



# Crochet Extra

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Welcome to 2009 and may it be a happy and healthy year for you all. Many thanks to all of our customers who sent Christmas greetings and New Year cheers.

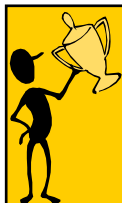
This year has already taken off for us and once more we are about to embark on a new venture. We have a range of 4ply thread coming from Turkey to replace the dwindling supply of Regal and Milford. More about that next month when it should be on the shelves. We are also increasing our range of Madame Tricote Perle 5 colours which will be in the same order.

The elves have been busy bundling up packs of Crochet Monthly, Decorative Crochet and Magic Crochet. Basically a free book in each bundle of 6. Many of our call-in visitors have enjoyed choosing from the variety that these books offer. We cannot get these books again as they are now discontinued.

As some of you may already know, the Clover Arthritic hooks in the 2mm have been reintroduced (they have been unavailable for a long time).

For us and many of our customers, 2008 had its ups and downs so we are happy to welcome in the new year with lots of great specials, customer masterpieces and new products to keep you interested.

*Vicki*



## PRODUCT OF THE MONTH

**Boye Products** – knitting and crochet sets, tatting shuttles, cro hooks, hairpin frames and bloom loom.

In recent times we have sold many brands of crochet hooks and knitting needles always keeping in mind that quality and price are important factors. This range has both.

The following is an extract from the manufactures of these great products

Founded in 1906, the Boye Needle Company was the first manufacturer to make a complete line of knitting pins. Introduction of the circular knitting needle, perfection points, the flexible knitting needle, and the NeedleMaster kit has enabled Boye to become the undisputed leader in the art needle industry. Because of the unusually high degree of quality and the accuracy of gauge, the Boye size is called the US Standard and is used by yarn companies in making their patterns.

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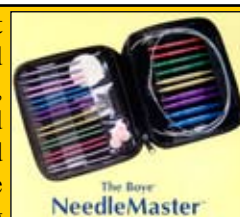
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**NeedleMaster™** Component Knitting Set for making circulars, flexible straight, and stitch holders. Needle sizes 2 through 15, with cables to create 20", 24", 29", 36" and unlimited custom sizes. Fitted zippered organizer for home or travel. (These are our sizes 2.75mm – 10mm) The knitting needles with points preferred by knitters throughout the world.



**CrochetMaster™** Complete set of aluminum and steel crochet hooks in fitted organizer case. These hooks have the **Boye Tapered Throat™** and are exclusively used by Boye and adopted as the world's standard design and used by manufacturers throughout the world.

**Boye crochet hooks**, steel and aluminum, feature smooth throats, rounded heads to prevent fraying or splitting of threads, and built in thread leads for fast uniform crocheting. Boye steel crochet hooks are made from tempered steel to prevent bending out of shape and nickel plated to prevent rusting. Boye steel hooks are made to U.S. sizing standards. Aluminum crochet hooks and knitting needles are made from the highest grade of light weight aluminum and come in assorted colors.

**Boye knitting needles** are designed for superior performance. The Boye perfection concave points help prevent dropped stitches and the rounded head allows for fast knitting without splitting the yarn. Boye is the only company that makes all knitting needles the same as the U.S. Standard Knitting Gauge.

We also stock Boye 14" **cro hooks** for On the double crochet (reversible Tunisian) in 7 sizes - 3.75mm to 9mm;



Boye **tatting shuttles** in both plastic and metal; plus **Bloom Looms** for making 3 1/2" single sided flowers or 2" double sided flowers. Use with yarn, ribbon, cord or braids. Needle and instructions included for the double side flowers.

**Hair pin tools** are used in making: shawls, sweaters, skirts, baby bonnets and jackets, collar and cuff sets, berets, hand bags, scarfs, stoles, afghans, dresses, blouses, pillows, vests, placemats, lace, decorative ruffles, and more!



**Boye® "I Taught Myself to Crochet" Kit** Includes: The "I Taught Myself to Crochet" book; Crochet Hooks sizes F, G, H, I, K; Afghan Hook size I; Tapestry Yarn Needles; Stitch Marker Rings; Bulky Knit Yarn Bobbins. Perfect as a gift for the beginner crochet or a treat for yourself.

This month we are not only featuring these great products but some are at a special price so that you can enjoy them even more.

**WE'RE HOOKED ON CROCHET!**



## CROCHETER'S CORNER

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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"

Here are some customer comments and masterpieces for this month!

Thank you very much for the parcel of Goods I ordered on Friday. I am still trying to work out how it arrived here did it come by Australia Post or by Santa. When I went out to my box on Sunday to clear any junk mail there was the parcel from you. Now I know it had not been there from any other day and the parcel man had been here on Saturday, so Australia Post was delivering on Sunday or it was really Santa helping you? **Dorothy G North Ipswich Qld**  
*Ed: Our lips are sealed Santa.*



Thank you for all the information you send during the year. I do not do a lot of crocheting, I do knit, however and I really enjoy your newsletter and wish you a great 2009.

