



Crochet Extra

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Welcome to the May 2007 newsletter!!

So much to tell you all about this month. There is new stuff galore, and it's not just for the crocheters! There is something for everyone this month.

We have had a new shipment of tea towel and hand towels just arrived, as well as the long awaited face washers customers have been asking for. We have new printed designs in the tea towels, and new matching floral hand towels and face washers. Also in this shipment new printed hankies and linen embroidery shapes.

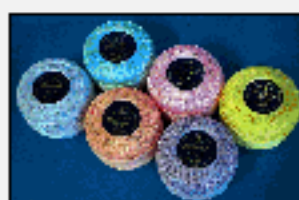


For the doll makers we now stock doll stands in 4 sizes.

Those who make beaded purses will be pleased that we now have in purse frames in a variety of styles and sizes. Also for the beaders new packs of Pre-Strung Beads in great colours.



Those of you who like the Finca thread will be pleased that we now stock Finca Crochet Cotton in #50 and #30 in colours as well as white and ecru, and the #80 and #100 in white and ecru.



The very popular Boye crochet hook cases are now back in stock, so if you've been waiting to get your hands on one of these—now 's the time!!

Bella Embroidery Desings has released some new traced linen in centres, 3pc sets and panel blocks (these panels make great wall hangings!)



Also this month we are proud to release our 46th Crochet Kit.



Kit 046 Pin Cushion Hat Kit with Porcelain Doll. Kit includes Porcelain Mini Doll, Thread and the Crochet pattern. Great value at only \$39. This kit is available in a variety of colours to suit any décor. Speak to Vicki to discuss your colour needs.

So turn the page and check out our "New Arrivals" section and be sure to grab yourself a bargain in the "Extra Specials".

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

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PRODUCT OF THE MONTH

TATTING & CRO-TATTING

Tatting is a century old craft which was initially used in garment making, but today it is chiefly use for edges, doilies and small decorative pieces. Tatting designs consist of rings, chains and picots worked with thread and a shuttle.

Cro-tatting has the delicate look of tatting but is worked with a cro-tat hook and thread.



Here at Crochet Australia, even though our primary aim is to specialise in crochet supplies, to give our crocheters the complete package, over the past few years more and more tatters have approached us to help them have a reliable source of tatting supplies.

So far we have not been able to take on this challenge with the passion that we have for crocheting, but hopefully further down the track, when time and finances permit, we will delve a little further.

To date we have sourced shuttles (plastic, metal and antique), threads, books and imported the finer threads in a vast quantity of colours, found more tatting books from overseas, and delighted our tatting friends with our latest acquisition of spoked fabric shapes and quality hankies. Our dedication has even encouraged Ray (The Leader of the Pack!), with the help of Betty and June, to re write the Paragon Learn to tat book so that we may help more tatters to tackle this craft.

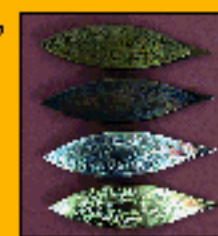
For cro-tatting we have the package "Learn to Cro-Tat the New and Improved Way" along with a selection of books to challenge you.



Our **Tatting Thread** range consists of DMC Dentelles, Venus, Altin Basak Klasik and Finca just to name a few! Within our **Shuttles** you will find brands like Clover, Boye, Inox, Birch and even Lacis Replicas. In our **Book** department we

have books from Australia and America as well as titles that we have especially imported from Denmark! **Hankies** have always been popular with

the Tatters and we now have quite a large range of hankies. However new for the tatters are our **Linen Shapes** and **Mats**, available in a wide range of shapes and colours. Perfect as a doily or join them together to make something bigger!



With these books, hooks and shuttles the possibilities are endless.

See inside for more Terrific Tatting & Creative Cro-Tatting Ideas!



"Just wanted to let you know how happy I am with your service and products. Thank you for all the extras in my mail order. Grandchildren enjoyed the frogs, me everything else. I am so glad you are there, and all your products. I'm in for a lovely winter, with all I want to make for Christmas presents." **ROSEMARY R—**



WESTBURY VIC

"I'm e-mailing my thanks for the very prompt service. Well done. The Ondori book of 'Gorgeous Crochet Lace' is just that—with so many designs that scream "Do me first!". Thank you again. **BETH T - MORWELL, VIC**

"Thank you for the order. Love the plain coloured towels!"
LORNA B - MARYBOROUGH, QLD

"Thanks for the quick post and response to all things. After getting my books, I wish I was an octopus so I could start all 8 projects all at once. I have four children so being an octopus is a dream of mine!"
CATHERINE M - SAMPSONVALE, QLD



"Thank you Crochet Australia for quick delivery of goods. The quality of the products I purchased were fantastic to say the least, and thank you for including a catalogue and newsletter."

