

# Anacapa Fine Yarns Newsletter

*Proudly Promoting Fiber Arts in Ventura County*

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## Spring/Summer 2008

The sounds and scents of spring are upon us. Flowers blooming, children playing outside, and the warmth of the sun. But don't let that distract you from your knitting! One of the great things about knitting and crocheting is the portability of them. Camping, car trips, airplane flights, visits with family, can all include your handwork.

Anacapa Fine Yarns has lots of beautiful new summer yarns for you to play with.

We are proud to be able to offer Koigu's line of KPPPM (Koigu Painters Palette Premium Merino). We have about 20 colors of this yarn in stock. Each dyelot of Koigu's Painter's Palette is an individual creation and there are no two dyelots exactly the same.

Beth Casey of Lorna's Laces has been working hard to bring us a new organic wool yarn. Their new Green Line has arrived, spun from 100% certified organic merino wool. It's hand-painted and as soft and luxurious as all of their other yarns. We now have the Green Line in its DK weight in stock in many of its beautiful colors.

Blue Heron Rayon Metallic yarn will soon be arriving (again), I haven't been able to keep this yarn in stock. It's perfect for a knit or crocheted summer shawl for that special event you will be attending.

We just received a new shipment of Art Yarns which includes their Beaded Silk and the Silk Rhapsody. Silk Rhapsody is the yarn used in the shawl sample at the shop from Iris Schriers' 'Lacy Little Knits' book. This shawl requires two skeins of the Silk Rhapsody.

More Manos del Uruguay Silk Blend is in stock. This is a wonderful silk/wool yarn in all the Manos scrumptious colors.

We have new colors in Araucania's Patagonia. This is a 100% thick and thin cotton yarn. We also received a new yarn from Araucania called Pomaire. This is a beautiful smooth 100% pima cotton in Araucania's traditional beautiful hand dyed colors.

We have a new yarn from Noro called Taiyo. Taiyo comes in 100 gram skeins and is 40% cotton, 30% silk, 15% wool and 15% nylon, six great Noro colors to choose from. This is a wonderfully soft yarn.

We've restocked on Schaefer Yarns. Laurel and Susan (pima cotton in two different weights) and lots more Anne sock yarn.

In addition to new yarn arrivals, I wanted to let you all know that Anne's little Dante has arrived. Anne works here in the shop and teaches several classes. We've been anxiously awaiting Dante's arrival. He got here on April 14<sup>th</sup>. He weighed in at 9 pounds, 10 ounces and was 23 ¼ inches long. Congratulations Anne and Kevin!

Susie Meach and Becky Gojkovich are back on staff to help out while Anne is on her maternity leave. Susie is our spinning expert, so you can come see her on Wednesdays and some Fridays for all your spinning questions.

Our latest class schedule is included in this newsletter; it has all your favorite classes as well as a few new ones. Check out the schedule starting on the next page. The schedule is also posted on our website for easy reference.

We will be celebrating our 4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on June 21<sup>st</sup>. Make sure you save that date for a trip to the shop. We will be offering our popular bag sale again. This will be a good place to spend your economic stimulus check that Uncle George will be sending you. Send him a nice thank you letter and tell him about all the great yarn you got at Anacapa's sale.

If you haven't checked it out yet, Ravelry.com is the place to be. You can see what others are knitting, how projects turned out in different yarns, comments about patterns. You can queue up your projects, and list all your books. You can chat with friends about the latest knitting yarns and gadgets. Anacapa Fine Yarns has its own groups-Anacapa K2tog and Anacapa Spinsters. Please join us on Ravelry.

Have a wonderful spring and summer, and be sure to take your knitting wherever your travels take you.

Happy Knitting,

# Class & Workshop Schedule

## Spring/Summer 2008

*Please note: we expect classes to fill quickly. Register in advance to secure your space. Students must pay for their class when signing up. Unless noted, students should purchase all supplies listed before attending class, including any pattern or notions. Class participants receive a 10 percent discount on class materials. In the event you must cancel your reserved spot, we must be given at least five days' notice **before** the class date in order to refund your fees. If you do not, you forfeit your entire registration fee; however, if your place is filled by another student, we will refund your fee. Class samples are available to view at the shop. Also, please be **on time** for class.*

**Skill Levels are described as follows:**

**Confident Beginner:** Knitting-Know how to knit and purl confidently. Crochet- Know the chain, single crochet and double crochet confidently.