**Robin M North Sydney NSW**

Thank you for the prompt and cheerful service you provide, always a pleasure to do business with you. I'll see if I can sneak in a few more orders next year (damn joint credit card now)  
**Lisa R Ferntree Gully Vic**



Thank you, received my order yesterday. The yo-yo maker certainly makes yo-yo making a whole lot easier. **Charmain S Mt Gravatt East Qld**

*We have yo-yos for round, flower and heart shapes from \$9.20 to \$11.00.*

**Mary R of Logan Central Qld** has been busy, here is a pic of a woven yellow doily using #20 cotton from an old Crochet Monthly.



**Julie P of Green Point NSW** tells us that she made the Dutch tea cosy doll featured some time back and she uses hers as a toilet roll holder.

Also pictured are her Sailors in their beaded suits from the pattern TTDSSS Sailor Suit for 6" doll (\$8.75)



## Happy Hookers Competition

The Crochet Australia Team is proud to announce the winners of our "Happy Hookers Competition" who will receive a \$20 gift voucher. The winners for the Nov and Dec 2008 period are:



**Congratulations  
Lynnette I, Nome QLD**

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**Sylvia L, Corromal NSW**



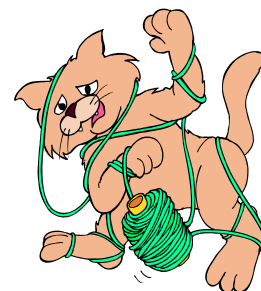
Entering the competition couldn't be easier. All you have to do is place an order. All orders will enter the random draw which takes place on the last day of every month. Good Luck!!



## Handy Hints



**Margaret P of Caboolture QLD** tells us that she uses a 1kg plastic fruit container with a screw lid as a yarn holder while she is knitting/crocheting. Just make sure the opening is large enough and the jar has a smooth edge.





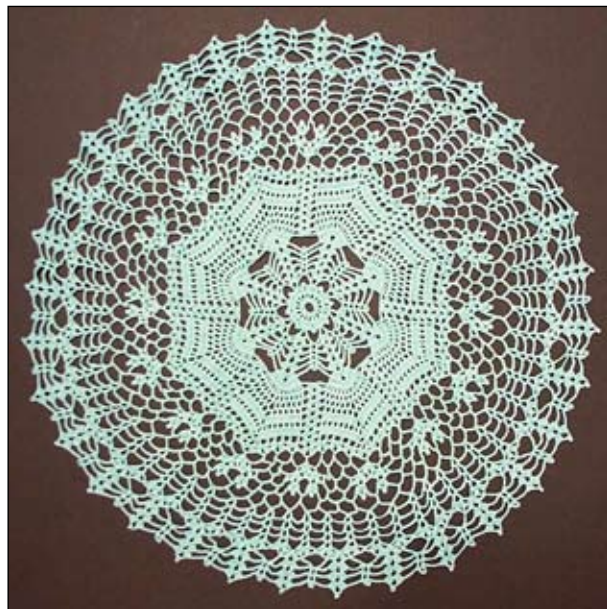
My first order arrived today & it was a lovely surprise to find the 'chocolate treats' - most unexpected & a lovely way to welcome a new member. Thank you for the kind thought. **Lyn M, of BOYUP BROOK WA**



Many thanks for all your help and parcels you have sent over the years. Always they arrive very promptly. The little surprises are truly appreciated.  
**Gloria G, of Bindoon WA**



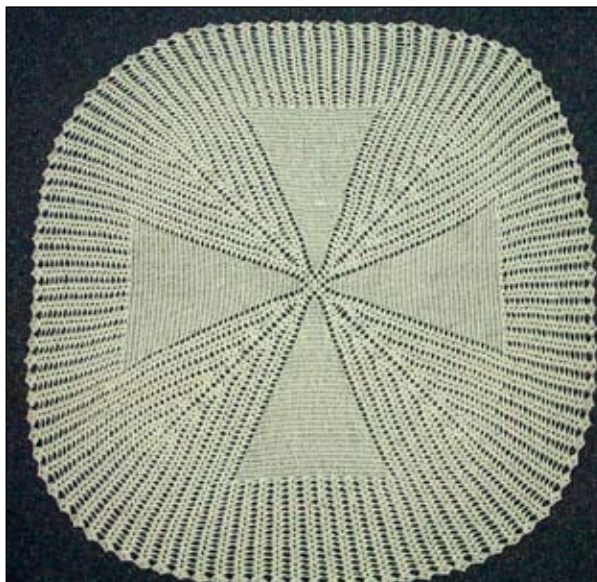
This lovely doily was made by **Mary R of Logan Central Qld** using Klasik #30 crochet cotton from a pattern in Crochet Monthly No 300.



The doily with the little hearts on it won first prize in the Other Beaded Items section of our local show. Not too much competition, though. It came up against two polystyrene balls covered in sequins and beads (you know the type that are hung on a Christmas tree).

