

February 2012

Marin Knitters Guild Newsletter

Program Schedule:

February – Fimo
Buttons

March – Stitches
West Show &
Tell

March – Tips for
taking craft
pictures

April– Stash and
organizing

President's Message

Happy knitting everyone! Cathy and Christine

January 14, 2012 Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called into session at 10:00 AM by Marcia Hammett, Programs Chair and former Co-President, as Co-President Cathy Puccetti was not present due to illness and Co-President Christine Bo-Linn was not available to attend. Seventeen members were present including two guests, Toby Cossman and Tammy Taylor, both of whom were warmly welcomed into the Guild as new members.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business discussed.

Treasurer's Report and Annual Dues: Treasurer Dana Dunn reported that we have \$1,198.35 in our account.

If you have not paid your annual dues, please mail your dues to Dana before February 1. Your email address will be deleted from our Yahoo list after that.

NEW BUSINESS

Fairs: Elaine Johnson talked about the Marin County Fair. Guild members decided to offer a \$100 cash reward to the best of show in adult knitting section and increase the amount of award for juniors from a \$25 to a \$50 gift certificate. The members present at the meeting approved the increase.

CHARITY PROJECTS

The Doll Project – Stitchin' for Kids:

Caroline Archer announced her new website for her dolls project, <http://www.stitchinforkids.org>. She is planning to post her doll patterns on her site. In the meantime you can access the patterns on our website <http://www.marinknittersguild.org> and choose the Projects tab.

Nazee Fard brought 3 scarves, a hat, and more than twenty knitted

squares that her mother-in-law had knitted. Carita took the squares for her Sonoma blanket project and the scarves for distribution.

Since most members who were interested in the Fimo buttons workshop were not present and Nazee was not in a good shape herself, the workshop was postponed until the next meeting in February.

Diane Sack and Marcia Hammett had another engagement and had to leave. The meeting continued with show and tell. Meeting adjourned at 11:45.

Very special thanks to Nazee Fard, who took the minutes, as your secretary was out sick. Fortunately for us, Nazee made it to the meeting!

Respectfully Submitted by
Jane Cooperman,
Secretary

For those who have not visited the Ravelry online community in a while, here is a sample of their humorous take on knitting lingo. Thank you Christine!

<http://www.ravelry.com/wiki/pages/KnittingLingo>

Acronym a word made from the first letters of the words in a phrase or name, for example, CAL for crochet-along, PIGS for Projects in Grocery Sacks.

Ambistitcherous Having the ability to knit in two different styles, e.g., Continental and Combined; OR having the ability to both knit and crochet.

BeauFO A beautiful Finished Object

BFL Blue-Faced Leicester, a breed of sheep

Bicraftual Able to both crochet and knit

Bisexual Able to knit socks both top-down and toe-up.

BKFF Best Knitting Friend Forever

BSJ Baby Surprise Jacket

CIP Crocheting In Public

Clown Barf a multi-colored yarn, either rainbow or a combination of several contrasting colors

Colorway The name or number assigned by a manufacturer to the color (or multi-colored combination) of a yarn

Darn Overs (DOs) - The ones you forget and have to tink back to. AKA @&%^#&%@!!

DISO Desperately In search of

DPN Double-pointed needles

DS Destash (sell unwanted yarn)

Dyelot the number that identifies a particular batch of a colorway

EOR End of row or every other row

FO Finished object

frog To rip back (for the sound "rip it, rip it") by removing the needles from the project and pulling on the loose end of the yarn; also applies to crochet. Generally used when mistake is found **below** the row you are currently working, or

when completely undoing an entire project or piece. (see Tink)

Frog pond a storage place for knitted and crocheted things waiting to be frogged

Gifted The act of giving yarn/items to another for free.

GOFO A gorgeous finished object

HALFPINT Have A Lovely Fantasy Project, I've No Time

HBD Horizontal bust darts, also known as short-row bust darts.