**Intermediate:** Knitting and Crochet-In addition to knowing the basic stitches, also are familiar with at least one increase and decrease as well as simple stitch patterns, color changes and finishing.

### Knitting Classes

#### Beginning Knitting

Three Sessions-Saturdays, May 17, 24 and 31, 4 pm to 6 pm, \$50, supplies not included. Skill level: No prior knitting experience. Instructor: Lois Varga

**OR**

Four Sessions-Wednesdays, July 9, 16, 23 and 30, 6 to 8 p.m., \$79, Call Ventura College to register-654-6459. Instructor: Lois Varga

This basic class will start you on your knitting adventure. Learn the basics: cast on, knit, purl, and bind off. Also learn several increases and decreases to add shaping to simple projects. Come see what all the fuss is about!

#### Knit Fixes

One Session-Wednesday, June 4, 6 pm to 8 pm, \$25, supplies not included. Skill level: Confident Beginner. Instructor: Lois Varga

If you are a fairly new knitter tired of ripping due to errors, this class is for you. Begin to understand stitch structure, learn how to unknit, and fix your knitting without ripping the whole thing out. This class can honestly make the difference between a frustrated knitter and a happy knitter. We want YOU to be a happy knitter with a beautiful, completed project!

#### Block-a-Month Afghan-Beginner

Monthly-Every fourth Saturday. Next class: Saturday, May 24, 9 a.m. to noon. Three classes \$75 or \$30 per class; supplies not included. Skill Level: Confident Beginner. Instructor: Karin Wilmoth

Learn a wide variety of skills as you work toward completing an afghan. You will learn how to read knitting patterns and charts. This will help you gain confidence in all your knitting projects.

#### Block-a-Month Afghan-Intermediate

Monthly-Every second Saturday. Next class: Saturday, May 10, 9 a.m. to noon. Three classes \$75 or \$30 per class; supplies not included. Skill Level: Intermediate. Instructor: Karin Wilmoth  
This class covers more intermediate level techniques. This is a continuing class but students at the appropriate skill level can jump in if space is available.

#### Sock Club

Monthly-Every first Saturday. Next class: Saturday, May 3, 9 a.m. to noon. Three classes \$75 or \$30 per class; supplies not included. Skill Level: Intermediate. It is recommended that you either have previously taken the Sock Knitting or Toe Up Sock class, or that you have knit a sock before. This is not a first sock class. Instructor: Karin Wilmoth

Socks, socks, and more socks! Toe Up, cuff down, socks with no heel, or toes; how many ways can you knit a sock? Let us count the ways. While we may not get through a sock every month, we will learn a different aspect and technique every time. Have you ever had a fitted arch? What about sideways socks? The possibilities are endless, and always rewarding. So set aside the first Saturday morning of the month, and join us as we expand our skills as sock knitters.

### **Felted Moebius**

One Session-Sunday, May 4, 9 am to 4 pm (with a break for lunch), \$50, supplies not included. Skill Level: Intermediate, understanding the moebius cast on is strongly recommended. Instructor: Karin Wilmoth

Its felting and moebius all in one exciting class. For those who've discovered the magic of moebius knitting, we offer a class to enhance your skills. Even if you've never fullled (knitted felting) before, you will be very excited as you learn to create this very unique bag! It is a moebius bag which means it is knit in one continuous piece. The wide strap does have a twist in it due to the knitting process, and is quite solid due to the fulling process. It is designed to be worn across your body sling style, and is very comfortable to wear. We'll even add a pocket or two.

### **Sock Knitting**

Two Sessions-Saturdays, May 10 and 24, 12:30 to 3:30 pm.; \$50, supplies not included. Skill Level: Intermediate. Instructor: Lois Varga

Once you make one pair of socks, you feel the need to make a pair for everyone in the entire family! Come and learn how to knit circularly and work the heel and the toe of the sock. You will learn the basics on either double-pointed or two circular needles.

### **Intro to Color Knitting-Intarsia**

One Session -- Saturday, May 17, 12:30 pm to 3:30 pm; \$30, supplies not included. Skill Level: Know how to knit and purl confidently. Instructor: Barbara Selesnick.

Learn to work from a graph to combine different blocks of color to create a design. You will learn the basics of knitting intarsia, tools that make things easier, tips and tricks for success. We will also create a graph of your own design for a second project.

