

Crochet Extra

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Happy Mother's Day to all the mums, grandmas, nannas and mums-to-be. Hope it was a special time for you all.



On the home front, still no sign of a finished house out the back. It seems to grow in

slow motion with one problem after the other preventing completion. As most non-life-threatening problems can be solved with patience and time, we will just wait and see what tomorrow brings. Camping sound like an excellent option at the moment. Thanks goodness work keeps the mind occupied most of time and the garden fills in the other gaps.

The working side of life here at Cro Aus has been busy and as usual, the days are flying by, blending into one another. The new knooking craze has taken off with new knook sets with 5 hooks for larger items on the way. The tatting people (and the crocheters) are embracing all the new books and



the wonderful new Lizbeth threads which now come in another 13 new colours. Yes we have them too, in #20, #40 and #80. Now you can choose from over 151 colors, 6-cord cordonnet, with shiny, rich and vibrant colours. Real thread colour charts available

soon. At this rate, this particular thread will need its own room for storage. If you haven't tried Lizbeth yet, you are missing out on a great thread.

Daphne #20 has been discontinued by the supplier but as you can imagine we have squirreled lots of spare stock, so this yarn will be with us for some time to come but colours will drop off the range. Some



colours, white and ecru are in 50g balls, the other colours are in 100g balls. Colour charts are still available.

Hope everyone is busy getting their stash of yarn and patterns ready for winter, when crocheting and the colder evenings unite.

Happy crocheting

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THEME OF THE MONTH

Knooking & Crochenit

This month we are featuring the new - Knooking, and the old - Crochenit (and Crochet on the double). Both of these styles of crochet use a special crochet hook to achieve the end result. Knooking looks like knitting and crochenit looks like crochet.



On the double/crochenit has been around for a while. Crochenit (and on-the-double) are a form of tricot, but use a double ended crochet hook which produces a soft knit-like fabric. Tricot uses a hook that resembles a knitting needle with a hook instead of a point. Crochenit uses 2 or more colours of yarn and produces a soft reversible fabric. The yarn colour is changed every 2nd row so there are no ends to sew in later, just run them up the side of the work. For 8ply we use a 5.5mm hook and the yellow crochenit hooks work great with 2 strands of 8ply and is so quick and easy you can produce beautiful soft rugs in no time at all. All our on-the-double and Crochenit books have a "how to" section that explains the technique.



Knooking is a blessing in disguise for those who cannot knit or would like to knit with a crochet hook. The Knook is a specialized crochet hook that replaces traditional knitting needles. No more dropped stitches to chase after! A cord threaded through the bamboo Knook handle keeps them secure! Beginner set for medium weight yarn comes with 3 sizes of Knooks 4mm, 5mm and 5.5mm and the Knook Expanded Beginner Set lets you use light, medium, and bulky weight yarns to make small, medium, and large projects - including full-size afghans! Replacing traditional knitting needles, these

unique crochet hooks have a hole in one end for a cord to hold your stitches as you create true knitted fabric. This set contains 5 bamboo Knooks in sizes E-3.5 mm, G-4.0 mm, H-5.0 mm, I-5.5 mm, and J-6.0 mm;

A listing of priced books and hooks relating to these techniques start at page 5. So why not give it a try!! WE'RE HOOKED!!

CROCHETER'S CORNER

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 knitted this as part of a pumpkin competition at work....(SP5390 contains the knitted vegetables) having a go at knitting a Bear from SP4829 Knitted Bears - 20 to Make, also purchased from Cro Aus!! Charmain W, Rosemeadow NSW.



Thank you for the prompt delivery of Cebelia #40 cotton I ordered and for the great price which was \$4 per ball cheaper than I've paid previously from a Sydney retailer. I found the literature you included very interesting too. What a great range of books. I'll definitely be checking your web site in future.

Judy B, Pyrmont NSW.

Thanking you for your quick delivery. I really appreciate the Easter. I may have to change my plans on what I am doing over delivery in time for Easter. Elizabeth N, Fitzgibbon QLD.



I thought you might like two see my ducklings. I did them on 2.75mm needles and they sold like hot cross buns. As you can see I put an easter egg in them. This is the koala I also did with your nose and paws. Also received my books with the kids hoodies. I did the hoodie on the free page you sent me and I am now doing the one in LA935 Adorable Babies, the one on the back cover.



Julie P, Greenpoint NSW.



