



Crochet Extra

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Welcome to the May 2006 Edition of Crochet Extra.

With all these public holidays we are a little off balance so if it's Wednesday and we ask you how your weekend was - just go along with it, we will catch up eventually!!

We are settling into the new building quite well, it's still doesn't have a name, but that doesn't stop us filling it to the brim with new stock! The LA and Annie's Attic shipments have arrived from the US and there is something in there for everyone. As well as new books we have the *Learn to cro-tat the new and improved way* and new *circular bamboo knitting needles*. In addition to this the ever popular *lifellex knitting needles* are now available as set with a pouch and caddy. So be sure to check out the New Arrivals sections so you can be up to date with what's new in the world of crochet!



The *Madame Tricote Crochet Cottons* featured in last months newsletter have been a real hit. So many of you have commented on how much you like it, especially the new colours in the Perle 5 for the towel tops. If you'd like a colour chart for any of the new threads simply request them with your next order.

The Brisbane Stitches and Craft show was in town last month and although we didn't go as Crochet Australia, Vicki did make a trip down to assist on the Bella Embroidery Designs stand; which makes for an interesting experience from a crocheter's point of view. She also managed to catch up with a few of you, put some names to faces and all in all had a great day.

We are madly trying to get the next catalogue out for you, and hopefully it won't be too much further away. For now though the internet is the most up to date source of information and is updated daily. So if you're looking for something new get onto our website and have a look around.



Don't forget to check out the Extra Specials page and grab yourself a bargain!

For all the mothers out there we'd like to wish you all a very Happy Mother's Day.



So until next month.....happy crocheting!!

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. This is the winner from the March period.

CONGRATULATIONS
BEV H
CHATSWOOD WEST, NSW



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!!



PRODUCT OF THE MONTH

CRAFT MOODS PUBLICATIONS

Craft Moods (one of our family businesses) is an Independent publisher of simple, practical Australian crochet and knitting books; Paragon crochet and Paragon knitting publications; all proudly designed and printed in Caboolture, Queensland, Australia.



Craft Moods Craft Books are Handy A5 size books with colour front cover illustrations, easy to follow instructions (and diagrams where necessary), and either black and white pictures or colour plates of finished articles including crochet/knitted hand towel tops, tea cosies, doilies, jug covers, baby clothes, premature baby clothes, doll's clothes, rugs and shawls, coat-hanger covers and eyelet lace projects.

Paragon Crochet and Knitting Books are revised editions containing crochet or tatting instructions for a wide variety of projects including doilies, collars, gloves, bedspreads, tablecloths, motifs, edges, etc. or knitting instructions (mostly outfits for dolls, babies and children) with black and white pictures of the finished articles. Also includes the Heritage Series books which are an unabridged version of the original Paragon series and have been reproduced using the latest laser scanning and digital printing technology.

Whilst there has been more books in the pipeline, time has not permitted their publication since the conception of our retail business Crochet Australia, which originally was designed to supply quality crochet books and thread at a fair price to you the Australian consumer. We were hoping to work both with equal enthusiasm but as your needs grew, Crochet Australia expanded to what it is today. We have nurtured this business from conception and built it with strong foundations, and now it is out of nappies, up and walking, and ready to be helped through adolescence, we hope to have a bit more time to put together some more great ideas in the coming year.

EXTRA SPECIAL SNEAK PEEK!

Weldon's Practical Needlework books -

These books are Limited Editions reproduced from the original Weldon's Books that were printed in the late 1800's the engravings in these books are just beautiful.

Buy any Weldon Book this month and receive a free pack of needles, tape measure and clover seam ripper!



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You guys have me addicted to
crochet. I can't stop!

ALICIA W, MOUNT EVELYN – VIC

Hi. Wow. I got my order of hooks today!! That was so
fast! Thanks for the great service. I'll be shopping with
you again.

LOUISE M, CALIFORNIA – USA



Thank you for the quick dispatch of my latest order, thanks also for
the newsletters I requested. **MANUELA S, MACQUARIE
FIELDS - NSW**

"I love my Crochet Extra!!"



Hi, I received both my orders

today, thank you. I also received your free gifts, thank you very
much; it was nice doing business with you.

VIVIENNE C, COFFS HARBOUR – NSW

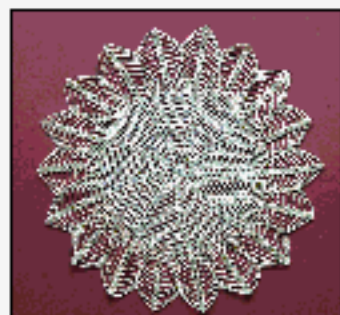


Masterpieces of the Month

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"



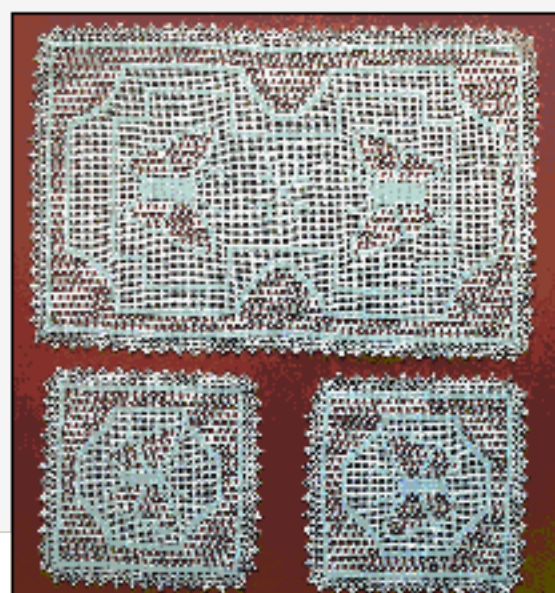
LARAIN L - CROWS NEST, QLD came to visit us
recently and brought with her some of her recent crochet work