### **Creative Knitting Workshop**

One Session-Sunday, May 25, Noon to 4 pm.; \$50, supplies not included. Skill Level: Confident Beginner. Instructor: Brecia Kralovic-Logan

Need a Creative knitting infusion?? Spend the afternoon steeped in color and texture and learn or practice how to knit in a whole new way. No patterns, no stitch gauge, no straight rows- knit curvaceous, organic shapes that are luscious and fun. We will work with a cast on, knit, bind off and pick up method to create one of-a-kind projects. Brecia will review creative knitting basics as well as present new inspirations, guidance and resources. Bring your work in progress or start something new. Be sure to have a variety of yarns and needles and your adventurous creative spirit!!

### **Fits You to A Tee**

Six Sessions-Tuesdays, May 27, June 10 and 24, July 8 and 22 and August 5, 1:30 pm to 4:30 pm, \$175, supplies not included, Skill Level: Confident Beginner. Instructor: Gloria Tracy

Have Gloria teach you the basics of a first garment. In this class, you can choose from three patterns simple enough for a first project, but with a sufficient amount of interesting details to intrigue experienced knitters. Each pattern can be adapted to any size requirement. All are worked in the round to the underarm so have minimal finishing and all patterns can be adapted to a variety of yarn weights. Techniques you will use or learn: how to figure gauge from a swatch; how to adapt a pattern to a different weight yarn than called for; working in the round on circular needles; use of markers; how to count rows and stitches; simple cable and twist; casting on additional stitches to an existing row; 3-needle bind off, and more.

### **Introduction to Lace**

One Session-Saturday, May 31, 9 am to Noon; \$30, supplies not included. Skill Level: Know how to knit confidently, no purls necessary. Instructor: Karin Wilmoth.

Make a beautiful lace soap sack and washcloth while learning the intricacies of lace. Enhance your knitting knowledge while learning to decipher pattern reading as well as chart reading and its symbols, garter lace pattern stitches, short rows and more.

### **Toe Up Sock**

Two Sessions-Saturdays, June 7 and 14, 12:30 pm to 3:30 pm \$50, supplies not included. Skill Level: Intermediate. Instructor: Karin Wilmoth

Whether you've made a sock the traditional cuff down way, or never made a sock at all, you'll enjoy learning to make your socks from the toe up on two circular needles. In this class we will learn how to measure and design a sock that will fit exactly as you want it to, while leaving the toe seam free.

### **Simple Hat**

One Session-Wednesday, June 18, 6 pm to 9 pm OR Friday, July 25, 6 pm to 9 pm; \$30, supplies not included. Skill Level: Confident Beginner.

Instructor: Anne LeCrivain-Cozzoli

Interested in making something in the round? Want to make something to match your tons of gorgeous scarves? Need a quick gift idea? In the Simple Hat class, you will learn the magic and easy formula for nearly any yarn and stitch. You will also learn how to work with both circular and double pointed needles.

### **Continental Converts**

One Session-Sunday, June 22, Noon to 3 pm. OR Monday, July 28, 6 pm to 9 pm; \$30, supplies not included. Skill Level: Confident Beginner.

Instructor: Anne LeCrivain-Cozzoli

Do you currently knit the English or American method by throwing your yarn with your right hand. Would you like to increase your knitting speed by nearly double? Continental knitting, where the yarn remains in an easy to access spot in your left hand, is an alternative to holding the

yarn in the right hand (throwing). In a very fluid movement, your knitting moves along in a most efficient manner. Come try this alternative and complete your projects in less time!

### **Intro to Cables -- Cable Scarf**

One Session-Sunday, June 29, noon to 3 pm; \$30, supplies not included. Skill Level: Know how to knit and purl confidently. Instructor: Barbara Selesnick.

Cables are really quite *simple* and fun to make. In class you will learn the ins and outs of cables, how to keep track of cable patterns as you are knitting. You will also learn some interesting history about this traditional technique. Learn the basics by knitting a beautiful cabled scarf. This technique can be applied to various garments and knit items – even purses and pillows!

### **Introduction to Moebius**

One Session-Thursday, July 3, 6 pm. to 9 pm; \$30, supplies not included. Skill Level: Confident Beginner. Instructor: Karin Wilmoth

What is MOEBIUS? A Moebius strip looks like a three-dimensional infinity symbol. This magical way of knitting creates a wonderful never-ending twisted loop that can be turned into a bowl, scarf or purse strap. Join as we explore this technique, while using this unusual shape to knit up a scarf with a 180-degree twist.

### **Introduction to Entrelac**

One Session-Sunday, July 6, Noon to 3 pm, \$40, plus materials, Skill Level: Intermediate.

