

# Crochet Extra

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Welcome to the August 2009 newsletter. As usual, life has been pretty hectic, have lots of visitors and orders to keep us busy. Just when we thought we had sent orders to most of the unusual places, along came one to Austria another to Iceland and one to Alaska - is there a pattern here - all cold places. We had a few groups visit and some of them were not even crocheters. Yes the word is spreading and we have all of you out there to thank. Your kind words are appreciated.

The most interesting bits we have sold to date would have to be all the tricot hooks and hairpin looms that found new homes last month. All those Itty Bitty dolls have been traveling around the country as well, so guess we can look forward to lots of photos of the dressed dolls. With the new 5" one here at last, the rush is on.

We have new sets of bamboo tricot hooks available and the factory is making up cable afghan hooks for us as well. Because of the quantity we have to buy in each size, we decided that the larger sizes from 5.5mm up were the way to begin. These have not been available for some time, so we have decided to step up to the mark and have them made especially for you. Due in the middle of the August, so watch out for these.

Many thanks to those who gave the generous donations of beanies for the Children's hospital. Free patterns are available if you would like to help. One of our lovely customers sent us a cheque (she spends several days per week in hospital herself) so we bought lots of beanies at the Big W winter sale. Thankyou Marie. Marie does lots for others but wanted to help here too.



Hope everyone is enjoying the longer days and finding time to fit in the odd bit of crochet. Until next time, happy crocheting!

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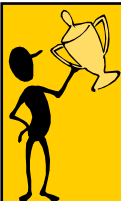
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## PRODUCT OF THE MONTH



### Scarves, Beanies & Hats

Well with winter still with us, it would have to be time to say hello again to scarves, beanies and hats. Year after year they are always the popular accessory to brighten any winter outfit. Sometimes these are a real show stopper or fashion statement, but for most us they are just the best way to keep the winter chills at bay.



Scarves can be simple with the yarn being the commanding theme. I saw an interesting one the other day and it was merely a very lengthy piece worked on a hair pin frame. Scarves are no longer the striped rows of rib. We add flowers, feathers, buttons and bows. My favourite is the Floribunda Scarf (GC08105 - \$10.00)

We have lots of books on scarves, beanies and hats. We have included a short list on page 5 for you to peruse. One of my favourite beanies is the one that starts at the crown and is worked in continuous rounds. We have beanies for babies, kiddies and



adults. Some of the books have caps and hats that you can use to coordinate with your wardrobe. Hats Hooked on Crochet 878545 (\$15.95) ticks this box.



So have a peek on page 5 and no matter whether you knit or crochet we have the right project to keep you warm and snuggly this winter.

WE'RE HOOKED ON CROCHET!



## CROCHETER'S CORNER and 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!

I crocheted these and took them over to The Netherlands for my grandchildren but my daughter decided they should go up on the mantelpiece.. I found the patterns challenging but it certainly was rewarding to see each completed creature. Thank you for your help with Eeyore's colours – he was the most difficult to try to get right.  
**Robyn B, Ingham Qld.** (From discontinued LA book Pooh and Friends)



Here is a picture of the lace top that I've just finished. It's done in No 10 thread DMC Traditions. **Jacqui S, Gympie NSW.**  
(Book now discontinued - Heirloom Crochet Treasures)



With a toddler to look after at home, it's convenient for me to shop on-line. To my surprise, not many on-line shops that I have come across take very good care of how the goods are arranged and packed. So, I'm impressed with how well you packed the goods. Also, the parcel arrived so soon after the order was placed. Thanks very much once again for making it so easy for me, and it has saved a lot my time (travelling and searching).

**Emma S, Mount Colah NSW**



Cynthia has been busy knitting beaded dolls dresses for the porcelain half dolls, but her challenge was to email the picture of the finished article.  
**Cynthia C, Buderim QLD.**

### 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 2008 period.



**Congratulations  
Joan S  
WOOLGOOLGA 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



From **SS2794 Encyclopedia of Crochet Techniques** by Jan Eaton: (\$39.95\*\* plus extra postage)

#### Storing your crocheting.

Store small crocheted items by wrapping in acid free white tissue paper or in an old cotton pillow case. Larger items should be folded loosely between layers of white tissue paper, ensuring each fold is padded with tissue paper. Store the items in a drawer or other dark, dry moth proof place.



Vicki the parcel arrived. Thank you for the prompt delivery - You must have been having morning tea while packing this - there was a big biscuit in the package as well!! I will enjoy that as well while I have a cuppa, it will certainly keep me munching for a while Tah. I look forward to emptying Terry's wallet more and doing future business. **Jenny M, Lowood QLD**



Just a quick note to say thanks for the books, especially Crochet Comfort being a special order you did for me. Also thanks for the book on scarves and hats too. You always post SO quickly, your customer service is the best in

Australia bar none I'd have to say, always a delight dealing with you, thanks again. **Jo K, Watsonia VIC.**

**879515 Comfort Crochet \$14.95 is now in stock.**

I received the crochet hooks the next day and the present is on its way to Perth. Thank you for sending it so quickly.

**Colleen McM, Moorina Qld**

*Colleen purchased some more Clover Arthritic hooks for a gift as she just loves hers.*

**Cheryl B from Bundaberg QLD** came for a visit and we saw her collection of beautiful doilies. Here are a few. She makes up her own patterns inspired by others. With #20 thread she has used our shapes and created masterpieces. Well done Cheryl.



