

Manitoba Doll Club Newsletter

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The Manitoba Doll Club newsletter is published 7x a year, September-November and January-April.

**Please note our website:
www.manitobadollclub.com**

Don't forget to wear your name tag to each meeting to be eligible for a door prize.

PLEASE NOTE: ON SUNDAY, parking in the hotel lot is available at a flat rate of \$2 for the day. The ticket machine does not take toonies, so please bring two loonies!

On-street parking is free on Sunday.

Traders' Table

Please bring any doll-related items you no longer need - doll hair, bits of lace, fabric, doll clothes or patterns, etc. - and be sure to check for things you can use for a doll project.

You don't need to bring anything in order to take something!

MEMBERSHIP INQUIRIES:

Ardythe Basham Membership 772-9982 Email: a_basham@shaw.ca
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Membership in the Manitoba Doll Club is \$20 a year. **All memberships expire at the end of March. Please renew at the February, March or April meeting!**

Please note - I don't have birthdays for all members, so please let me know so we can acknowledge you with birthday greetings! I promise not to reveal your age!

March Meeting 1:30 p.m. Sunday, March 22, 2009 at the Charter House Hotel

1:30 - 2:00: Business meeting &
Door Prize Draw

2:00 - 2:15: Show and Tell: Elves,
Gnomes and Leprechauns, Oh My!

Please bring your completed Red Hats to show off! Sylvia will have kits for anyone who would like to make another hat or who did not get one at the February meeting.

2:30 - 3:00 **COFFEE BREAK**

3:00 - 4:00: Gene Dolls by Gail Edwards

Executive 2008-2009

Acting President/

Vice-President (Membership)

Ardythe Basham (772-9982)

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Acting Vice-President (Activities)

Gail Edwards (488-8131)

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Secretary:

Diane Malzensky (334-4916)

Treasurer: Olga Komoski (334-0885)

Committee Heads:

Newsletter: Ardythe Basham (772-9982)

Librarian: Dianne Malzensky (334-4916)

Pattern Library:

Sheelagh Komus (832-3469)

Sunshine Girl:

Pat Scott (psscott@mts.net)

Webmaster:

Joy Hillhouse (772-8127)

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Photographer: Cheryl Hamilton (889-6556)

Fall Doll Show Co-ordinator, 2008

Sylvia Grantham (1-204-482-4932)

Email: sdgranth@mts.net

EXECUTIVE CHANGES:

Effective at the February meeting, Gail Edwards has resigned as President and Carol Fraize as Activities V-P. Ardythe Basham will be Acting President and Gail Edwards will act as Activities V-P until club elections are held.

DOLL SHOW UPDATE

Our theme is Dolls with Hat'titudes, and Sylvia has arranged with the "Queen Mother" of the Red Hat Ladies to judge our doll-size Red Hats. Other hat competitions are planned.

We will be at the Canad Inns Polo Park once again.

Please contact Sylvia at (1-204-482-4932)

Email: sdgranth@mts.net or Marie at 339-7665 for more information.

We need all club members to help promote and publicize the show!

CLUB ELECTION:

At the February meeting we discussed elections for the club executive and agreed to postpone elections until April. Alice Thomson is phoning members for a club survey (confidential) and to gather names for election.

All executive positions are open for nominations. Some members of the executive will be standing for re-election.

At the April meeting (April 26) we will hold elections, and immediately after our coffee break there will be a Planning Meeting for all members of the old and new executives, committee heads, the doll show co-ordinator, and any members who would like to attend.

At this meeting the results of the member survey will be presented and used to assist in planning for next year.

Please consider running for an executive position, or volunteering to assist any of our executive and committee heads.

MANITOBA DOLL CLUB
PRESENTS
DOLLS WITH HAT'TITUDES
DOLL SHOW AND SALE
OCT. 18, 2009.....10:00 - 4:00
CANAD INNS...POLO PARK
1405 ST.MATTHEWS AVE...WPG, MB.

