



SHALL WE KNIT?

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Summertime is just around the corner and a lot of us look at our knitting a little differently this time of year. There are a lot of

people that are keen gardeners and so the knitting gets set aside for a bit while they play in the dirt. I am NOT one of those people, anyone that knows me, knows better than to entrust any growing plants to my care. A couple of my sisters and my Mom are avid gardeners, but I unfortunately did not inherit that gene.

I especially enjoy this time of year for knitting. There are no shows on the immediate horizon, Christmas is just a vague thought, we have a bit of time before I need to think about Fall samples and so that means I can knit whatever I feel like. This is quite often when I will try out a new yarn, maybe one we don't stock and see if it is something that we want to carry in the shop - or not. Sometimes it is a pattern I want to do but that won't be a sample for the shop. Sometimes I even pull out some long hibernating projects and then wonder why I stopped so close to the finish line and then I feel like a genius as I finish something in an evening or two. Right now, on my needles is a Ranunculus in Sweet Paprika linen & silk and another Batad is nearly done. And next?? Oh yeah there is that Koigu Lace shawl that I started. Maybe it will come to the top of the pile again

How does Summer change your knitting habits?

We have a few fun things on the horizon at the shop. World Wide Knit in Public (WWKIP) is Saturday, June 8th. We will be closing off the parking lot for the day and setting up tents. People have rented table space for a Fibre yard sale, basically people are selling their stash. We also have Joanne Seebach-Loan RMT back. You can book 15 minute sessions with her to ask her all kinds of questions or get a mini massage for the lovely donation price of \$10.

We also have a Berroco yarn tasting evening coming up with Lynne. For \$10 you will get some mini balls of a variety of Berroco yarns and Lynne will talk you through swatching with them and ideas for their use. Also all attendees will get a 15% off their yarn and needle purchases that evening.



Classes, workshops, help...

Guided Project Class with Erin

Every other Tues. - check calendar for dates
11:30 - 12:30 \$10

The popular guided project class is perfect when you need help but can't wait for a special class and you need more than we can help with over the counter. This is dedicated time when you can sign up ahead of time, come with whatever project you are working on, and get help. You can pick a single project and get help with it each week along the way, or you are welcome to bring a new problem to each class and get help with something new each time. Guided Project class is a book as you go - you pay \$10 for an hour of guided time.



Book an RMT session with Joanne at WWKIP

Saturday, June 8th

\$10 session fee will be donated
to Women's Crisis Centre



We will be booking 15 minute sessions on the hour and 1/2 hour from 10:30 - 3:00. With your prepaid registration you will check in when you come to WWKIP and you will be able to pick your time slot and jump the queue.

We as knitters open ourselves up to various shoulder, neck and arm issues. Even the best posture that we adopt along with the length of time we sit knitting does open us up to injury later down the road. Book yourself a 15 minute time slot during our Knit in Public event to have some one on one time with Joanne Loan-Seebach a local RMT. She can do mini massages or you can pick her brain with questions for 15 minutes. Our time is too precious to injure ourselves and not be able to do what we love. Let Joanne help you figure out some solutions.

- Carpal Tunnel
- Tendonitis at the elbow
- Headaches
- Tingling into the hand or weak feeling grip

AND keep your eyes peeled for an adventure to Koigu we are putting together. Info available soon

Happy Endings!

A KnitHow class with Lynne

DAYTIME - Wed. May 22nd 1:00 - 3:00 \$25

Are you one of those knitters who has a basket full of knit pieces just waiting to be seamed together or finished in some way? Come to this class where we'll cover the things you need to know to put your project together and end up with a smile on your face.

This KnitHow class starts with seaming - including shoulder seams, side seams, all the parts of sleeve seams, and working two kinds of fabric texture together. We'll also work on picking up stitches to make your edge treatments, sewing in ends securely, and washing & blocking.