MERRAN R - CRAIGMORE, SA

"Just wanted to thank you for the super quick arrival of my order. The variety of thread colours is great and the hardanger book will get a beating both here and at the club! Thanks for the great service you provide constantly." **BEV P - MORAYFIELD, QLD**



"Thank you for the order I received today, that is the quickest service I have received. Love the threads!"
ROBYN T - TRUNDLE, NSW

"Many thanks for your prompt attention to previous orders, also for the free gifts - a surprise is good for everyone - and your gifts are great!"
LEXIE B - TENTERFIELD, NSW

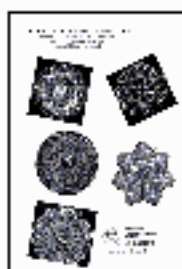


Masterpieces of the Month

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"



Here are a few stunning creations from our good friend **TERRY W - EVERTON PARK, QLD.**



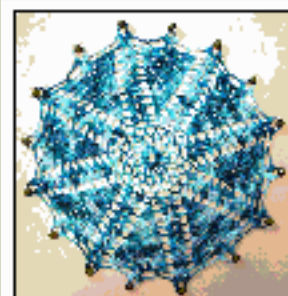
Terry's doily is crocheted in **#20 Daphne** from a pattern in the Elizabeth Hiddleston Pack 10 **EHPACK10.**



These coloured hankies come to life with the **Klasik #30** and a pattern from Myart Book 2.



Thanks Terry these pieces are truly inspirational!



Here is just a snippet of what **FAY B - KIPPA RING, QLD** had to show us when she visited recently. Fay has been busy crocheting Jug covers with variegated **#10 Maxi** using Jug Cover Books **BK13 & BK21.**



Fay also likes to make coffee tablecloths this beautiful swirl pattern comes from **Elizabeth Hiddleston Book EH8A** using **Eldorado #10.**



Here are some photos that **DIANE G - MOOROOKA, QLD** sent us. Diane made up the pattern for the poncho and the crinoline lady face washers in an older style pattern. She says the face washers are a joy to crochet and make great gifts too! *Thanks Diane!*



What a great idea and these rugs would make excellent gifts!



Here are some rugs crocheted by **GWEN L - WOORIM, QLD.** Gwen cleverly used her scrap 8 ply wool to make all 3 of these rugs - and don't they look great!



AMANDA M - DARWIN, NT is a Navy Officer who takes her crocheting away with her to sea, she works on various projects in between apprehending illegal Indonesian fishing vessels. She entered various pieces into the Canberra Royal show and came away with four 1st prizes and four 2nd prizes!



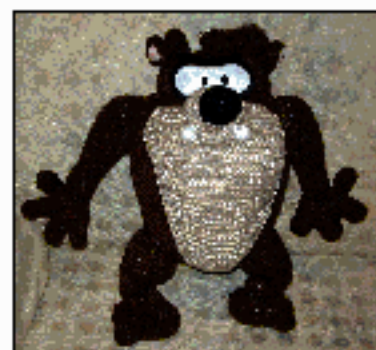
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Here are some pics of Amanda's own designed crochet hook case and accessories. It's done "on the side" as opposed to back and forth which helped her form the hook slots. Instead of buttons she used magnetic closures. *Thanks for sending us the pics Amanda and congrats on your show wins!*

Look out here comes Taz Devil! How cute is this little guy made by **RITA C - WETHERILL PARK, NSW.** Rita made him for a work colleague's grandson.

I guess until next months Crochet Extra "That's All Folks!"



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 2007 period.



CONGRATULATIONS
LARISSA B
DENISTONE EAST, 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!!

THE INSIDE STORY



Whilst at the gym this morning my trainer asked me what I had planned at work today. To which I replied writing a newsletter! He suggested that I include a recipe so here is my fave choc squares, but if Sean asks I'll be sure to tell him it was for a delicious salad!! He he!



Kim's Fave Choc Squares.

Mix together 1 cup SR flour, 1 cup sugar, 1 cup coconut, 1 cup cornflakes, ½ cup crushed nuts, 2 dessert spoons cocoa, ½ cup sultanas. Add 1 beaten egg and ¾ cup melted butter & ½ tsp vanilla. Press into a flat greased tray. Bake at 180° for 20 mins. Ice with chocolate icing while slice is still warm. Sprinkle with coconut. When icing is set cut into squares. Keeps best in fridge.

Enjoy! But be warned these choc squares can be addictive!!

Kim