Thanks for my package and I was thrilled that you were able to squeeze in the chocolate frog! The free gift is intriguing and I have some spare wool so will be trying the loop scarf maker before the cold weather really starts. And I did not think it would get here before

the break. Linden B, Coffs Harbour NSW.

Happy Hookers Competition

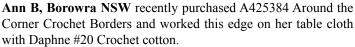
The Crochet Australia Team is proud to announce the winner of our "Happy Hookers Competition" who will receive a \$20 gift voucher. This is the winner from the March 2012 period.

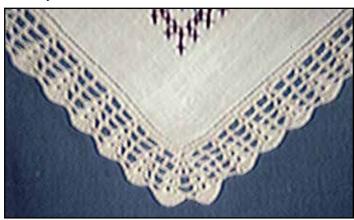


Carol F **BURRUM HEADS QLD**



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!!





Received my order thank you so much. The Cebelia red is a perfect match, never bought this cotton before but it is a very nice texture. The DMC Traditions Plus is certainly very silky and smooth and also very white, I probably will be using this in the future. My very special thanks for the lovely and most practical bag, I do appreciate your kindness and also thank you for the Freddo choc. I had him with a cup of tea. Once again thanks for the wonderful service you provide. **Rita C, Macquarie Fields NSW.** *Rita has sent us these photos of her recent great efforts.*



This is the Christening set I made for my newest granddaughter Holly. Pattern from LA4267 Christening Sets to Crochet.



Thought you might like to see the dress I made from some of the mauve wool. Pattern from 875554 Beautiful Baby Boutique. This outfit was made for dressing Holly after the Christening.



From PLACCR the Cameo Rose gown worked in #10 thread.

Thanks for the Dazzle wool and the Chocolate which arrived yesterday afternoon. Also, thanks for helping me over the 'phone with the green and deep cream shades that blend nicely with the raspberry coloured Dazzle wool. Grace P, Mooroobool QLD.





Thankyou very much for the kewpie dolls - really fast service. Also thankyou for the newsletter and chokkie too. **Bev B, Stanhope Gardens NSW.**



Just want to say what wonderful service you offer. I purchased some handkerchiefs on Monday and received them on Wednesday. Thank you so much, my elderly Mum used to do crochet for us but now with the age problems she is now longer able to do this so it was great when I found your

website. Mavis B, Bethania QLD.

Our Parcel arrived safely. The Granny Square book CL6387 as a surprise for mum has been described as beautiful. With the cro-tat I think I've bitten off more than I can chew. My free gift of the foldable shopping bag is wonderful. As usual Freddo was yummy. Carissa H, Rockhampton QLD.



Received my little dolls today thank you so much hope to order more in the future. **Agnes M, UK.** *Yes, Agnes has placed and received another order.*





This picture does not do the article justice. When **Yo L from Gympie QLD** showed us this quilt - we were gobsmacked. The filet squares are worked in #10 DMC ecru thread and the pattern is from an old publication. The hand made quilt was a motley green fabric and the squares were quilted around the flowers. The ribbon between the squares certainly set it off. *Well done Yo.*



Wendy D, Grafton NSW sent us this picture of Annabel bed doll CM19 made by her very talented mum Jean. Wendy was clever enough to make a small fan for the doll to carry. This doll is special as it was Jean's last masterpiece before she passed away.



Francis M from Glasshouse QLD delighted in showing us her blanket. Where this one is different is that each square is worked in 8ply yarn and begins from the outside and finishes in the centre. Again an old pattern that someone has passed onto her. *Keep up the good work Francis*.



Thankyou so much for sending my goods which I received last week. I was thrilled with the van dyke patterns. They are just what I wanted. Keep up the good work.

Evelyn L Glenore Grove QLD.

Dear 'Crafty Fairy' a big thankyou for the wonderful and prompt

service. I live in Melbourne and was fruitlessly hunting for a certain crochet cotton, when finally some one from the embroiders guild gave me your contact number. I am making myself some tatted jewellery. Crafts are my passion and life line, as I am vision impaired. You have definitely won a new customer.



Annamarie, L Box Hill VIC.

We stock the full range of available colours in DMC Cebelia #10 and #20 in 50g balls plus whites and Ecrus in #10, 20, 30 & 40.

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Look at the Crochenit and Knooking stuff we found!!



