



August 2015 Newsletter

MARIN KNITTERS' GUILD

JULY 11, 2015 MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by Nazee. 12 existing members and 1 guest attended the meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT

There is currently \$989.70 in the treasury. Rent is due for third quarter.

CHARITY REPORTS AND DONATIONS

Toby brought knitting supplies from a friend cleaning out her place, donation to the Guild requested from anyone adopting any.

Nazee's mother Parvaneh donated a prayer shawl to the church.

OLD BUSINESS

Keyhole scarf knit-along: finish for November 14 meeting. Nazee has a keyhole scarf pattern for sale for advanced knitters, \$6.



Marilyn – Socks

In Stitches

"100 years ago, buying something you could make was considered wasteful; now making something you could buy is considered wasteful. I am not convinced this is a step in the right direction."

— Stephanie Pearl-McPhee

JULY PROGRAMS

July Program was Cables. Jane shared her cable tips and other members shared their tips and projects. **(a)** Tools and cables without cable needles; **(b)** Yarn as markers to mark cable pattern sections; **(c)** Cable flares: smaller number of stitches at beginning and end. i.e. knit together at edge of cables; **(d)** Reversible cables: ribbed cables (such as K1P1 or K2P2); **(e)** Triangular panel on the side for A-line; **(f)** Buttonholes: take advantage of natural holes in a cable pattern, sew around it as a buttonhole; **(g)** Blocking: discussion about not pinning, just patting out to maintain cable relief.

Linda shared her Annie Maloney Aran Lace book, which is available on the internet, through a link on Ravelry. (Linda will share the link on the Guild's Ravelry group page).

The new Vogue and Rowan magazines have patterns for cabled items.

FUTURE PROGRAMS

Nazee covered monthly programs for the year.

August mini workshop will be "Seaming with Crochet". Bring two 4" swatches with a matching crochet hook to practice seaming them together.

Yarn Crawl: North Bay, September (maybe)

Possible shops: Hen Haus, Knitterly, (perhaps Unicorn through special arrangement - it has no retail shop), Castaway, plus lunch. The trip will be on a weekend, not in place of the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

There was a discussion of how to encourage membership from the Guild presence at the fair. Possibilities: adult learn to knit; advertised free open house to make a small item (like the Needle-Arts Guild).

There are Marin knitters entering the Fair that are not Guild members. Suggestion for outreach: ask the Fair for knitting entrant contact information and reach out for potential interest in the Guild. Is this something Elaine could do with a Fair contact?

There is an informal evening knitting group at Barnes & Nobles in Corte Madera, mostly under 30s.

There was discussion about whether the Guild's Saturday morning meetings would attract knitters with kids in school or work

SHOW & TELL

- Toby's cowl poncho
- Marilyn's Noro Silk Garden shawl
- Leona's top down sweater
- Lois: keyhole scarf, the Miss Marple pattern, available on Ravelry.
- Fair Show and Tell: Linda, Marilyn, and Gail showed their fair entries including Linda's Best in Show. This year the judge entered numeric scores for the judging elements on the tags.

MARIN COUNTY FAIR

Elaine, the Guild's Fair liaison, was not present at the meeting so may provide a fair report later.

Linda and Gail volunteered at the fair one afternoon, Elaine volunteered a separate day. We had business cards for the Guild to encourage new members. More members should volunteer next year - as an incentive, volunteers receive a free pass to enter the fair. The Needlearts and Quilting Guilds were well represented as usual. Guild comments last year were acted on by Fair officials: 1) a the walk-through of the displays before the Fair opens; 2) not double booking the Guild's volunteer space and time slot with another activity.

Elaine and Linda did a walk-through of the displays to adjust wrong-side out knitted items and check for inappropriate display of delicate items.

*Respectfully Submitted by Acting Secretary
Gail Korenaga*



Ruth Cabled Top

Important Announcement

Nazee will close the Yahoo list in August and members need to join the Marin Knitters' Guild group on Ravelry.



Christine – Shawl



Gail - Shawl



Linda Shawl

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MEMBER INFORMATION

MARIN KNITTERS GUILD NEWSLETTER:

Reminder: Please email information for the 2014-2015 *Newsletters* to Radhika Sitaraman. She will publish information on websites, pod casts or blogs on knitting or other related crafts.

MEMBERSHIP: The only requirement for joining our Guild is an interest in knitting and crocheting. New and experienced crafters are equally welcome.

YAHOO GROUPS LIST: Marin Knitters Guild members who are not receiving Yahoo Group emails, should email marinknittersguild@yahoo.com to get on our distribution list.

PHOTOS: Members may access additional Guild photos on our Yahoo! website.



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 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 \$30 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 Drive, San Rafael, CA 94901.

Volunteers

Marin Fair Liaison – Elaine Johnson

Website & Yahoo! List – Nazee Fard

Name Tags – Dana Dunn

Church Liaison – Leona Thoeleck