**Gloria J, Gatton Qld** has been busy again dressing the Itty Bitty dolls using her own ideas. The white dress on the left is bullion stitch, the 2nd white dress is a skirt similar to sweet as a rose layette, the pink ones are shell patterns not available anymore. *These are the Itty Bitty 7.5" dolls. The 5" dolls are also now available.*

Thank you for your prompt service. I received my bamboo hooks via express post today and I am so happy with them and also with your service. You and the team are remarkable with the service that you provide. I will now be able to take them away with me as we are leaving for France on Friday.

**Yvonne H, Coffs Harbour NSW**

*We have a new set of 13 bamboo crochet hooks available now.*



Just wanted to thank you for your excellent service, I received my order yesterday, one day after placing the order. Wow. The books are great and so new and fresh and thank you for adding the crochet hook after I placed the order. It has been years since I have done any crochet, but now I remember why I love it. So I am sure I will be buying more patterns, already have my eye on a few. They seem so hard to come by in the shops, so I know where I will be ordering from now on. **Sandra M, Kallangur QLD** (a very happy customer)

**Joan B from Culbarra Beach NSW** sent us a clipping from the THAT'S LIFE magazine where someone wrote in and gave us a lovely plug. We do not know who did, but thanks. Several customers have rung in to tell us that they spotted the blurb.



Thank you for the lovely books and my free book that you sent me. I love them. You are so kind to give me a nice free book and a free magazine in the previous parcel. God bless you!

**Ivonne B, Maclean NSW**

*Remember, if you purchase more than \$100 worth of goodies, you receive a FREE gift. Ivonne spent lots and received a free gift.*

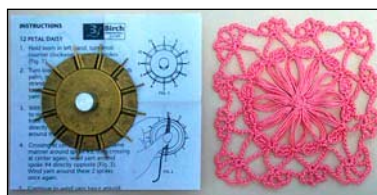
I received the daisy wheels and the pattern for the baby shawl today. I cannot thank you enough for these items as I have been looking for them for quite awhile. **Kathy D, Barooga NSW**



**878552 Classy Trash Bags (\$15.95)**

**873216 How to Crochenit (\$15.95)**

Can't wait to get started on the bags made from recycled bags and to try out the crochenit patterns. I have to rest at present because of a foot injury, so I certainly won't be bored, not that us crocheters EVER get bored, do we? **Lynn H, Coopers Plains QLD.**



*We have had a lot of customers wanting the knit wit that is now discontinued and they are now making daisies instead.*





**Rita C from Wetherill Park NSW** and **Wendy B of Townsville Qld** have decided to help us supply the Brisbane Childrens Hospital with beanies (especially the Cancer patients) and have been real busy making lots of colourful beanies to keep the kiddies warm. Well done girls and we thank you, and so do the children.

I would like to thank you for the prompt delivery of my goods. Also for the free gift of cottons I love them.

**Nanette P, Deniliquin NSW.** Nanette is into bead knitting and now has enough beads to keep her busy forever.



**Sheila S from Bundaberg QLD** made this cherub filet doily from an old Burda crochet book.

*We do not have this pattern but have other filet books with cherubs, such as CORTI 03 CORTI 04 and SELEC 30.*



After talking to you Monday night when you should have been finished for the day, my babies arrived. It was 8.30pm, so someone else works late. I love the dolls – can't wait to start. **Julie P, Greenpoint NSW**  
*Julie bought the 7.5" itty bitty dolls.*

**Dorothy G from North Ipswich QLD** had a small delima last month. This is her story. I had a recipe for M&M biscuits so I thought that next time I get a packet of M&Ms in a parcel from Crochet Australia I will make some of those biscuits. You see, I had been saving the previous ones till I got enough, but alas the last parcel that I received from you did not have M&Ms but a wonderful surprise gift. Just goes to show you should not assume anything.



**Judy R from Maida Vale WA** sent us this snap of her round shawl that got First prize and best exhibit at the recent show. It is worked in 3ply baby yarn. Well done Judy!! Pattern from Shepherd leaflet - Web of enchantment.



Here are a couple more doilies using our fabric shapes, #20 thread and beads created by **Cheryl B from Bundaberg QLD.**





## Books we found on Scarves, Beanies and Hats!!



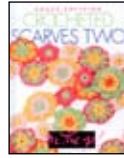
GCB10105 Storybook Hats & Booties \$10.00



CL378X Crocheted Hats \$21.95\*



ASN1285 Knit Hats, Mittens & Scarves \$16.30



CL7036 Vogue Crochet Scarves 2 \$19.95\*



ASN1338 Special Delivery (Baby Hats) \$12.80



LA2101 Hat & Scarf Sets Book 2 \$6.30



877502 - 8 Hour Fashion Scarves \$14.20



LA3587 Kid's Knitted Hats \$23.95



ASN1350 Scarves with Attitude \$16.30



LA3908 Crochet Hip Hats \$15.20



ASN1397 Stylish Hat & Scarf Sets \$13.35



LA3669 Ruthie's Easy Crocheted Scarves \$14.30



ASN1392 In-Style Scarves \$13.35



LA4484 Big Book of Knit Hats & Scarves \$27.90\*



ASN1430 Personality Hats for Little Kids \$13.35



LA4672 Crocheted Hats for the Beginner \$19.60



CL6208 Crochet Scarves \$24.95\*\*



LA3906 Simply Scarves & Belts \$15.30



ASN1456 Hats, Scarves & Mittens \$15.95



LA4674 iCrochet Adventurous Hats & Bags \$23.95



CL6323 Crochet Hats! \$24.95\*\*



ASN1425 Knit a Dozen Beanies \$12.40