Instructor: Jane Davis

*Entrelac* describes a pattern of squares knit at right angles to the neighboring square, making a basket weave pattern. Learn the basics of entrelac as you create a scarf using variegated yarn that seems to magically produce blocks of color.

### **Split Neck Top Down Baby Sweater**

Two Sessions-Fridays, July 11 and 18, 6 pm to 9 pm; \$50, supplies not included. Skill Level: Confident Beginner. Instructor: Anne LeCrivain-Cozzoli

This baby sweater is sized to fit 6 mos., 12 mos.,

and 18 mos. The top down construction, casting on at the neck edge, leaves little to no finishing at the end of the game. The fun, simple stripe pattern allows for some spice with color play. You will explore raglan shaping created by increases; striping, knitting in the round, and picking up stitches.

### **Romantic Lace Wrap**

Two Sessions-Sundays, July 13 and 27, Noon to 3 pm., \$50, supplies not included. Skill Level: Intermediate, Intro to Lace class is strongly recommended. Instructor: Karin Wilmoth  
Made popular during the reign of Queen Victoria, lace knitting has come around again, and is more popular than ever. A lovely shawl is just the thing around the shoulders on a chilly spring morning, so join us as together we will create a beautiful shawl, while learning to follow a chart, and learning some well-placed increases, and decreases.

### **Pattern Design**

One Session-Saturday, July 19, 9 am to 4 pm (with a break for lunch), \$60, supplies not included, Skill Level: Confident Beginner. Instructor: Gloria Tracy  
Do you have a stitch pattern you'd like to use, but can't find a suitable pattern? The answer – make your own. You'll find the guidelines you need to turn your idea into a wearable finished project. Gloria will teach you how to layout a pattern for cuff to cuff. She will also cover several versions of a more traditional sweater shape, this will include figuring a back, two fronts and set-in sleeves. She'll show how to make this shape with and without side seams. Gloria will share her formulas for figuring sleeve caps. She'll cover gauge and how to apply it, and several less traditional methods of joining pieces. A schematic will be provided for you to fill in your own measurements to use in all the design techniques. After each design technique is taught, you'll use the guidelines and your measurements to create a custom pattern. Between each design technique, she'll teach a variety of design skills including sleeve caps, joining techniques, spacing increases and decreases, pick up ratios, etc.

### **Mystery of Gauge**

One Session-Sunday, July 20, Noon to 3 pm.; \$30, supplies not included. Skill Level: Confident Beginner. Instructor: Barbara Selesnick  
Unlock the mystery of knitting the item that you've envisioned by learning the facts about gauge. In this class we cover what a gauge is and why it is *extremely* important to knitting, along with essential information that a swatch can tell you about your finished item. You will learn how to read ball-band information, learn about the properties of different yarn weights, along with washing symbol information. Finally, learn how to use your gauge to create patterns in Sweater Wizard, the easiest computer knitting program on the market.

## **Crochet Classes**

### **Beginning Crochet**

Three Sessions-Mondays, May 19, June 2 and 9, 6 pm. to 8 pm.; \$50, supplies not included. Skill Level: No prior crochet experience. Instructor: Elisa Purnell

### **OR**

Four Sessions-Saturdays, July 12, 26, August 2 and 9, 4 pm to 6 p.m., \$79, Call Ventura College to register-654-6459. Instructor: Lois Varga

This class will get you started on your crocheting adventure. Learn the chain stitch, single and double crochet, simple increases and decreases. We will also learn how to do a granny square. Additional skills and/or topics will be covered as time permits.

### **Block-a-Month Afghan-Crochet**

#### **OR- Beginning Crochet, Level 2 (and 3)**

Monthly-Every third Tuesday of the month. Next class: Tuesday, May 20, 6 pm. to 9 pm. **Please note: June Only**, class will be held on June 10. Three classes \$75 or \$30 per class; supplies not included. Skill Level: Confident Beginner. Instructor: Elisa Purnell

The Crochet Block-A-Month class has evolved into Crochet 102. Take your crocheting to the next level by learning a new technique or stitch pattern each month. Spring/summer classes

include Antique Star Stitch (May), Filet Crochet (June) and Entrelac Crochet (July). Each month's pattern is for a square or block, but techniques and stitch patterns are easily converted for use in other projects.

