MEDIA RELEASE

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WRAP WITH LOVE IS A STITCH UP

Even before the temperature dropped to chilly winter lows, local knitters have been busy creating beautiful woollen squares in preparation for the annual Wrap With Love charity knit event.

The annual labour of love culminates in a giant community knit-a-thon on Friday 3 August when local knitters converge on Ryde Library to stitch up the multitude of hand made squares into multi-coloured blankets.

The blankets are then shipped around the world to people facing cold and hardship. This year ninety five of our locally made blankets are bound for Armenia.

Knitters are confident that this year's target of 450 blankets will be reached.

All knitters are welcome at the knit-a-thon. Bring your knitting needles, crochet hooks and sewing gear. Coffee and tea provided.

When:Friday 3 August, 7.00am – 1.00pmWhere:Ryde Library, 1 Pope Street, Ryde (within Top Ryde City Shopping Centre)

For further information go to <u>www.ryde.nsw.gov.au</u> or call 9952 8222.

Photo Opportunity:

1. Monday 30 July 2012, 5.30pm Gladesville Library, Pittwater Road, Gladesville. Paul Zanolla joined the Gladesville Knitters six years ago when he heard about Wrap with Love. He thought it was a great idea so went on Utube to learn how to knit, then fronted up to get more tips from the experts and has not looked back.

2. Friday 3 August 2012, 11.00am Ryde Library, 1 Pope Street, Ryde. The Mayor will greet local knitters when they converge on Ryde Library for the annual giant stitch up.

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