DOLLS...BEARS...TOYS
ANTIQUES...MODERN...COLLECTIBLE
MINIATURES...HAND-CRAFTED
BARBIE...FASHION DOLLS...RE-BORN
DOLL CLOTHES...BOOKS AND SUPPLIES

DOLL DISPLAY
"PEOPLE'S CHOICE" DOLL HAT COMPETITION
DOOR PRIZES AND CHARITY TABLE

THE "QUEEN MOTHER" IS COMING
TO JUDGE OUR "DOLL SIZE" RED HATS

ADMISSION
ADULT.....\$4.00
SENIOR ...\$3.00 (+65)
CHILD....\$3.00 (4-12)

INFORMATION
MARIE...339-7665
SVL.VIA.1-204-482-4932
sdgranth@mts.net

WE SUPPORT CHILDREN'S CHARITIES

TRIP TO BISMARCK

The Bismarck Doll Friends plan a weekend of dolly fun on June 6-7, with a "Come Out and Play With Me" luncheon on June 6 and the Dear Dolly Friends Doll Show on June 7th. Please see the enclosed flyer for more information.

Please call Sharon Wilde @ 694-5399 if you are interested in attending. It does not seem there will be enough interest to charter a bus, but some members may want to share the costs of renting a van for the trip.

OTHER DOLL CLUBS

MAILBOX DOLL CLUB

Linda Peters dollpete@mts.net

Bismarck Doll Friends

www.deardollyfriends.com

Dolls On Line, Learning and Sharing

(D.O.L.L.S.) is an internet based doll club which meets online. To find out more, visit the UFDC website:
<http://www.ufdc.org/OnlineclubDOLLS.htm>

Doll Study Group of Nova Scotia (DSGNS)

Regular meetings are held at Sobey's Community Rm, Main St at Forest Hills Parkway, Dartmouth NS from -10 on the third Tuesday of each month, Sep to Nov, and Jan to Jun.

Jean Tully at westjeddore@eastlink.ca
Marilyn Millward lyno@eastlink.ca

Mayflower Doll Club, Nova Scotia

rjd122"at" gmail.com
(replace the "at" with the @ symbol)

Calgary Doll Club

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or call 1-403-243-3573

*Happy Birthday
to our March
Ladies!*

Brandy Koh

Christine Loff

Alice Thomson

Dorothy Treacy



GETTING TO KNOW YOU

New Member J. H. writes:

I became interested in dolls 40 years ago and still have my own doll and Teddy. I now collect and dress dolls. My favourite dolls are from 1850-1900.

I have one bedroom in my house set up as a doll room with dolls and related articles.

I am also a passionate gardener and antique collector. My husband and I enjoy our heritage house.

PRIVACY NOTE: Because our newsletter is posted to our website, I do not ordinarily include members' contact information without permission. Please let me know if you prefer not to have your name included.

LIBRARIAN REQUEST

If you have books out, please call Dianne to make arrangements to return them, as other members may want to borrow them.

PATTERN LIBRARY

Sheelagh brings an assortment of patterns to each meeting. If you are interested in a particular pattern or type of pattern, please call with your requests.

ADVERTISEMENTS in the newsletter are free to members. There is a small charge to non-members. Call or email **Ardythe** at 772-9982 or rbasham@shaw.ca

FOR SALE

KILN AND MOLDS for sale

Ruth Condello has a kiln (old Cress) for \$600 and 200 old doll molds (\$1,000). Ph. **452-5678**

MAJOR DOWNSIZING REQUIRED

Dolls and accessories, Doll Houses, Patterns, Books, Magazines
Call Marilyn at 204-261-8874

LOOKING FOR back issues of "Haute Doll" and "Barbie Bazaar". Contact Sharon Wilde 694-5399

Wanted: Alice Thomson is looking for the following items:

1. **Barbie Fashion Vol. II** by Sarah Eames
2. **Mary Hoyer and Her Dolls** by Mary Hoyer
3. **Classic Knits for Girl Dolls** by Marjory Fainges

If you can help with any of these, please call Alice at **275-5796**, or email Newsletter Editor at a_basham@shaw.ca.