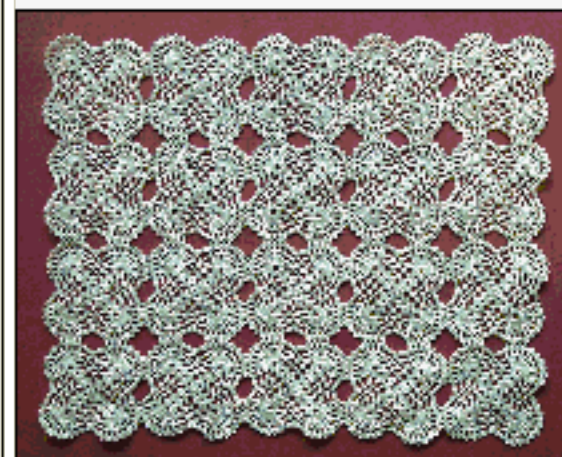
Jug Cover using **Merger #20**
and **Myart Book 3**



Butterfly Duchess Set using
Merger #60 and **Australian
Womens Mirror July 1958**



Tablecloth using **Merger #20**
and **Crochet Monthly No268**



My friend **DORRIE B -
TENTHILL, QLD** made
me this stunning table
runner. The pattern is from
**Book #44 of Crochet
Monthly**. It took 6 balls of
Coats #20 Cream 608.
Regards **WENDY T**



JENNY N, SOFALA - NSW sent
Mum & I these gorgeous Pansy
Pins earlier last year (she thought
Dad would be too busy tatting to
want to wear a pansy pin!) Jenny
got the pattern from a Terry

Kimbrough afghan book **LA3209**. An accident has left Jenny
unable to crochet for the moment but she's right into the cross
stitch (a lady of my own heart). Don't worry Jenny one day I'll
convince them to make it Crochet / X Stitch Australia!!

Hi Just checked out the customer
masterpieces on your web site. I

would just like to say to fellow crocheters that the work
they have done is great. An inspiration to others. I
also being a crocheter love it and can't get enough
some days. Keep the good work going and
congratulations to Crochet Australia for making it all
possible. **TERRI R, WHITTON – NSW**



Just a quick email to say thanks for
your efficient postage. My cotton arrived this
morning along with your freddo frog!! I am tempted
to come down and have a look. You have a huge
range by the look of your catalogue. **JENNY Mc,
CURRAMUNDI – QLD**

*(Don't get upset if you don't get a chocky surprise when your order goes as a
large letter – they just don't fit and we don't want the rollers at the Post
Office to squash them, so we can only pack surprises in parcels!)*



This beautiful crocheted lorikeet blanket is one of many
masterpieces created by **KIM S - WALLSEND, NSW**. The
Rainbow Lorikeets and Alphabet blanket is worked on a **6mm
Tricot Hook** and uses **8ply Acrylic Yarn**. The birds
and letters are worked into the crochet (not
embroidered on). Kim is interested in learning
from anyone who does Tricot/Tunisian and would
like to share pattern
ideas or anyone who
has Australian birds
or animals in cross
stitch graphs that
can be used to make
crocheted items.



**VAL V- BUNDAMBA,
QLD** - sent us these
pictures of her
finished filet crochet
projects. The first is
"Deers" from
**Crochet Fantasy
Book 18**, Val entered this piece
in the Show and won 1st Prize.
The other is "The Last Supper"
from **HC3117
Filet Crochet
Religious
Charts** she is
hoping to win
a prize in this
years show
with it!



PAT H - CABOOLTURE, QLD is a
part of our crochet group and has just
finished "**The Balcony**" from the Bella
Linen collection. It came as a quilt
panel and Pat has quite cleverly made
it into a cushion.



THE INSIDE STORY

The last month or so has been very busy for me 5 family birthdays = 5 family dinners, Easter = copious amounts of chocolate, my sister came down to visit for the Easter break = another family dinner and a pavlova, Friends Wedding = celebratory drinks followed up with champagne, and then Anzac Day = playing 2 up at the RSL and drinks to boot. Gee when I put it this way it has come to my attention that I have a food and drink addiction - no wonder I have to spend my spare time at the gym!! At least the dogs don't mind they are always up for an extra walk, that is when they are not breaking into the house through the cat door to steal food from the pantry (I wonder where they get that from!!) They too are happy little furies this month as Dad has built them a gate on the Veranda of the building so that they won't run out in front our visitors, but that won't stop them giving you a warm welcome, they give free barks and licks and will quite happily receive schmackos in return! In other news Football season has started, which means I now devote my weekend to watching Rob play football and serving beer at the home games! (Good luck Snakes for the 2006 season!) Don't worry though I get Rob back by getting him to help put catalogues in envelopes when it's finally finished. I have started I promise! Finally I would like to wish Mum and all the other Mum's a very Happy Mothers Day, fingers crossed that you get flowers and breakfast in bed!



Kim

