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SPRING NEWSLETTER 2010

Writing this letter on a dark winter day in December, I'm finding it quite uplifting to look forward to the new Spring/Summer yarns and workshop programme that takes us through to July! I've ordered the new yarns already and I expect their arrival at the beginning of February.



ROWAN FASHION SHOW

The new Rowan Knitting & Crochet magazine 47 is launched in the middle of January and we are expecting to host an exciting fashion show at Spin A Yarn at the end of January for all the new Spring garments. The date is confirmed as Tuesday, 26 January 2010 in the evening. Please ring 01626 836203 to find out details and book your tickets.

The new magazine has a feminine theme highlighting elegance, vintage and drape with lots of Crochet as well as Knit designs. The natural sustainable yarns are becoming more and more fashionable and Rowan's new dk yarn for the summer is a yarn recycled from silk, cotton and viscose (wood fibre).

Our other exciting news in connection with Rowan is that their brand new designer, Grace Melville, whose first design collection will be showcased in the new Rowan Studio 18, is one of our customers! In fact her mother and gran are also customers! So we shall be following her successful career with great interest.

DEBBIE BLISS NEWS

Following on from her success with the Eco Cotton range, Debbie is introducing a new eco cotton yarn for children and babies, which knits to the popular Baby cashmerino patterns and comes in a stunning range of colours. Her new yarn for the summer, Amalfi is a mix of silk, linen and viscose and is supported by a new very feminine pattern book.

Noro yarns are becoming more popular day by day with creative customers. Somehow we are all gradually becoming addicted to these yarns which are so different from others. I realised I must have a problem when I found myself chopping bits of Silk Garden Sock yarn apart and joining them in different colour sequences. I thoroughly recommend the aforementioned yarn by the way as I only used 260grams to make a full length cardigan with a small cable and bobbles! The new Catwalk collection designed by Jenny Watson must be the best ever.

LITTLE LUXURY KNITS

We've finally got our Little Luxury Knits unit and are now filling it with little luxuries such as the Alchemy yarns, Knitwitches and Artists Palette lace yarns. I promise that I will make the purchase of a swift a priority as I know it can take a couple of hours to wind skeins of over a 1000 metres long! Just think how far a "Seriously Gorgeous" skein of cashmere and kidmohair can go. One skein is enough to make a beautiful shawl or wrap.



The Little Luxury Knits workshop with designer Alison Crowther Smith was so popular that I have scheduled 2 for the New Year. The joy of using kidsilk haze and alchemy haiku was certainly apparent. Why don't you take the opportunity to try something different?

WORKSHOPS

Everyone is enjoying our extensive range of workshops in the new shop. You will have received your new programme today and we recommend that you book for the most popular workshops as soon as possible as they fill up very fast! Just ring 01626 836203 to pay and reserve a space.

We have two new Rowan design workshops this time. Sara Thornett will be teaching "Knitted Textures" using Rowan yarns, while Freddie Patmore is hosting "Backwards Knitting" or how to eliminate the dreaded purl row. Why not come and play with new yarns?

Of course we also have Claire's brilliant workshops including 3 "Professional Finishing Techniques" and a "Modular Knitting" workshop. These booked out within 2 days last term so you have to be quick!

Spin A Yarn opens for business in the New Year on Monday, 4 January!!!!

Thought it was about time I inserted a few beautiful new photos taken by Asti.



I'm sure you will agree that the colours of the skeins and yarn are stunning.

SALE!!!

SPIN A YARN is starting its New Year sale on Monday, 11 January!! As is traditional, all yarns and accessories will be discounted by 10%. Now must be the best time to buy those luxury yarns that you want to try.

Loyalty customers will receive 20% off all yarns and accessories which is a considerable discount on the expensive yarns. The more you spend, the more you save!!

THANKS

Before I finish this letter I would like to take the opportunity of thanking everyone for their help during and after the move especially Lyn & Barry Humphreys with their van, Jacky & David, Sue and Ian and all the ladies & men who helped move the yarn into the shop and not forgetting my family especially David!

I'd also like to thank my team Sue, Ali, Yvonne & Patsy for their help in relocating. It was a huge move, much bigger than I realised. If you'd seen us trying to find yarn in the stockroom in the first few weeks you will understand why I am so grateful to the help of my team and to all my customers for their support!!

HAPPY NEW YEAR & HAPPY KNITTING TO ALL MY CUSTOMERS AND TEAM!!!!

JOYCE X