



Marin Knitters Guild Newsletter

MARIN KNITTERS' GUILD

MAY 13, 2016 MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by Diane Sack. Fifteen members and 2 guests plus baby Levie attended the meeting. Christine opened the meeting with committee reports.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The rent is paid through June. There is \$670.05 in the account.

MARIN COUNTY FAIR

The entrance deadline has passed. Entered items are due June 10-11. The walk-through to check the display of knitted items will be June 28, organized by Elaine Johnson, our Fair liaison. She has checked that the Guild awards are accurately stated in the Exhibitor's Guide. Member Anita shared that the online entry system was easy to use.

MEDIA REPORT

Bluebird Yarns has increased their discount to 60% off yarn, and set their last day of business as May 22nd. Several Guild members have increased their stash. Best wishes to owner Sophie Boros-Kouros and the staff on their next steps.

Lois brought yarn and buttons for Guild member adoption.

JUNE PROGRAM

The June Guild program will be by Nazee Fard on casting on our triangular shawl ways to finish the shawl by binding off or other techniques.



Credit: jessieathome.com

SHOW & TELL

Nazee showed her double crochet shawl and wore a knitted twin set.

Christine finished a crocheted shawl in gradient yarn called Mine Once More. She showed her completed but unblocked Icelandic style sweater from a Carrie Bostock Hoge pattern.

Lois wore a Hexagon cowl and is working on a cabled sweater/vest.

Amy is working on a scarf.

Diane completed several mitts and hats for sale at craft fairs.

Arlene is making a scarf from madlintosh.

Toby made a hat in Giants colors, and is knitting 2 sweaters in different size for her granddaughter because she thinks the first one will be too form fitting.

Dana knit a sweater for her new great-granddaughter.

Ruth completed some beaded gauntlets.

Joan is working on a mitered cotton sweater.



Anita's Sam the Ram

Guest Amy is working on a Hitchhiker shawlette in handspun and wore an Icelandic sweater acquired on a recent trip.

Katherine is knitting Viajante from Sweet Georgia yarn. She is knitting an Elizabeth Doherty top-down sweater as a sample for a Piedmont yarn shop which has a non-protein yarn wall for hypoallergenic customers.

Anita brought her completed Sam the Ram, a knitted sheep with an Aran cabled body.

Elaine is knitting a hooded poncho. She mentioned she uses needlepoint thread to seam sweaters, from *Come to the Point* in San Rafael. She thinks it often results in better finishing than the knitting yarn used for the project. She received a commission to finish knitting a colorwork sweater but asked if another Guild member would like to take it over.

Jane is knitting a lace shawl.

NEW BUSINESS

New officers are set thanks to volunteers from the membership:

Co-Presidents: Jane Cooperman

Treasurer: Dana Dunn

Secretary: Gail Korenaga

Programs Chair: Nazee Fard and Christine Bo-Linn and Lois Errante

Newsletter: Radhika Sitaraman

There has been a shortage of officer volunteers over the past several years, and the Guild membership has decreased despite a vibrant on-line knitting community. The Guild was formed 29 years ago as a teaching guild. The discussion centered round the purpose of the Guild.

In summary, members come to Guild meetings for knitting inspiration, help, news about knitting and to socialize with fellow knitters. Several members felt that with all the online resources for knitting instruction, there is less need for the Guild to provide a teaching role. There was also discussion about past and future Guild knit-alongs and charity projects. Some members submitted ideas for possible workshops by local teachers based on workshops they are teaching at LYSS.

Respectfully submitted by:
Gail Korenaga, Secretary



Ruth Beaded fingerless gloves



Christine's crocheted shawlette



Elaine - Baby poncho



Dana's baby jacket for her great grandbaby



Lois - variegated cowl

2016-17 OFFICERS

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Jane Cooperman

Programs Chairs/ vice-president

Nazee Fard

Christine Bo-Lin

Lois Errante

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MEMBER INFORMATION

MARIN KNITTERS GUILD NEWSLETTER:

Reminder: Please email information for the 2016-2017 *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.

RAVELRY GROUP: Marin Knitters Guild has a group on Ravelry. You can join us by going to our website www.marinknittersguild.org or join directly from Ravelry by searching for "Marin Knitters' Guild" in the group section.

PHOTOS: Members may access additional Guild photos on our website www.marinknittersguild.org.



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 – Nazee Fard

Name Tags – Dana Dunn

Church Liaison – Leona Thoelecke

