus Size Sweater Wardrobe \$30.70



[885120](#) Mobius Accents \$7.95



[ASN1447](#) 10 Hour Fashion Knits \$14.20



[STB16772](#) Mosaic Knitting \$59.50



[LA4656](#) Trendy Crochet for Girls \$19.70



[N1209](#) Delight Vest \$5.60

[LA3981](#) Ponchos for Kids \$17.40



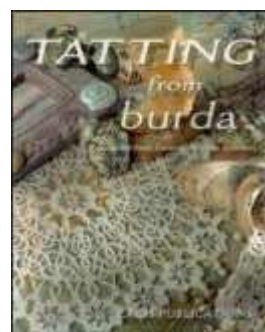
[ASN1383](#) Easy Breezy Wraps \$13.35



[HHT480](#) Flower Motif Tatting Lace \$71.80



[LH14](#) Tatted Fashion \$40.95



[LH15](#) Tatting from Burda \$39.50



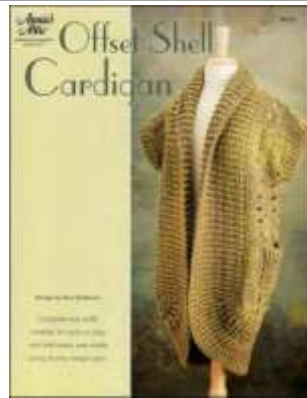
[LA75529](#) Best-Dressed Baby \$12.50



885223 Fit & Flair Vest \$15.20



HL347 Heirloom vest \$5.70



885122 Offset Shell Cardigan \$8.95



LA7226 Shrugs and Boleros \$22.50



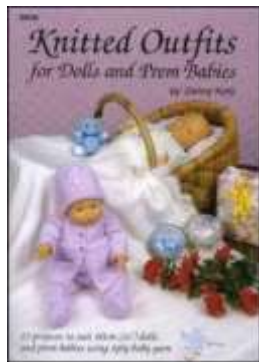
LA4448 Crochet Wraps for Dolly & Me \$15.30



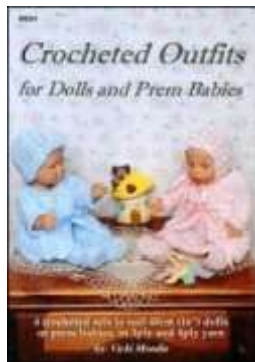
121040 Itty Bitty Baby Doll Clothes \$11.65



PARC156R Crocheting for my Baby \$11.20



BK26 Knitted Outfits for Dolls and Prem Babies \$13.50



BK24 Crocheted Outfits for Dolls and Prem Babies \$13.50



879516 Itty Bitty Babies \$13.70



ASN1443 Matching Knits for Girls & Dolls \$18.50



ACCSHAWLPIN Shawl Pins \$9.50 each



ACCSHAWLPINKNITPRO \$12.50



ACCYRNHOLDBIRCH Yarn Holder \$12.50



ACCACOLWH Colour Wheel \$8.75