



Crochet Extra

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Welcome once again to *Crochet Extra* - Newsletter for you the crocheter. We know it's cold out there at the moment, so hope you have all been keeping warm under your blankets and beanies. We ask you - what other hobby keeps you warm while you work!



A reminder that Clover Arthritic Hooks sizes 0.50mm to 2.00mm and plain hook sets have been discontinued by the manufacturers. So if you like this style of hook now is the time to order. Don't miss out!



In addition to our Cro-Tatting promotion last month we have just received in single Cro-Tat hooks. Check them out in our *New Arrivals* section, along with all our new books.



For a while there we thought we wouldn't get these books as they sat in customs for what felt like forever. We were beginning to think that we might get our 5 minutes of fame on "Border Security", but all was cleared and the books released and delivered. Be quick though as a lot of these books are discontinued. So once sold, we won't be able to get them again.

For the surfers among us all our new stuff can be seen on our website www.crochetaustralia.com.au. Join our email list and be the first to know when new products are listed!! While you are there check out our clearance section, filled with overstocked and discontinued lines. You can even order online through our secure on-line shopping basket facility.



For those of you who don't have internet access we will do our best to keep you up to date through the *Crochet Extra*. Please remember that the extra is only sent out with orders. So if you have missed an issue you can request "back issues" with your next order or simply send us a stamped self addressed business size envelope and tell us the issue you require and we will gladly mail it to you.



We'd like to take this opportunity to welcome new customers to the Crochet Australia network. It's great to see so many people sharing the same passion.

We hope that you all enjoy the August Extra and look forward to hearing from you soon.



So until next monthhappy crocheting!!

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PRODUCT OF THE MONTH



THE BUTTERFLY LOOM

Remember the old weaving looms.....square wooden frames with rusty nails. A little hard to use and even harder to remove the work.

Well they have had a make-over. The Butterfly Loom is Australian designed, owned and invented.



The Butterfly Loom is a wooden hand held device, which comes in four square sizes from 7.5cm to 40cm, and a rectangular size to suit coat-hanger covers. Looms come with full instructions, hints for projects and a needle.



Squares are easily made by winding the yarn around the loom and knotting at each intersection, then

flick the arm at the back of the Butterfly Loom, releasing the finished square. Once you have made the squares from yarn on the loom, join them together to make a variety of pieces such as make rugs, placemats, jackets, scarves, ponchos, bags, coat-hanger covers, in fact just about anything you want.



Use any yarns, ribbons or combinations of yarns and colours for great effects. Children to Grannies love to loom, it is quick and easy, and those with arthritis are finding that once again they are able to craft with yarn. If you can wind it, you can use it with the loom!

The Butterfly Looms
come in 5 sizes

Baby
Small
Medium
Rectangle
Cushion



See our Butterfly Looms on page 25 of the Catalogue.

Don't forget to check out the Butterfly Loom
Specials on the "Extra Specials" page.





Customer Comments

"Hi guys, received the crochet extra in the mail today, and thought what a great idea, and I agree with everyone that the new 2005 catalogue is lovely" SHARON C - ENOGGERA, QLD



"Thanks for the recent order. Keep up the good work. Also love the "Crochet Extra", great idea and I look forward to future editions." KAREN I - SLADE POINT, QLD



"Many thanks for your recent catalogue. Also congratulations on your on-line shopping addition to the website. Your web site seems easier to navigate than it used to be. I purchased a kit for a crocheted shopping bag from you (KIT001), it came out beautifully and now all my friends and family want one too!" JOAN K - MOUNT ANNAN, NSW



"This is great ... no longer do I have to search in vain at stores hoping to come across updated crochet patterns. Thank you so much for making it easy!" RHONDA M - SYDNEY, NSW



"Loved the catalogue. The extra was great too. Wish I had more time to do what I want to make up - roll on retirement!" MARGARET D - BANORA POINT, NSW



"Thank you for sending my parcel. I have already crocheted a doily with the Altin Basak #30. I was very pleased with the cotton." SYLVIA J - CARRABOLLA, NSW



"Thanks so much for my parcel and the goodies. I have made some lovely designs out of books Dorrie has gotten for me from your catalogue. Keep up the good work." BEATTIE C - GATTON, QLD



Special Thankyou

A special thank you goes out to BETTY K - EPPING, VIC who sent Mum & I these lovely hankies!! We were most surprised to open the mail and find these presents! Thanks Betty!



