Fur Back Gloves:

What can be more comfortable than a warmly lined pair of fur back gloves!

Practically any kind of fur can be used, but the varieties of hare and rabbit fur specially treated and sometimes dyed give good results.

There is a great variety of leathers suitable for the palms, but for hard wear a skin such as tan cape is most suitable.

Fleece lining can be bought at 3s. per yard, or ready-made linings can be procured at 4s. 6d. per pair.

Fur Pattern:

A different pattern is required as the front and back are divided. The front consists of two pieces, the palm and inside part of the thumb. The fur back of the hand and thumb is usually cut in one. The fourchettes are cut in leather.

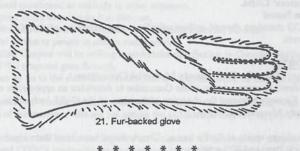
Placing On Material And Cutting Out .:

Lay the pelt fur downwards on a board. Place on the pattern for the back of the glove, so that the fur will smooth down towards the points of the fingers. Mark out the pattern and cut through the marked line with a sharp knife, lifting the fur away with the left hand while cutting, so that the skin only is cut. Never cut fur with scissors, as one is apt to cut the hair also. Reverse the pattern, outline and cut out. Care must be taken that the fur of each glove matches. Place the palms, thumbs and fourchettes on the right side of the leather, with the stretch going across. Mark round the patterns, and cut out with large sharp scissors.

Making Up:

Join the fourchettes in pairs and sew to the base of the first finger, right sides facing, and oversew the fur and the leather fourchette together on the wrong side, with a fine needle and strong thread. Measure, cut and taper the fourchette as in slip-on type. In the other fingers, leave the fourchettes long enough to meet at the top. Care must be taken to see that each side of finger is the same length, or the result might give a twisted appearance. Stab-stitch the thumb to the palm.

Close glove by joining front to back. Place the two right sides together, pinning each finger in position to avoid twisting. Oversew up the side and round the top of the thumb to the tip of the first finger. Oversew up the other side of glove to the tip of the fourth finger. Fasten off securely. Remove the pins from the fingers. Turn the glove to the right side and stabstitch the front fingers to the fourchettes. Turn back the bottom edge and insert a fine piping of cotton wool. Slip in the ready-made lining and slip-stitch together at bottom edge. Tack the lining at the tip and base of each finger. If desired, the gauntlets can be lined with fur.



This article is from "The Big Book of Needlecraft", edited by Annie S. Paterson, Odhams Press, Ltd., London. The estimated publication date is 1910-1920. There is no copyright date.

Our thanks to Deb Salisbury for finding this article for us. Besides competing heavily in our historical masquerades, she has started her own company — the Mantua Maker. She makes detailed historical patterns with heavy emphasis on underpinning and historical notes. For a copy of her free catalogue write to 220 S. School St., Grass Valley, CA 95945.

Minutes of the 1996 Annual Meeting



International Costumer's Guild:

1. Call to Order.

Pierre Pettinger, Vice President, called to order the 1996 annual meeting of the International Costumers' Guild at 10:32 AM, Monday, May 27, 1996, at the SeaTac Marriot (Seattle, WA). A quorum was present. Other officers present were: Dana MacDermott, Recording Secretary; and Gary Anderson, Treasurer. The President and Corresponding Secretary were not present. Approximately 42 members were present with an additional 144 represented by proxy.

The Saint Louis Proxy forms had been misplaced.

Moved by Byron Connell and seconded by Toni Lay: to accept 15 St. Louis proxies in absentia. Motion passed. Board of Directors present included David M. Kinnaman, Rocky Mountain Costumer's Guild; Zelda Gilbert, Costumer's Guild West; Frances Burns, South West Costumer's Guild; Betsy Marks, Greater Columbia Fantasy Costumers' Guild; Joy Day, Beyond Reality Costumer's Guild; Eileen Capes, Western Canadian Costumers' Guild; Susan de Guardiola (for Sharon Trimbley), New York/ New Jersey Costumer's Guild (Sick Pups); Victoria Warren, Greater Philadelphia Costumers' Guild (Lunatik Phrynge); Sandy Pettinger (for Nora Mai), St. Louis Costumers' Guild; Cat Devereaux (for Wendy Purcell), Australian Costumers' Guild; Jana Keeler, Greater Bay Area Costumer's Guild.

2. Minutes

The 1995 Minutes were published in the *Quarterly* (although it is yet to be received by many,) and in the mailing sent out to all chapters before the meeting.

Moved by Jana Keeler, and seconded by Bruce Bryant:

to add the GBACG Clarification to the 1995 minutes.

Motion passed

The Clarification will be published in a future Quarterly.

Moved by Byron Connell, and seconded by Toni Lay:

to change the order of the published Agenda, and go to New Chapter Admissions followed by item II.E., the Report of the Pat Kennedy Memorial Committee.