We'll talk about how different cast-ons and bind-offs can affect your finished project, and we'll take up a list of questions from students in the class about finishing and point you to answers. Students are welcome to bring projects in progress as samples or to ask specific questions.

Berroco yarn tasting with Lynne

Wed, June 19th 6:30 - 8:30

\$10 includes yarn pack, intermission and light refreshment. Want to try out a few of the new yarns from Berroco for Summer but not sure if you want to commit to a project? Join us as Lynne walks us through tasting 5 different yarns. Every attendee will get a small ball of each yarn and Lynne will help to figure out which needles will work best or offer suggestions for things suitable for each yarn.

We will have a couple of draws throughout the evening as well as snacks as you knit away on the new yarns.

If we don't stock the yarns you are looking to get we can do a special order. Any yarns bought this evening will receive a 15% discount

Fair Weather Knit-A-Long!

A KnitHow Project with Lynne

Call the shop if you would like to be notified of Summer dates or if you have a group of friends you would like to do as a private class

Cost for the KAL is \$65, includes 6 sessions and your pattern; class size is limited to 14 students. Preference will be given to students who wish to register and pre-pay for the entire KAL; spaces may then be available to anyone who wants to take a single lesson at a cost of \$25 each.

It's coming up to summertime when the knitting is breezy. Time to plan for lightweight clothes that flatter the body and make the best out of warm-weather appropriate plant fibres. This class will be a variant of our Club Cardy, but with a little less structure which seems fitting for the laid-back season. Our goal is to create a summer top with an emphasis on using plant fibres - cottons, linens and blends. This means we're working a smaller project with a little bit of class time to steer us through the tricky bits, and some social time to just hang out, knit and sip something cool, and get help if you need it. If you participated in Club Cardy, this set of classes will help you expand your skills to include specific considerations for using yarns with little or no memory.

If you haven't yet made a garment, this is a great plan to tackle a simple first wearable project. Our Fair Weather KAL group will meet every Tuesday at 1:30 and half the sessions will have actual lessons, the other half will be check-ins where individual help will be available, and we'll hang out and work on our projects. We've pulled together a list of summer garments we recommend for this KAL, or you can choose to make a Custom Fit project if you have experience with CF.

[\(check listing on class page online\)](#)

*****If you would like to do a different pattern or a CustomFit pattern please call the shop. There is a surcharge if we create a CustomFit pattern and you have to have your measurements (we can book an appointment for that). We want to be able to give the best support for your KAL so would like to see the pattern before you jump in.**

Lesson #1 - 1 ½ hours - We Begin!

This class will cover all you need to get started including: using summer fibres; fabric characteristics; how to swatch effectively; how to measure a swatch; how to block cotton/bast fibres. You're welcome to cast-on your project at this class if you've already selected your pattern & materials, or we can help you choose.

First Check-in and Chat - 1 hour

We'll meet up and check on everyone's progress, talk about any issues we're having and spend some time working on our projects.

Lesson #2 - 1 ½ hours

This class will work through the mysteries of "shaping within pattern" including: where and how to work increases and decreases; how to "keep pattern correct"; understanding pattern language; the sequence of garment construction; planning ahead for edge treatments.

Second Check-in and Chat - 1 hour

We'll meet up and check on everyone's progress, talk about any issues we're having and spend some time working on our projects.

Lesson #3 - 1 ½ hours

This class will be jam-packed with the information needed to finish your project: seaming, featuring the magical mattress stitch; picking up stitches; edges and ratios; self-finishing edges such as I-cord and turned edges.

Last Check-in and Chat - 1 hour

We'll meet up and talk about any issues we're having and celebrate completing (or planning to complete) our projects!

WARM WEATHER SHOP HOURS

April 30th - August 31st
Tues. & Wed. 11:00 - 5:30
Thurs. 11:00 - 6:30
Fri. 11:00 - 9:00
Sat. 10:00 - 4:00
Sun. & Mon. CLOSED

Shop closed for Holidays
July 30th – August 3rd