HSY haven't started yet (pronounced "hussy")

ISO In search of

ITR In the round

JMCO Judy's Magic Cast-On

JSSBO Jeny's Surprisingly Stretchy Bind-Off

KAL Knit Along

KIP Knit(ing) in public

Knipping A zero sum gain in knitting: the knitting and ripping cancel each other out.

Knooking A method of knitting using a modified crochet hook.

KL Knitting loom

KN Knitting Needle

LK Loom knitting

LYS Local yarn shop

LYSO Local yarn shop owner

MK Machine knit(ing)

Muggle non-knitter

Multicraftual skilled in more than one craft

muppet or dead muppet - those acrylic and fun fur yarns that resemble Elmo and friends while in the skein or, in fact, made up

NATCROMO National Crochet Month

NAYY No Affiliation, Yadda Yadda

NoTN Not on the needles

OOAK One of a Kind

OPY Other people's yarn

OSFA One size fits all

OTH On the hooks

OTOH On the other hand

OTN On the needles

PIGS Projects in grocery sacks

Plarn "Plastic" yarn, often made from plastic grocery bags, but there are also some commercial types; all good for knitting/crocheting in the shower.

Pooling When one color in a variegated yarn bunches together in an area. See this post by [Mlok](#) for an example.

PSY Project seeking yarn (pronounced "sigh" as in "psychosis")

SABLE Stash acquisition beyond life expectancy

SAL Spin along

SEX Stash enhancement experience (or expedition) = buying yarn

SIP sock(s) in progress

SKA Sock Knitters Anonymous

Skank way of saying skein of yarn (skein+hank=skank)

Sproingy soft and stretchable, springing back. Applies to yarn.

SSC Slip Stitch Crochet, a type of crochet using only or mostly slip stitches. Also known as Bosnian crochet, Shepherd's knitting, Pjoning, and Smygmaskvirkning.

SSS Second Sock Syndrome

Tarn AKA T-shirt yarn

Tink To undo knitted stitches by reversing the knitting motion, effectively un-knitting the stitch. Used when fixing an error on the same row you are knitting. ("tink" is "knit" spelled backwards) (see also Frogging)

tl:dr Too Long, Didn't Read

TOAD Trashed Object Abandoned in Disgust

TYWYK Things you wished you knew (before starting a project, buying yarn etc.)

Unraveling doing all the other tasks in life such as work, bathing, laundry, etc. when you would rather be on Ravelry.

UFO UnFinished Object (usually a WIP that has been abandoned or neglected)

WIM Work In Mind

WIP Work In Progress

Yarn barf (yarf?) 1)a big lump of yarn that accidentally gets pulled out of a new centre-pull ball, when you're trying to find the end 2)The stuff produced by a novice spinner that bears a loose resemblance to yarn but has no consistency of size or twist whatsoever.

Yarnie independent dyer or spinner with a small business

YAS Yarn Acquisition Syndrome



For all who are going to Stitches West this month in Santa Clara, enjoy classes and happy hunting in the market! - Cathy A, Editor

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About Our Organization...

The Marin Knitters' Guild is the official chapter of **TKGA** (The Knitting Guild Association) in Marin County, California. The guild was established in 1987 to promote interest in the craft and workmanship of knitting. While our name states Marin Knitters' Guild, today our membership hails from the counties of San Francisco, San Mateo, Solano and Sonoma as well as Marin.

Knitters with all levels of experience are welcome to participate. We encourage beginners to

join and learn from the experienced. The Guild draws on the talent and expertise of its membership and the knitting and fiber-arts community at large for programs and workshops.

Visitors are welcome to all Marin Knitters' Guild meetings. We ask that you join us with your paid membership on your second meeting, so that we may continue to support our programs. Dues are \$20 annually, payable at the September meeting, and include a monthly newsletter

containing the previous meeting's minutes.

We have mini-workshops in most meetings offered by experienced guild members or local knitting teachers. In addition, we work for charitable causes, group projects and go on fun field trips. From time to time, we invite National teachers to have workshops for us. These workshops allow for a more intensive study of design or technique.

We meet at St. Luke's Presbyterian Church, 10 Bayview Dr, San Rafael, CA 94901