FOR BOOKLOVERS:

Contact Ardythe at 772-9982 for help finding out-of-print or hard to find books. Some good sites are alibris.com, biblio.com, and abebooks.com. I also have my own book-related website, www.readingratwpg.com. Please check it out!

WEBSITE ADVERTISING

If you are a member of the Manitoba Doll Club and have a doll-related or doll-compatible business, you can advertise it on the club website. You do not need to have a website or email address to do so.

Please contact Joy Hillhouse at joy@weechi.net or 772-8127.

LEMON BARS

These were served at a recent meeting and were delicious. Unfortunately I had a senior moment and didn't write down the baker's name! Please identify yourself to be appropriately thanked!

CRUST:

2 cups flour
¼ cup sugar
1 cup butter, softened

Preheat oven to 350 ° F. Cut ingredients together in a large bowl. Pat crust into a 13 x 9 baking pan. Bake 15 minutes. Mix topping during last 5 minutes of baking.

TOPPING:

2 cups sugar
1 tsp. baking powder
¼ cup flour
3 eggs
2/3 cup lemon juice
Grated rind of 2 lemons

Mix ingredients together in a large bowl and pour over crust. Bake 20 minutes. Cool completely. Sprinkle with icing sugar.

Pattern Note:

Two hat patterns have been donated to the library: a chic little cocktail hat, and instructions for decorating cloth caps for children. Included are a lobster, shark, and beach scene.

Some further options for "Hat'titudes"!

Fair Isle Sweater and Headband for Fashion 16 inch Dolls by Robert Tonner

Difficulty level: ★★☆☆☆ Easy

Free Doll Sweater Knitting Pattern

I used Regia sock Fair Isle yarn to knit this sweater. To achieve the Fair Isle effect the main part of the sweater was knitted as a tube.

Size: For 16-in fashion dolls by Tonner

Materials: Regia sock Wool yarn #5160 210 m/50g - 1 ball.
Needles: 5 #1 (2.0 mm) double pointed needles

OR SIZE NEEDED TO OBTAIN GAUGE

Gauge: 24 st = 4" (10 cm)

Patterns:

Rib: 1k, 1p

Stocking Stitch

1 row and all odd rows - knit sts
2 row and all even rows - purl sts

Directions:

Back and Front

Cast on 40 sts. Connect them into circle and knit a tube on 5 needles.
Knit rib for 3 rows.

Continue stocking stitch for 36 rounds (or rows).

Cast off 3 sts, knit 18 sts (this will be the front) and leave them on a separate needle, cast off 3 sts, knit remaining 16 sts (this will be the back).

Continue to knit back on 16 sts knitting back and forth. Decrease 1 sts at the beginning and at the end of a row to shape armholes. Knit stocking stitch for 10 rows.

Cast off remaining stitches.

Front

Continue to knit front on 18 sts knitting back and forth. Decrease 1 sts at the beginning and at the end of a row to shape armholes. Knit stocking stitch for 10 rows.

To shape a neck hole cast off 4 sts in the middle and continue both sides separately.

Cast off 1 sts to continue shaping a neck hole. Knit stocking stitch for 10 more rows.

Cast off remaining stitches.

Sleeve:

Cast on 10 sts (including edge stitches).

Knit rib for 4 rows.

Continue stocking stitch.

Add on both sides 1 st in each 4th row. Knit 38 rows

Cast off.

To match the stripes on the second sleeve make sure to start the second sleeve on the same color of the yarn.

Finishing:

Join 1 shoulder seam. Cast on 28 st along the neck hole line and knit rib for 14 rows. Cast off.

Join sleeve seams, collar and shoulder seam, Set in sleeves.

Headband

Cast on 6 sts. Knit rib for 30 rows. Cast off. Join the seam.

Enjoy!

PLEASE NOTE: The "Fair Isle" effect comes from the yarn. If you cannot obtain this specific yarn, any variegated yarn would produce an attractive sweater although not the same pattern effect.