HOOKCROLGE - Double ended Crohooks 35cm (14") long \$9.50



Sizes: 3.75mm (F), 4.25mm (G), 5.00mm (H), 5.50mm (I), 6.00mm (J), 6.50mm (K), 9.00mm (N)

HOOKCIRC-80 - Boye Flexible Circular Cro-hooks 80cm (31.5") long \$14.40



sizes; 4.25mm (G) and 5.00mm (H)

HOOKCIRC-101 - Bates Flexible Circular Cro-hooks 101cm (40") long \$15.75



sizes; 5.50mm (I), 6.00mm (J) and 6.50mm (K).

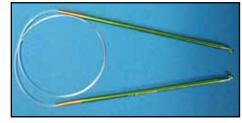
HOOKCABLE - Crochetnit Cable hook 76cm (30") long, 9mm dia \$16.35



HOOKCRONIT - Double ended Crochenit hook 35cm (14") long \$14.50
Approx 9mm (US #N) diameter x 35cm (14") long with colour coded yarn stoppers.



HOOKSWIVEL - Swivel Hooks - Double-ended cro-hook, swivel mounted \$17.85



sizes: G (4.00mm), H (5.00mm) and K 6.50mm. Hook length of 20cm and flexible cable length of 35cm provides total length of 75cm.

HOOKSETKNOOK - The Knook Beginner Set \$14.95



Beginner set for medium weight yarn comes with 3 sizes of Knooks, 3 cords, and a pocket-size instruction book. Knook sizes included are G-4 mm, H-5 mm, and I-5.5 mm.

HOOKSETDENISE Denise -Interchangeable Crochet Hook Set \$65.95



Hooks can also be used as stand alone traditional crochet hooks or used for knooking. 12 individual hooks, sizes F5 (3.75mm) to 19 (15mm)

7 cord lengths, 2 each 3" and 5", plus 1 each 9", 12" and 16"

LA5776 Learn to Knook \$15.30



LA5777 Baby Blankets made with Knook \$15.30



LA5779 Simple Scarves made with the Knook \$14.95



LA5780 Baby Beanies Made With the Knook \$15.30



Knooking is the new knitting! The Knook is a specialized crochet hook that creates true knitted fabric, while the attached cord completely prevents dropped stitches!

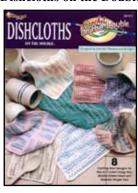
LA5781 Urban Hats Made With the Knook \$15.30



LA5585 Dishcloths made with the



201013 Dishcloths on the Double \$12.75



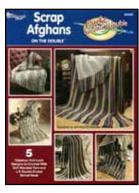
842251 On the Double Sampler Afghan \$19.95



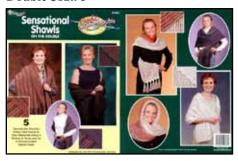
842614 Reversible Ripple Afghans \$13.95



842652 Scrap Afghans on the Double 873216 How to Crochenit \$15.95 \$12.95



842653 Sensational Shawls on the **Double \$12.95**



842654 Baby Blankets on the Double 873253 Easy Cuddle Critters \$15.95 \$12.95



843311 Naptime Buddies & Blankets \$11.95



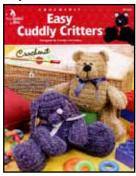
873814 Heartland Comforts \$14.30





873218 Easy Special Stitches Dishcloths \$15.30





873416 Crochenit Cuddle-Up Lapghans \$13.95



873421 Crochenit Beautiful **Baby Afghans \$13.95**



873851 Easy Afghans \$14.30



873852 Lady Ester Bear & Friends **\$16.35**



873916 Crochenit Mile-a-Minute Afghans \$15.95



873917 Cro on the Dbl Mile a Min Afghans \$14.30



874056 Handy Dandy Discloths etc \$12.95



991056 How to Crochet on the Double \$12.75



ASN1323 Reversible Ripple Afghans \$15.35



ASN1330 Reversible Kitchen Sets \$13.65



874711 Cro on the Dble In the Round **\$12.30**



LA3275 Double Delight Afghans \$14.95



874052 Faux Monk Rugs \$10.95



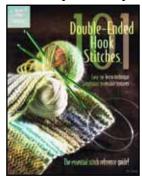
876529 Best of Crochet on the Double \$28.80* plus extra post



879544 Crochenit Fashions \$15.00



871060 - 101 Double-Ended Hook Stitches \$22.95** plus extra post



871063 1-2-3-4 Double-ended Hook Crochet \$12.95

