

Olive Pesto

We Make, Learn, Laugh and Share

MARCH catch-up

We will meet up in person in the Youth Hall,
Brunswick Uniting Church
212 Sydney Rd (Hall is on Merri Street)
on **Saturday 12 March from 10 am—12 noon**
with a COVIDSafe approach—see side panel



Art work by Mel Drury

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COVID SAFE PLAN

Now that we can meet in person we need to care for each other as follows:

- ◆ **MASKS**— the church halls are treated as Community Halls and as such we need to wear face masks while indoors, unless actually eating or drinking.
- ◆ Be aware that some participants may not be vaccinated due to a medical exemption. Others have health vulnerabilities.
- ◆ Vaccination status will not be requested.
- ◆ Hand sanitiser will be provided.
- ◆ Subject to weather conditions we will allow good ventilation of the room.
- ◆ Tea and coffee will be served in a safe manner.
- ◆ We understand that attending the meet-up is a personal choice that each of us decides on.

Hello dear Olive Pestovians,

Autumn has arrived! I can't believe it's already March. Cooler knitting weather is coming.

Remember to post on our Facebook group your latest knitting /crocheting projects so we can all enjoy them. We all love to hear about where we can find yarn, especially Specials! Please let us all know on the Facebook page. Go to: *Olive Pesto, Brunswick Uniting Church*

Do you have any interesting links to yarn reviews, or websites for patterns? Please share with us on Facebook and we can publish in the Newsletter also. We are always looking for items or ideas for a new project to start. This year we'd like to invite Olive Pesto participants to demonstrate their skills. If you have any ideas for crafts, knitting or crochet you would like to try or offer to demonstrate this year please let me know. An example we've been asked about is basic knitting in the round. There is always something new to learn.

Common Grace Climate Action scarves.

Winter is not far off and now might be the time to start knitting Climate Action scarves for friends. Could be a shared project amongst a few folk to spread the cost of the yarn. An economical approach as each of the colours uses just part of a ball. See pattern in Email.

Save the date Saturday 11 June 22 - World Wide Knit in Public Day. Is just around the corner. We can brainstorm a theme for this year at our catch-up on Saturday.

Enjoy the newsletter and we look forward to catching up in person this Saturday.

Natalie

These lovely items were donated at our February meet-up



KOGO have put a **call out** for blankets in Indigenous colours. If you choose to make these items, please try wherever possible to match the shades of colour in our First Nations flag.



KOGO are requesting the following much needed items:

Scarves, Beanies, Socks, Gloves (including fingerless)
 Adult blankets (approx. 1.6m x 1.2m) , Knitted squares that can be assembled by volunteers to make blankets
 Children’s jumpers and cardigans,
 Knitted toys
 Cot blankets (1m x 1.2m, SIDS guidelines) , Pram blankets
 Baby cardigans (not jumpers),
 Baby beanies, Baby booties



Natalie’s Baby Blanket

Share the Dignity is a women's charity in Australia, that works to make a real difference in the lives of those experiencing homelessness, fleeing domestic violence, or doing it tough. They distribute period products to women, girls, and anyone who menstruates who needs support. When someone is doing it tough, the last thing on their mind should be dealing with their period. You can purchase the contents of a period bag OR make a donation to enable the organisation to assemble packs. More information here: <https://www.sharethedignity.org.au/itsinthebag>

NOTICE BOARD

- ◆ **MAKERSPACES**—Moreland City Libraries have two makerspaces at the Coburg and Brunswick Libraries. A makerspace is a shared creative studio space where the community can come together to create, connect and learn. The makerspaces have 3D printers, sewing machines, overlockers, sound recording equipment, and much more. Go to this link to find out more. Bookings are required. <https://www.moreland.vic.gov.au/exploring-moreland/libraries/spaces>
- ◆ The **Hand Knit & Crochet Guild of Victoria** has announced the 2022 **Yarn & Craft Market** - to be held on Saturday May 14th and Sunday May 15th 2022 at the Coburg Town Hall from 10 am to 3 pm. Bookings to attend open on March 1st, through TryBooking. The \$2 entry fee gets you one ticket for winning some amazing door prizes donated by our vendors and the Guild. <https://www.facebook.com/HKCGVictoria>
- ◆ **Friday Knit and Knatter** Natalie is happy to continue hosting Friday Knit and Knatter on Zoom. You don't need to knit or crochet. Just join us for a Knatter. Advice from experienced knitters is available if you need help with any of your knitting questions. So if you are free on Fridays at 3.30 pm please join us. Recurring Zoom link <https://zoom.us/j/93797233067?pwd=ZWluZ1pqREgvU2RFREgycm9vQXdEZZo9>
- ◆ Remember to keep posting photos of your work on our Facebook page.