

# Olive Pesto

We Make, Learn, Laugh and Share

## MAY catch-up

Meet up in person in the Youth Hall,  
Brunswick Uniting Church  
212 Sydney Rd (the Hall faces Merri Street)  
on **Saturday 14 May from 10 am–12 noon**



Art work by Mel Drury

Hello dear Olive Pestovians,

I hope that you are keeping warm as the days blend into Autumn. The Autumn leaves on golden ash street trees really brighten our days. If you have a compost bin, collect dry leaves lying in gutters and add as 'brown material'. Your compost will love it. Wear gloves to protect your hands. Its good to be back meeting in person. Here are some photos of the group in recent months enjoying the pleasant ambience of the sunny Hall.



Enjoy the newsletter and we look forward to catching up in person on 14 May. We will be discussing the forthcoming World Wide Knit in Public Day. To be held in June.  
Best regards,  
Natalie



### KOGO are requesting the following much needed items:

- ◆ Indigenous scarves
- ◆ beanies, blankets, gloves in all sizes
- ◆ men's scarves in dark colours

THANK YOU for your contributions!



### OLIVE PESTO COVID SAFE PLAN Now that we can meet in person we need to care for each other as follows:

- ◆ Masks— are Recommended 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.
- ◆ We won't ask your vaccination status.
- ◆ Hand sanitiser is available and subject to weather conditions we will open the doors and windows to allow good ventilation of the room.
- ◆ Tea and coffee will be served in a safe manner.

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**Life's Little Treasures Foundation  
CALLING ALL KNITTERS!!**

We are low in stock of our knitted LLTF teddy bears and knitted blankets and urgently need your help! 🙏 If you are a keen knitter and are looking for a way to make a difference in the lives of families affected by prematurity, we would love your help. Your generosity will ensure that we can continue including these items in our Precious Prem Packs. These packs are available free of charge and offer practical support, information and friendship to families who are facing an unexpected and challenging time with the birth of their child.

If you are crafty and up for the challenge, you can find the patterns here: 🧸 Teddy Bear - <https://bit.ly/3wRrGux>

🧡 Blanket - <https://bit.ly/3CMWBNb> Please send all items to our warehouse at 1/21 Eugene Tce, Ringwood VIC 3134 We ask that only these patterns are used as they have been specifically created, in consultation with health professionals, to ensure they are safe for tiny fingers and toes. Wool or acrylic yarn can be used, as long as it is new and free from pulls. For more information, you can view a list of Frequently Asked Questions here: <https://lifeslittletreasures.org.au/knit-sew-craft-patterns/>

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

**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. There are 3D printers, sewing machines, overlockers, sound recording equipment, & 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>
- ◆ **The Pascoe Vale Spinners and Weavers Exhibition** is set to return Saturday 4 and Sunday 5 June 2022. A group of spinners & weavers who like to socialise while working on projects.
- ◆ **INVITATION to demonstrate your skills.** If you have any ideas for crafts, knitting or crochet you would like to try or offer to demonstrate this year please let Natalie know. An example we've been asked about is basic knitting in the round. There is always something new to learn.
- ◆ **Remember to keep posting photos on our Facebook page.**
- ◆ **Knitting and those who make things** featured in the Sunday sermon at the Brunswick Uniting Church recently. Olive Pesto efforts to support KOGO got an honourable mention also! You can read or watch the stories here if you wish. <https://brunswick.unitingchurch.org.au/worship-8-5-easter-4c/> Question—who remembers or still has their Dorcas pin tin?