Motion passed.

3. New Chapter Admissions

The South Bay Area Costumers' Guild requested recognition as a chapter. They were represented by Cat Devereaux standing in for Marjorie Wilser.

Moved by Ken Warren, and seconded by Cat Devereaux:

to recognize the South Bay Area Costumers' Guild as a chapter of the International Costumers' Guild.

Motion Passed.

The Costumers Guild UK (CGUK) requested recognition as a Chapter. They were represented by Zelda Gilbert.

Moved by Betsy Marks, and seconded by Jess Miller:

to recognize the Costumers Guild UK as a chapter of the International Costumers' Guild.

Motion Passed

ICG members cheered enthusiastically at the expansion of the ICG to a third Continent.

REPORTS

4. Report from the Pat Kennedy Memorial Committee;

Carl Mami, as representative of the Committee to determine an appropriate memorial to Pat Kennedy proposed the changing of the name of the Guild Archives to The Pat Kennedy Memorial Library.

The Archives reside at Carl's home. The Archives have been there since 1986, as both Sick Pups and ICG archives.

Moved by Byron Connell, and seconded by Mary Jamine.

to change the name of the Guild Archives to The Pat Kennedy Memorial Library.

Discussion:

The archives contain videotapes from all Costume Cons except 10, 11 & 12, and photographs from CC1-10, & 13, as well as other photos submitted by individuals. The photographs are being moved to disk to be stored in a TTF format. When the new CD ROM reader is available, it is hoped that these photos will be made available at 500 photos per disk.

Carl requests that anyone who wishes their costume photos to be included in the archives send the pictures to him. The photos will be returned. (Please send return postage with the photos.) The archives has not used Guild funds, but has been maintained by the Sick Pups.

All of the official letters to the chapters by the ICG Presidents are included in the archives with the exception of the 1995-6 year. Two of the past presidents have already submitted all of their correspondences. The others are requested to do so.

All of the CostumAPA's starting with #6 are also archived as well as most issues of Squeals (the CGW newsletters). There are a little over 2 Gigs of information stored at this time.

Tapes of Fifteen WorldCon Masquerades and as many of the late John Fong's tapes as Carl was able to obtain.

Motion Passed.

The report of the committee is accepted and the archives are renamed. (Applause.) Peggy Kennedy says that Pat would have liked this.

If we are going to pursue the continuation or reinstatement to full 501(c) (3) status, all chapters should send their newsletters and scheduled events to the Pat Kennedy Memorial Library. This already existing archives can be supplemented to provide the documentation we need to substantiate our educational activities to the IRS.

Address of the Pat Kennedy Memorial Library:

Pat Kennedy Memorial Library Carl and Elaine Mami 85 W. McClellan Ave Livingstone, NJ 07039 There is no email address at this time. Carl would love to get back issues of the chapters' newsletters on disk. IBM, any format.

5. Treasurers report

Gary Anderson reported that we have \$5331.31 in the account. We owe \$5150. This is only for the *Quarterly*. This does not include money owed to individuals. (amount unreported). The \$5150 amount is only an educated estimate. Specifics must wait on a final estimate from the *Quarterly* editor.

CGW has indicated that should there be a shortfall in the production and mailing of the back issues of the Quarterly, they would issue a grant to prevent bankruptcy.

Gary believes there is no danger of Bankruptcy at this time.

Cost of mailing the *Quarterly* goes up per unit as the number of members receiving the issue goes down.

There is a lot of work to do in order to produce a complete financial report. This is only a "snapshot" of the state of the Guild at the present time.

Discussion:

In response to a suggestion on possible cost saving format changes to the Quarterly, Pierre Pettinger the Vice President, suggested that cost containment be considered under New Business.

Moved by Joan Brant, and seconded by Bridget Landry:

to accept the Treasurer's report. Motion passed.

6. Membership Report.

There is no written Membership Report. As best as can be determined, we have 940 members. This does not count the members in the two new chapters. There is also one member at large.

There are (with the two new chapters) 13 active chapters. The Midwest Costumers' Guild merged into the St. Louis Costumers' Guild. The North Virginia chapter was admitted last year, but has no representative at the convention. Gary has not heard from them, but we have no information about possible correspondence with the guild President. The New England Costumers' Guild was presumed extinct, but a member was at the meeting. He did not have authorization to represent the chapter, but will talk to the treasurer and president at his return. There are 13 active chapters,(and two ambiguous chapters.)

The thirteen active chapters are:

Australian Costumers' Guild Beyond Reality Costumer's Guild

Costumer's Guild West

Greater Bay Area Costumer's Guild

Greater Columbia Fantasy Costumers' Guild

Greater Philadelphia Costumers' Guild

New York/New Jersey Costumers' Guild

Rocky Mountain Costumers' Guild

Southwest Costumer's Guild

St. Louis Costumers' Guild

Western Canadian Costumers' Guild

Costumers Guild UK

South Bay Area Costumers' Guild

Moved by Byron Connell, and seconded by Carl Mami:

to accept the membership report and in addition that the Guild thank the Treasurer for his diligent efforts over the past year to re-establish the membership database.

