



Crochet Extra

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Welcome to the August 2007 newsletter!!

There's so much to tell you about this month I just don't know where to start!! So prepare for information overload!

Lots of people that subscribe to the Crochet Extra have been asking if they will be notified when their subscription is due again so they don't miss any issues. The answer to this is yes - we will notify you about a month beforehand so that you can renew your subscription! If you don't already have a subscription and would like your extra sent to you along with bonus specials, discounts and free patterns simply return to us the subscription form along with your annual \$10 fee and we'll add you to the listing! It's that easy!



Lots of new Leisure Arts and Elizabeth Hiddleston books (amongst others) to check out this month and many more on their way. We have shipments due in from Annie's Attic, American School of Needlework, Nordic Needle and Gourmet Crochet. Also on their way are new Bead Knitting Patterns.

Hardanger and needlework lovers get excited! Not only do we have more Hardanger books on their way but,wait for it.....our Oren Bayan Perle will soon be available in #12. Currently we stock the #8 in 130 plain and 20 variegated colours. The #12 will be available in these colours too! At only \$2.15 per ball these are a great buy! So keep a look out for them.



Anyone travelling in the Toowoomba area late August should pencil into their diary the Australian Heritage Festival at the Jondaryan Woolshed. Nine days when history comes alive! Hundreds of volunteers come with their machinery, equipment, livestock, arts and crafts to re-enact lifestyles and skills of our rural pioneers. It's on 25th Aug to 2nd Sept so be sure to check it out if you're in the area....and don't forget to drop in and visit us on the way....or the way back!



So until next month.....

happy crocheting!!

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PRODUCT OF THE MONTH

Baby Knit & Crochet

Now as you all know, there is baby yarn, and there is quality baby yarn that is a pleasure to knit or crochet. Here at Crochet Australia we have found that our customers prefer to use our Wendy Peter Pan Baby Yarn that is soooooo soft, machine washable and able to be put in the dryer when necessary. What more could you ask for when making those tiny articles for the mum who is always on the go, and with no time for hand washing.



Peter Pan comes in 50g balls in 2ply (white and cream), 3ply, 4ply and 8ply (white, cream and colours), so all the bases are covered here. Not only do we stock the traditional white, cream, blue, pink and yellow but other colours and prints to tempt even the fussiest new mum.

Now if you are after the vintage look, we have rayon in many colours. Remember it is better value to buy this yarn in cones, nearly half the price. It is also great for trimming a bunny rug with an heirloom edge.

Still want more? Then our new perle #5 would be ideal for edges or making articles for the summer baby. Choose a colour and it is sure to be in this range. Even variegated colours are available. Colours that up to now, you have only dreamed of!

To complement these yarns, we carry a large range of knitting and crochet books from Leisure Arts, Peter Pan, Paragon, Annie's, Heirloom and La Fon, ranging in sizes from premature to 2yrs. We also have patterns from Sharon Wilson that contain the most beautiful Christening gowns. Need baby rug books, we have them too.



To complete the package we have hooks of all types and qualities. These are made from steel, aluminum, wood and of course bamboo. Some even have flat handles for comfortable crocheting. So you are a knitter as well? Just for you we have the Lite Flex knitting needles which have a life time guarantee and you will not break these by accident. Yes we have all done that and usually half way through the row. Liteflex needles are different because they have arthritic properties to ease your tired hands. They are made of a special material that will bend but not break. These needles have a more defined point to make your knitting even more enjoyable.



To help you get started, colour charts of the above yarns are available at no cost. Just ask with your next order, and don't forget to check out the specials on the Peter Pan Shawl kits that we have this month.



The baby in your life has never been so well looked after!





"It's so nice to be able to just spend the time browsing your multitudes of patterns 'till I am inspired. I am so glad that you exist, for you are my crochet heaven!" **MONICA A - KURUNJANG, VIC**

"I would like to thank you for your wonderful service. I really do appreciate your newsletters and emails. Your prompt service makes life so much easier for oldies like me who live in the country. I would love to meet Dancer and Shadow but I'm afraid I live too far away!"



CAROLE P - CORRIGIN, WA

(I gave them a "virtual pat" for you Carole and they're sending you back waggy tailed wet kisses!)

"I received my order. You are so quick. I have begun making things out of the 2 books that I ordered and can not wait to get to the other patterns! It is a shame that work gets in the way of my crocheting!" **JAN T - HAMILTON, VIC**

Customer Comments

"I just thought I'd let you know I got my order in 3 days to regional WA. Wow - what a fantastic service! I will definitely recommend you to others!" **MICKIE C - BUNBURY, WA**

"Received my parcel today (Learn to Crochet DVD), so I'm going to sit down and watch the DVD and get started on what I have wanted to be able to do for so many years!" **JANETTE C - NTH GEELONG, VIC**



"Love the newsletters and hope to drop in on one of my trips to Brisbane. Naturally we will ring first. A friend and I want to visit you, Spotlight, Storybrook Cottage and as many coffee shops as we can possibly fit in between! Keep up the good work."