**Robyn B of Ingham QLD**

The following items were made by **Gloria J of Gatton QLD** - clever lady. The shawl and porcelain doll outfit were made from 3ply Royal Rayon (shawl pattern available) and the cupie doll outfit was made using Perle 5 cotton. *We have the cupie dolls in 3 sizes:- 120mm (\$1.40) 140mm (\$1.60) and 160mm (\$1.80).*



Just a short note to thank you for your attentive and speedy service in getting my order out to me. I love looking on your website, you seem to have everything I'm looking for. **Jan D of Townsville Qld**



*Happy Valentine's Day*





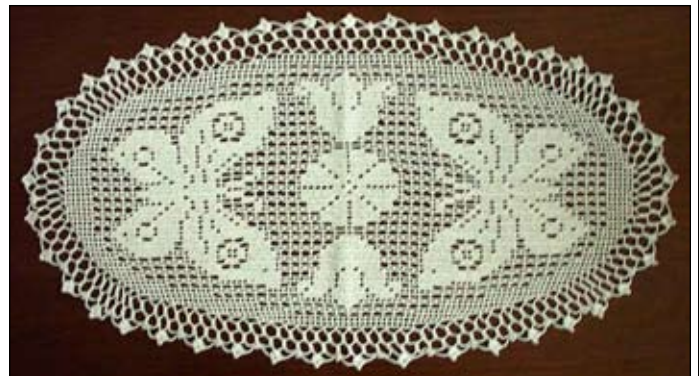


This Labour of Love was worked by **Carolyn G from Esk QLD**. This Communion cloth was copied off another one and then made a bit bigger. This project took 305 hours to complete and the yarn used was Daphne #20.

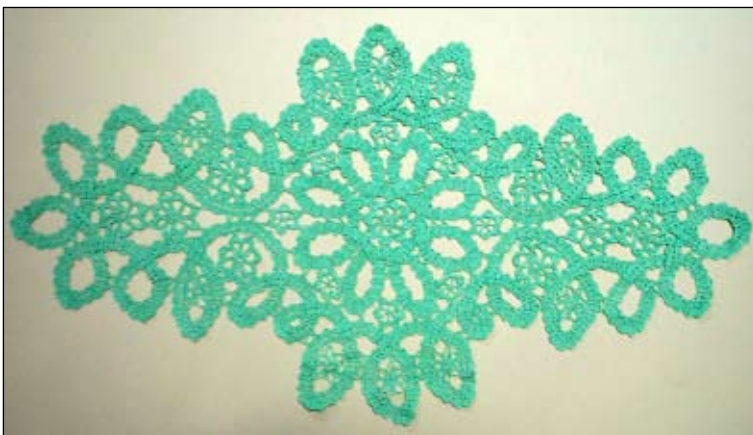
*Ed: Just think about this - 305 hours - that is 8 weeks at 5 days per week and 7.6 hours per day - hmmmmmmmmmm that would be over \$6000.00 @ \$20 per hour not counting the cost of the thread - sure is a labour of love.*

**Beattie C of Gatton QLD** shares with us some of her recent creations. This rectangular centrepiece (right) was made using #40 Coats Mercer cotton and a pattern from Crochet Monthly No 167.

The centrepieces below were made using #20 Coats Mercer cotton. The oval piece from EH3 Elizabeth Hiddleston book and the pussy cat one from a combo of Elizabeth Hiddleston patterns.



**Gwen L of Bribie Island QLD** produced this lovely Bruches Lace Centre using Daphne #20 and a pattern from Crochet Magic 150.



*Want to share your masterpieces with the rest of us? Simply send us a photo by mail or email with details of your masterpiece including pattern and thread details and include any other relevant info such as prizes it may have won etc. While space restrictions prevent us from publishing all items received, we try to show everything that is noteworthy or unusual.*





## Look what we found!!

This new section in the newsletter will provide a glimpse of some of the new and interesting things we have discovered during the month.



**Book 875532 Easy One-Day Doilies (\$24.95\* plus extra post)** This impressive collection of 48 quick-to-stitch doilies makes it easy to achieve a multitude of decorating possibilities in just one day or less. From a petite 3 1/4" x 5" oval to a generous 17 1/2" diameter circle, most of these designs are crocheted in size 10 cotton. Includes a lot of unusual styles, some with a touch of colour. Colour picture of finished designs. 62 pages. Two designs we like are **Blue Hearts** 30cm dia in #10 cotton (just in time for Valentine's Day) and **Desert Delight** a colourful 42cm dia doily also using #10 cotton.



**876510 Quick and Easy Scrap Projects (\$20.40)** contains 25 great handy projects you can crochet in minutes using all your scrap yarn! Designs include toys for kids and pets, kitchen crochet, little pretties, thread novelty items, afghans, doilies and much more. Colour photos of all designs. 27 pages. Our pick is this **Spiral Hat** - what a great way to use up those left overs!!



**875533 Year-Round Scraps Aplenty (\$19.25)**



How cute is this guy!! And have a gander at the **Colour Wheels** afghan on the right!!

While this book contains the small items you would expect, it also contains (along with the two projects we have featured) many more interesting and colourful items that may require more than scraps - if you know what I mean, but they will be worth it!