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BLOCK OF THE
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Purple and Green

Remember all blocks should be

- 15 cm square
- made from acrylic yarn
- have the ends worked in
- can be knitted or crocheted



FUN TIMES

April has been quite month for the GOG Team. The working bee at ANU on April 12 was a light hearted one. I don't think we got much work done but we did do some catching up and planning. We admired each others work a lot. We are an amazing group of people with lots of knowledge who are always ready to exchange ideas. There are not many places like that. Well done GOG!



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MANY THANKS



ICU sends their grateful thanks after receiving 2 full suitcases of beautiful blankets and quilts. They always appreciate our hard work. They look forward to all our deliveries and especially getting to handing them out.



WANTED

Many thanks for all the footy blankets coming in. We still need more so please keep them coming.

These blankets are popular with men, women and teens. These include yellow, green, royal blue, red, white and maroon. If you would like a footy pack of yarn, let us know.

KIDS WITH HEARTS

Yesterday Tess and I had the honour of going and talking to the students and teachers at Campbell high school. They are the second school to join the GOG family and I am in awe of their incredible work. 😊❤️

I can not thank enough the teachers, especially Sarjit and Belinda for making this wonderful collaboration work. We are all so thrilled to hav... See More — 🥰 feeling fantastic.





Winter is coming fast. The demand for beanies, shawls and slippers is on the rise. We have a new outlet with the Canberra Hospital Palliative AT Home Care who need our Goodies desperately.

SCRAPPY DOGGOS



Have you ever wondered how on earth can those tiny toys be turned into a Goody Doll or lovey? Well, Zoe is the person to ask. She is a master with the fluffy or specialty yarn scraps and granny squares. Corner her at the next working bee and find out her secrets.

HEARTS FOR A SPECIAL HEART

We had a little special project at our working bee this month for a special member. Barbara our camera guru and Chamber of Creativity leader was in our thoughts recently, so to let her know we were all thinking of her, we made some hearts for her to cheer her along.  



HOUSEKEEPING WRAPPING PROCESS

It is absolutely wonderful, the work that everyone does, all to help people they have never met and never will meet, or even hear their story. The sheer amount of blankets, Gogsters and toys that have to be inventoried, photographed and wrapped is staggering. It took 4 people two and a half hrs to do the January intake and that was a slow month. So if you could do the following to the gorgeous things that you make and donate to those in need we would appreciate it!



Put your initials on the label so we know who made it for our inventory.



Take a photo of your work nicely positioned. Sometimes Mary shows them off!



Check for loose threads, needles/pins (a no no!).

Disinfect your work with a quick spray.



Wrap it in cellophane or pop it in a plastic bag and seal it with tape.

Send the photo to Mary.

Done!

Thank you for your time doing this. It saves us a lot of work.

EASTER GOODIES



A word from ICU
Happy Easter to the GOG community!!!!
Thankyou for the beautiful goods you donated
this Easter. Your kindness brightened the day of
many patients.

Thankyou for all you do
Xxx



GET WELL JONATHON



Meet Jonathon who spent over a week in hospital over Easter. A GOG bunny gave a playmate and made all the difference to a bad experience. His family expresses their gratitude for our thoughtfulness.

DID YOU KNOW?



Imagine crocheting with these beauties. Solid silver. Only for the rich mind you. For the poor, during the potato famine, they used bits of wire stuck into a piece of wood.

A PLACE TO VISIT

Ajuste posted recently on our Chamber of Creativity, what must be the worlds first crochet amusement park! It looks awesome! Its at the Hakone Open Air Museum in Japan.



THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES

Today I leave Canberra hospital after 10 days 5 in ICU and on my second day in ICU they gave me a choice of covers to place a towel in for my coughing. It's beautiful and it will always have great positive memories (I chose the Paris one)

Thank you ladies for looking after me - you do amazing work keep it up - Love Shane

ICU Canberra Hospital

PS. It's part of my car journey!

(Covers made by May at Mission Stitchin')



STRIKE A POSE

very working bee has it's own special vibe and Saturday's vibe was 'fun and fotography'! We had our usual small groups where our beautiful mentors lent a helping hand with stitches and patterns, as well as passing on some handy hints when learning, and teaching stitching. Thanks to Ondrae I leant another new edge to neaten up and strengthen beginning of Knitting rows. Pearl learnt a new beanie and slipper pattern, Lucy's Amigurumi is well on the way thanks to Susan and Linda learnt to make Robyn's amazing 'mobius fiddle toy'. It was relaxed and fun and our newer members are surprising us all with their progress!



The 'foto' part of the vibe came from a visit by Mads O'Connor, a local Canberra photographer, who has so generously offered to take pics of our working bees for the purpose of promotional use. The offer of collaborating on a promotional video is an exciting one and something we've been looking to do for quite some time. We are all excited to see the photos to come out of the afternoon, especially the group photo taken on the beautiful wooden staircase! We all left feeling very special! Thank you Mads!!