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A very warm Hello to all our members and crochet lovers,

It's a funny old world where we crocheters have the best excuse to stay at home and crochet, start a new project and destash but instead we have had line up to buy toilet paper instead. I smile when I say this.

The word unprecedented is an accurate one so although I didn't want my first letter from the President to be yet another Covid 19 letter in your inbox. I'm sorry to say that it is. Due to world events we have had to postpone the Inaugural CGA Conference to June 2021.

New exciting dates **June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> 2021!**

All our classes and teachers were organised and we were preparing to put the information on the website. Now the dates have changed. I think pushing it forward and having that extra time before the conference will make it even more wonderful and I hope you agree. While we are sad to delay, we hope you agree that it is definitely preferable to cancelling.

Those of you who have already booked in and paid to do the teacher training class are entitled to a full refund. Alternatively, because it sold out so quickly last time, you may decide that you would like to have your place secured for next year and don't wish for a refund.

The choice is completely yours so let us know at [crochetguildau@gmail.com](mailto:crochetguildau@gmail.com)  
Please allow time for refund processing.

### **What else is happening?**

We have a new Secretary, Rhonda Bennett, web profile coming soon! Our multi-talented former Secretary Lynda Tomkins graciously agreed to step into the Treasurer's role after the hard-working Melissa Mitchell resigned. We would like to thank Melissa for her enthusiasm and energy in establishing the guild and the onslaught of work that followed.

We need volunteers! We are working hard on producing an application form for anyone interested in volunteering in some capacity with the Guild. Keep your eyes and ears peeled for this exciting update. Areas coming up first are; newsletter, social media, website, conference and anything you think would be of value to our growing organisation.

We want your input! While planning for the conference our thoughts returned frequently to the members who wouldn't be able to attend. What do our members want and need from this Guild? Put your thinking caps on because we will be searching for ways to make the most requested ideas a reality.

One thing we keep hearing is community, do you long for more crochet community and how can we deliver this?

I hope you are getting some time to crochet. We thank you for trusting us and we have some exciting ideas for the coming months. I promise to write to you again soon to keep you more up to date. I hope to see you in person at the conference.

Very Warm Regards,

Jenny  
President (Crochet Guild Australia)