### **Boteh Scarf**

One Session-Saturday, May 3, 12:30 pm. to 3:30 pm.; \$30, supplies not included. Skill Level: Confident Beginner. Instructor: Anastasia Poland  
Old Persian for “a cluster of leaves,” this swirled Boteh scarf will be one of those showstoppers in your closet that you reach for again and again. Though it looks quite complicated, in truth, this is a pattern with motifs that a confident beginner can tackle, no problem. In addition, it is a welcome departure from the typical linear scarf patterns! Make one for yourself, and you'll have all your friends putting in requests for themselves.

### **Crochet the EZ Way**

One Session-Sunday, June 1, 9 am to 4 pm (with a break for lunch), \$60, supplies not included, Skill Level: Confident Beginner. Instructor: Gloria Tracy

Great for both beginning and experienced crocheters. Gloria will review the six traditional crochet stitches and teach six chained stitches. She'll discuss the difference between them and when and why you might want to use one or the other. She'll explore why counting crochet stitches is more challenging than knit stitches and why it is so easy to end up with the wrong number. She'll show the students how this happens and how to prevent it. She'll also cover how to read and write crochet shorthand. This class is also for knitters. Crochet makes super surface embellishments to add to knitted projects, makes edges that are reversible, magic bobbles and easy buttonholes of any size.

### **Amigurumi Dolls**

One Session-Saturday, June 28, 12:30 pm to 3:30 pm, \$30, supplies not included, Skill Level: Confident Beginner. Instructor: Anastasia Poland. One of the hottest trends in fun crochet, the amigurumi (which means “crocheted or knitted

doll” in Japanese) is simple to make – it only demands an ability to count and a good dash of your creativity! The perfect scrap- or stash-buster, amigurumis can be made from many different kinds of yarn. Often worked in the round, the patterns for amis are very basic, and cry out for you to experiment and make your amigurumi an original. We'll teach you how to start your rounds with a “magic adjustable ring,” then will continue with basic body parts for a variety of animals (pig, bear and bunny). You'll also learn simple seam stitching and pattern-reading tips.

### **Crochet Beaded Shawl**

One Session-Tuesday, July 22, 6 pm to 9 pm, \$30, supplies not included, Skill Level: Confident Beginner. Instructor: Elisa Purnell.

Beads and lace-weight mohair add elegance to this light as a feather wrap. We'll work 'on the diagonal' to make a triangular shawl. Most of the beads will be added as we go, so there's no need for pre-stringing. In class you'll learn several beading methods, in addition to diagonal crochet techniques.

### **Spiral Hat**

One Session-Saturday, July 26, 12:30 pm to 3:30 pm, \$30, supplies not included, Skill Level: Confident Beginner. Instructor: Anastasia Poland. Summer is a fantastic time to work on those small, lighter projects, and this fabulous hat fits the bill! Worked in the round, this (reversible) spiral hat is a bit different than your run-of-the-mill toppers – it incorporates two colors without requiring fastening off and joining each color repeatedly. Read: No weaving in endless loose ends! You'll love the technique and how it prevents the pooling effect in variegated yarns.

## **Other Fiber Classes**

### **Spinning with Color**

One Session-Sunday, May 18, Noon to 4 pm., \$35, plus a material fee of \$15 payable to the instructor (for fiber). Additional supplies not included. Skill Level: Must be able to spin a

consistent worsted weight and ply a 2 ply yarn.

Instructor: Susie Meach

Explore the different ways to apply color in your spinning. We will discuss color choices in spinning with dyed rovings, layered batts and pulled rovings. This is not a dyeing class but a hands-on class to use the wonderful wools and wool blends that are readily available.

### **Intro to Spindling**

One Session-Saturday, July 5, 12:30 pm to 3:30 pm., \$30, plus a material fee of \$5 payable to the instructor (for fiber). Additional supplies not included. Skill Level: No prior spinning experience required. Instructor: Susie Meach

Learning to use a handspindle is a practical and portable option for producing your own yarn. We will discuss types of handspindles, fibers suitable for handspindling, spinning and plying techniques. Next you will be introduced to -and practice- the techniques of hand spindling.

### **Spinning Essentials**

One Session-Saturday, July 12, 12:30 pm to 3:30 pm., \$30, plus a material fee of \$10 payable to the instructor (for fiber). Additional supplies not included. Skill Level: No prior spinning experience required. Instructor: Susie Meach

This class will introduce you to spinning on a spinning wheel. We will discuss fiber preparation for both spindle and wheel spinning. Types of spinning wheels and their advantages will be discussed as will spinning fibers and their uses. Techniques for preparing your own fiber from raw fleece to blending with commercially available roving will be presented and practiced.

