



# October 2015 Newsletter

## MARIN KNITTERS' GUILD

### AUGUST 8, 2015 MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by Christine Bo-Linn. There were 14 members present and 3 guests. Two guests joined the Guild – Welcome to Melissa and Anita!

### TREASURER'S REPORT

Rent is paid for the month; balance of \$839.73 in account. Dues are due in September - \$30 for the whole year.

### CHARITY REPORTS AND DONATIONS

Knitted items are donated to Marin hospitals and health groups.

Prayer shawls are donated to St. Luke's.

Elaine shared the December 2014 issue of Wildcare with knitted bird nests, cat/dog blankets and pet burial bunting.

### OLD BUSINESS

The Guild group on Yahoo has been closed, and Guild communications are through the Ravelry Guild group, the Guild website, and email. Posting in the Guild Ravelry group has increased, and members should try to keep it active. Instructions for the September program and a link to the September newsletter were posted there, and visitor Libby attended the September meeting after seeing the Ravelry posts.

The optional Guild project, to bring to the November meeting, is a keyhole scarf. Nazee posted several possible patterns on Ravelry

### *In Stitches*

"Hat head is a sad affliction wherein the chosen hat and the selected hairstyle are grossly incompatible. The unfortunate combination results in a condition that can be hidden only with the application of another hat."

— [Stephanie Pearl-McPhee](#)

## NEW BUSINESS

Craftsy is developing a yarn line, asking designers for free patterns using the Craftsy yarn brand.

Dale (of Norway) is offering a free Peace sweater pattern for a limited time. It is available as a free Ravelry download.

Melissa shared souvenir yarn from her trip to Germany - Feinheit Ultrafine Merino, by Atelier Zitron. The label says "tested for harmful chemicals".

## SEPTEMBER PROGRAMS

**September** Program: Matched increases and decreases, presented by Diane with several handouts. Knitting.com is a good resource for yarn-specific advice. Not all increases and decreases work for all yarns.

Program Pastor Nicole of St. Luke's stopped by to say hello. She received a red hand-knit shawl and loves it. She knits and may sit in at a Guild meeting some day.

## FUTURE PROGRAMS

### OCTOBER PROGRAM: ARM KNITTING

Christine Bo-Linn will teach us to use our arms as knitting needles. Bring your arms along with bulky yarn.

McGowan Workshop: Christine will post class possibilities on Ravelry and take a poll of which classes the Guild should offer. Christine has graciously offered her home as the workshop location.

Yarn Crawl: The shops will be Knitterly, Hen Haus, and Castaway, and the group will go to lunch. The yarn crawl will be rescheduled because many Guild members cannot attend the original Oct. 3 date. Nazee will start a Ravelry thread for the yarn crawl logistics.



Elaine - Hat



Christine – Crocheted Poncho



Lois – Knitted Striped jacket    Christine – crocheted bolero

### SHOW & TELL

Show & Tell was once again a ton of fun. Items shared were:

- Christine modeled an unblocked crocheted bolero and a crocheted poncho.
- Christine Joly modeled her completed Cloud shawl out of Shibui, from a modified Churchmouse pattern. She is happy to share her modifications with Guild members.
- Joan is knitting panels to yarn bomb her gate and fence. She will take a picture when its done.
- Lois modeled her sweater striped with bits and pieces of many yarns. She got advise from several Guild members on color arrangement for the striping. She also showed her completed keyhole scarf, from the Miss Marple pattern, free on Ravelry.
- Toby brought her friend's craft closet contents for Guild members to take with a donation to the Guild.

*Respectfully Submitted by  
Gail Korenaga*

**Riddle me Ree!!**

**Q: What did the hook sing to the yarn?**

**A: O..... Strand by me.....**

**Q: Why do elephants have wrinkled knees?**

**A: Results of improper blocking**

*Courtesy : Hooking Geek – Franklin Habit*



## 2014-15 OFFICERS

### *Co-Presidents*

*Christine Bo-Linn*

*Diane Sack*

### *Secretary*

*Gail Korenaga*

### *Treasurer*

*Dana Dunn*

### *Programs Committee & Vice Presidents*

*Nazee Fard*

### *Newsletter*

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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](mailto: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 & Ravelry Group – Nazee Fard*

*Name Tags – Dana Dunn*

*Church Liaison – Leona Thoelecke*