THANK YOU



Be sure to check out our new hanky range in the "New Arrivals" section!!

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Masterpieces of the Month



Send us a photo of your masterpiece and tell us what book it came from and your masterpiece could feature in the next edition of "Crochet Extra"



JEAN J - WAVEL HEIGHTS, QLD came to visit us recently and brought with her this stunning tablecloth that she crocheted



from a Crochet Monthly Magazine using our Altin Basak Maxi #10 Cotton.



"Your website has everything a crocheter could possibly desire. Thank you. Here is a doily that I crocheted from a Elizabeth Hiddleston Book EH30 with your Aida size 20. I love it."

RICKI D - MOORA, WA



"This is a photo of the doily I have made with your Eldorado #10 crochet cotton, no 2 hook and a pattern from Paragon Crochet Book (PARCR2). In the book it was size 40 cotton which is too fine for me. It looked a bit hard, and as I taught myself to crochet, I'm quite proud of myself!" FREDAM - GLENROY, VIC



HAPPY HOOKERS COMPETITION

The Crochet Australia Team is proud to announce the winner of our "Happy Hookers Competition" who will receive a \$20 gift voucher.

**CONGRATULATIONS
HELEN TAYLOR
MOOLOOLAH, QLD**



Entering the competition couldn't be easier. All you have to do is place an order. All orders will enter the random draw which takes place on the last day of every month. Good Luck!!



Great Ideas From Clever Crocheters!

"Everyone was thrilled with their books! I'm sure we will get a lot of enjoyment from them. I had a ball just looking through them."

KIM C - GLEN INNES, NSW



Kim and her friends have the right idea. They place one order for the group and share the postage, saving them all money!!



KAY Z - CABOOLTURE, QLD is a regular at our crochet classes and has been doing some volunteer work at nursing homes. She has some suggested sizes for cushions & rugs for use in nursing homes.



CUSHIONS - 12" x 16" (31cm x 41cm)
SQUARE CUSHIONS - 16" x 16" (41cm x 41cm)
KNEE COVERS - 48" x 30" (122cm x 76cm)
- 42" x 30" (107cm x 76cm)

Once again a big thanks to everyone who has contributed to Crocheter's Corner this month.

Remember that Crochet Extra is your newsletter so please write to us or email your views, hints, tips, crocheting experiences and favourite products!! Send us a photo and it may be published in future editions!

Send your letters to:-



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Thanks for your suggestions Kay and **Happy Birthday** for this month from all the gang!

We have got a **FREE RUG PATTERN** on offer if anyone would like one. Simply request one with your next order, or send us a stamped self addressed envelope and we will post one to you.



THE INSIDE STORY

Well it's been a busy month here at Crochet Australia, (as you can see by the "New Arrivals" section). My sister Sue came to visit from WA, which to Mum means finding room amongst the crochet cotton to put a bed and organising family meals. Where as, I see it as an excuse to eat out, drink excessively and party!! I'm sure this will come back to bite me one day when I have kids but for now Shadow and Dancer (my dogs) are perfect substitutes.

The dogs too have had a busy month with rounding up the mail and ensuring Dad and my sister Katrina get their daily dose of exercise with an afternoon walk. You know people in the US pay big money to have their dogs walked - not me I get mine walked daily for free!!



It's really a dog's life here you know. They even get morning tea with Mum and Dad. I recently made them dogs biscuits and Trina even bought me a bone shaped cookie cutter to make them extra special! They went down a real treat.



Not only are the dogs spoilt but my cat, HSV is on the "A list" as well. She is constantly found sleeping on Robert's rug that Mum made and he hates it!! (He just isn't a cat person) So Mum made HSV her very own rug in the same colours as Robert's. She just loves it!!



In keeping with the animal theme this month, check out this pre-chewed order we received from MRS RIXON - BRIDGETOWN, WA and her helpful budgie!!! Writing next to arrow says "Sorry my budgie got to this, she was sending her regards"



Ahh what's life without an animal...they can be so helpful at times!

Here is Shadow and Dancer waiting patiently in the car with the mail, ready for their afternoon walk!!



Well we're off to post the mail, so see you next month!!

Kim

