AUGUST 2022 NEWSLETTER

MEETINGS:

NIGHT MEETING

WHEN: Wednesday August 24th, 7 pm

WHERE: Salvation Army London Citadel (555 Springbank Drive - the corner of

Springbank Drive and Wonderland Road)

DAY MEETING

WHEN: Thursday August 25th, 10 am

WHERE: Eastern Star Temple (800 Fanshawe Park Road East, London)

Masks continue to be mandatory to be worn at the meetings. The Board members feel it is still for the best of our members (being of the vulnerable demographic) to have this practice continuing. Of course should you feel ill or have been in close contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19, we ask that you do not attend the meeting and reach out to one of our board members should you require anything in the meantime.

A WORKING SESSION AT THIS MONTH'S MEETING At the end of "Show and Tell" there will be an opportunity to share and learn techniques for joining squares and strips. Members experienced and skilled in joining techniques are asked to stay and share their experience and knowledge with other Club members. Members who are looking to learn or improve in this area are asked to come to the meeting prepared with finished squares or strips; joining yarn; suitable hooks and tapestry/darning needles – and anything else they think they might need.

MONTHLY FEATURE:

At last month's meeting a few blankets were turned in by one of our members which had the interest of those attending the meeting. A unique and interesting stitch caught the eye of many and so we thought it would be our feature in this month's newsletter. The "Ripple V-Stich" have you heard of it? Have you tried it? If you would like to check it out I have included a you-tube video link if interested. We look forward to seeing more of this in our upcoming meetings. Please let us know if you have used it, tried it for the first time or had any issues with it. I am sure the member with the lovely blankets would lend a helpful tip or two.

Ripple V Stitch Crochet Tutorial - Right Handed

WESTERN FAIR UPDATE

It is Western Fair time again! The organizers are very excited that the Fair will be a live event this year and are looking forward to showing the public all the beautiful and imaginative creations local artisans have entered. All of the Club items – 26 blankets and 3 novelty items – have been registered on–line and the actual blankets and the stuffed dolls will be delivered to the Fair on August 18th. If you are curious about if one of your projects has been entered, Fran has a list of registrants and can answer that for you. Once items have been judged, we will pin our special "Crochet Club" stars to all of them so that, as the public is viewing the display, they can learn about us and appreciate the beautiful work our members do. At the end of the Fair (September 20th), the items will be picked up by two Board members and returned to the clubhouse for dispersal as silent auction blankets or to our agencies.

Items that are judged to be the first, second or third place prize winners will have a ribbon attached by the Fair. The creators of winning submissions will get an email telling them they have won and will receive a cheque – \$40 for 1st, \$25 for 2nd, \$10 for 3rd – in the mail. The registration of all items included the name, telephone number and email address of the creator and the Fair will contact that individual, not the Crochet Club. If your item wins a prize but you don't have an email address, the Fair will contact Marti and she'll be in touch with you. Best of luck to the entrants and, as always, thank you, everyone, for the lovely work you do!

OUR NEXT CLUBHOUSE (111 Waterloo Street, London) DROP IN DAY IS:

SEPTEMBER Thursday September 8th 1 pm - 4 pm	
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Please remember to sign up if you intend to 'drop in' to the clubhouse. You do not have to choose a specific time to attend this is just to give us an idea of those intending to do so.

Please sign up by following this link volunteersignup.org/FQFCX

If no members sign up by 4 pm on September 7th, the Clubhouse will NOT be open on September 8th.

PROJECT COMPLETIONS OF THE MONTH

Full 40

Lap 57

Baby 17

Total 114 25 lap blankets were donated to Life*Spin

FUNDING & DONATIONS

As we have mentioned before our yarn stock is not replenished by yarn fairies, except for those generous donations we receive from the public. So fundraising and donations continue to be a crucial part of our efforts. Thanks to Sian's efforts we recently received a generous \$2500 from TD Bank.

FUNDRAISING SALES as we had previously mentioned we were looking at doing another outdoor fundraising sale this summer. Due to the very hot weather the fundraising activity tentatively planned for August in Wortley Village did not happen. We look forward to hopefully bringing back our sales in the dare I say it .. Christmas/Holiday gift buying season. Be sure to enjoy the remainder of your summer because we all know what is right around the corner ...

YARN RESTOCKING

This month \$1000 was spent on restocking yarn, purchased at Cambridge Fibres. A trip to Spinrite Tent sale is planned for August 17th, we can't wait to see the colours and selections Fran and Marion find on their shopping adventure.

THANK YOU to all our members who tackled detangling donated yarn. It is quite the task and your time and efforts has not gone unnoticed.



If you have any further questions or concerns please contact Fran at 519-657-0516 or schreindler@bell.net