DESLEY R - BLACKBUTT, QLD

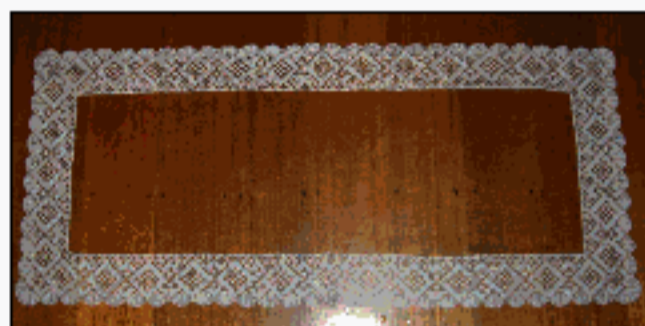


Masterpieces of the Month

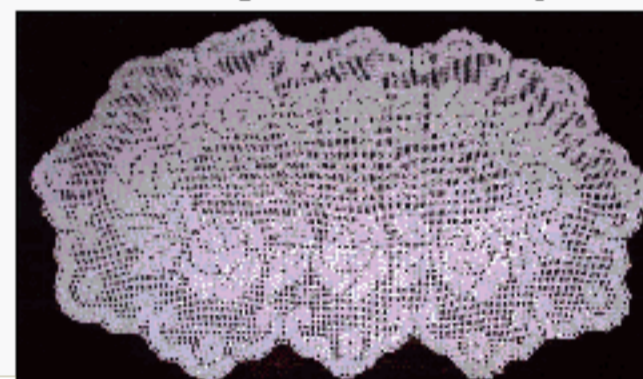
Send us a photo of your masterpiece and tell us what book it came from and your masterpiece could feature in the next edition of "Crochet Extra"



Thought that you would like to see this piece of Bobbin Lace that I have just finished.....it is made from Linen thread and will have a linen centre sewn in by hand...so will take some time to complete! **JOY M - MORWELL, VIC**



When **DEIDRE Mc - SPRINGWOOD, QLD** came to visit recently with the Qld Lace Guild she brought with her this photo of a runner she made using a pattern called "Rose Remembrance" from **ASN1283 Filet Table Runners & Placemats and Placemats and #20 Aida** crochet cotton.



This photo was sent to us by **DAWN L - VICTORIA POINT, QLD**. Dawn used **ASN1137 Oval Doilies Patterns** to make this pretty pink and white doily.



Dawn said she has also crocheted several Three Piece Doily Sets from Vicki's book **BK22 Crocheted Three Piece Sets**.

Good times were had by all when Dorrie and her two sisters Gloria and Beattie from Gatton came to visit us last month. Meeting them here was their friend Gloria from Kybong. These ladies certainly made a day of it - picnic lunch and all! They also brought along some of their recent works to show us.



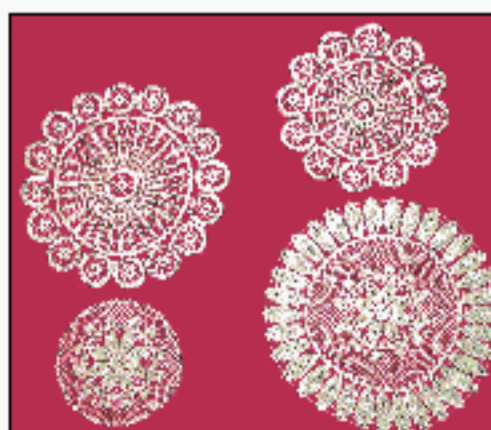
This stunning doily crocheted by **DORRIE B - LOWER TENT HILL, QLD** was done using Coats Mercer #20 and Crochet Monthly No 287.

INA T - DREWVALE, QLD created this eye-catching tablecloth that measures 120cm using **Maxi #10** and a pattern called "Vanilla" from **Crochet Monthly No 28**.



This lavender runner was from our Effie Mitrofanis Collection and has been beautifully hand

embroidered by **GLORIA S - GATTON, QLD**.



BEATTIE C - GATTON, QLD (91 yrs old and still crocheting) used **MYM SELEC09** and #40 Coats mercer crochet cotton to crochet this wonderful collection of doilies.

and **GLORIA F - KYBONG, QLD**

had this cute lion hand towel to show us!



MONICA A - KURUNJANG, VIC sent us this pic of some baby clothes she made recently.

Aren't they just adorable!

Monica used patterns from **875554 Beautiful Baby Boutique** and 4ply wool. She said that it was easy to make and she really loved how it turned out.



The 3 Sisters
Gloria, Dorrie
and Beattie.

*In the cookies of life,
sisters are the
chocolate chips.*



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 JUNE 2007 period.



CONGRATULATIONS
ELLAB
BURDELL, 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!!



THE INSIDE STORY



Well it sure has been burr-chilly here this month, even with ugg boots and my crocheted rug mum made for me (I'm spoilt I know) it's still freezing! Even the dogs are cold 'cause they're still running around in their pyjamas at 10am! (They're spoilt too!)



Sometimes I wonder, if we are in the sunshine state.... how cold it must be down south? Maybe if I eat more chocolate I'll keep warmer I'm willing to give it a go!



Kim