### **Rigid Heddle Loom Weaving**

Two Sessions-Thursdays, July 17, 5:30 to 9:30 pm and July 31, 6 to 9 pm, \$60, plus materials. Instructor: Deb Jarchow

Learn to use a rigid heddle loom and use up your stash. This method of weaving is fast and easy to learn. In this class, you will learn to set up the small rigid heddle loom and weave at least one scarf. Once you've learned the technique, you can complete a scarf in just a few hours. Think of all the last minute holiday gifts you can make while

enjoying your yarns in a new way. This exciting way to make use of fancy and fun yarns is quick and easy, with the same portability as knitting.

### **Spinning 101**

Three Sessions-Mondays, August 3, 10 and 24, Noon to 3 pm, \$100, plus a material fee of \$15 payable to the instructor. Additional supplies not included. Wheel rental will be available for a limited number of students. Skill Level: No prior spinning experience required. Instructor: Susie Meach

Ready to commit to learning to spin on a spinning wheel? This is a hands-on course of three sessions covering: spinning wheel basics, handspinning techniques and fiber preparation. Additional spinning methods will be included as time allows.

## **On Going Classes**

### **Drop In Assistance**

Thursdays, 3 to 6 pm.; \$8 Don't understand the pattern? Need some help getting started with a new project? We can help. *Free Drop In Class with your yarn purchase at Anacapa Fine Yarns.* We want you to feel the satisfaction of having completed a beautiful project!

### **Let's Knit (or Crochet) for Charity**

Fridays, 10 a.m. to noon. Get together to knit or crochet for a good cause! We are now working on hats for cancer patients, baby blankets for babies in NICU and hats and gloves for the homeless. Local hospitals and charities are the recipient of all of these projects. They then distribute the items to those in need.

### **Thursday Night Get Together (KTOG)**

Thursdays, 6 to 9 p.m. Everyone is welcome to this informal knitting and crochet group. It's fun to get together with others that share your passion for fiber arts. Meet new people, get inspiration for new projects, and make new friends. Bring a project and join the fun.

Shop is also open during this time.

## **Featured Trunk Shows**

We have a Rowan revolving trunk show (we will be receiving different items every other week) at the shop through June 9<sup>th</sup>. This trunk show will feature many of their summer yarns and designs. Then in June, we will be featuring items from Interweave's 'Folk Style' book. Come by between June 9 and 16 to take a look at them up close and personal.

## **4<sup>th</sup> Annual Anniversary Celebration and Bag Sale**

Anacapa Fine Yarns will be celebrating its fourth anniversary on Saturday June 21<sup>st</sup>. You and all of your fiber friends are invited to our anniversary celebration. Door prizes, raffles, food and fiber fun. We will once again offer bags of yarn on sale for 40-60% off. Come early for best selection.

## **Fair Entries and Demonstration Volunteers**

The Ventura County Fair is fast approaching. The fair dates this year are July 30<sup>th</sup> through August 10<sup>th</sup>. If you are a Ventura County resident, you can submit your projects in a variety of categories. Fair entry books will soon be out with the entry deadlines listed. You can provide inspiration for all of us who love meandering through the Home Arts Building admiring what others create. Make Anacapa Fine Yarns proud. Show your stuff!!

Anacapa Fine Yarns will once again provide knitting demonstrations in the Home Arts Building at the fair. We have lots of fun talking to people about knitting and crochet and letting them know about the shop. We will be looking for volunteers to help us with our demonstration. Dates of the demos are yet to be determined, but it will include weekends of the fair plus some dates during the week. If interested, call the shop for more details.

## **Think Outside The Sox Contest**

Feeling creative? Feeling lucky? How about entering the 'Think Outside the Sox' contest. XRX, publisher of Knitters Magazine, is doing it again! In 1996 they held a sock contest. It was an amazing success, hundreds of knitters from four countries entered some of the most imaginative sock designs the world had ever seen. Now they have a new sock contest, with 26 categories and over \$20,000 in prize money. You could be featured in Knitters Magazine as well as an upcoming sock book from XRX. This is not for knitters only, crochet designs are also welcome. Several yarn companies are involved this time too and are also offering prizes if the winning entry is in their yarn. Anacapa Fine Yarns has stocked sock yarns from South West Trading Company, Colinette, Skacel, and Regia specifically for the contest. We have all the details and entry forms at the shop or go to <http://thinkoutsidethesox.com>.