Motion passed.

7. Parliamentarian's report, Janet Wilson-Anderson:

Thanks to the efforts of Byron Connell and Betsy Marks, all the chapters have up to date copies of the Standing rules and By-laws. There are some minor numbering problems.

The Vice-President ordered the correction in numbering of Standing rules 23 & 24 to 21 & 22.

Thorough review of the Standing Rules was not completed, and it was requested by the Parliamentarian that the committee be extended another year. (The dead have been resurrected and are sort of walking around. We can look into the underwear shortly.)

The Vice President ordered the extension of the committee.

Moved by Betsy Marks, and seconded by Bruce Briant:

to accept the Parliamentarian's report.

Motion passed.

8. Costumer's Quarterly Report, Cat Devereaux:

The Quarterly is up to date in editing process. All back issues are completed, and the next issue is underway. Volume 8, Number 3 was printed, but not distributed because of the state of the database. Some few people received it by hand. It is in storage. The double issue to make up for 1994 volumes 3&4 will be coming out. The remaining issues are also up to date and ready to be printed.

Estimate on mailing date :approximately one month. It will go bulk, so no guarantee on arrival date.

All five issues should arrive within a short span of time.

The current editor's resignation is not immediate, and she will be available to help if needed.

Moved by Byron Connell, and seconded by Rob Himmelsbach:

to accept The Costumer's Quarterly Report and to thank Cat for her efforts.

Motion passed.

9. Costuming Programming at WorldCon, Zelda Gilbert.

If you are going to WorldCon and want to be on programming, please fill out the forms.

OLD BUSINESS

10. Vintage Clothing resolution, Janet Wilson-Anderson.

Moved by Janet Wilson-Anderson, and seconded by Carl Mami to table the vote on the Vintage clothing resolution until next year's meeting in Baltimore. Motion passed. (Joy can deal with it.)

11.Standing rules amendment; Standing Rule 18D

Moved by Janet Wilson-Anderson, and seconded by Byron Connell

to change the order of the day, to move item 6A (of the Agenda) before item 5B (of the Agenda).

Moved by Janet Wilson-Anderson, and seconded by Carl Mami: Motion passed.

It shall also be the duty of the Parliamentarian to keep the records of the Bylaws and Standing Rules of the organization in good order and to provide each officer and chapter with a copy of same, and a copy to be sent to The Pat Kennedy Memorial Archives at least once annually. The Parliamentarian shall provide a copy to any other member of the ICG upon receipt of a request for same, accompanied by a self addressed stamped envelope.

Motion passed.

12. Discussion on The Costumer's Quarterly

Moved by Ken Warren and seconded by Carl Mami to wave the 45 day pre submission requirement to accept for consideration Amanda Allen's motion. Motion passed.

This means the item may be moved to the floor.

The following submitted motions are being read (into the minutes) as a point of information to allow for relevant discussion:

Amanda Allen's proposal:

The ICG Officers and Board of Directors initiate a change in name for the publication (Costumer's Quarterly) and make it a requirement of the standing editor that the publication be delivered according to specified four issues per year or such number of issues that be deemed appropriate by the board of directors, and further that there be no motion to raise the subscription fee, with the exception to covering additional postage fees levied by the US Postal Service, until such time as the editor has attained a perfect two year record for publication of same.

Proposals Submitted by the New York/New Jersey Chapter:

The subscription fee for the Costumer's Quarterly shall be set at \$20 per chapter, per year. Chapters will receive a single Master copy of each issue on computer disk, and shall print and distribute copies from that Master. Chapters shall be responsible for all cost of reproduction and distribution, and may set such subscription fees as they see fit. The annual subscription fee for each chapter shall be sent to the Treasurer. The corporation Treasurer shall remit the Costumer's Quarterly subscription fees to the editors as expenses are incurred.

The President is directed to designate the New York-New Jersey Costumer's Guild as a chapter as the editor of the Costumer's Quarterly.

Motion Two (aka The Canadian Motion)

to amend the language of Standing Rule 7 so that, in the three places where the wording says "Chapters outside North America", the wording be revised to "Chapters outside the United States". It will also strike the phrase "and \$10.00 US per year for members with mailing addresses in North America outside the USA."

Discussion on the Quarterly, 15 minute limit, 30 seconds per person:

Points raised included:

Paper cost was not mentioned in reasons for subscription increase.

Tabloid (Newspaper) format should be considered.

Electronic format proposed because of distribution problems. Hard copy could be supplied, too for chapters who don't have access to computers for the publication. Several computer formats would be available.

Probable that all machines/ chapters can't handle illustrations on disk or have the amount of memory needed.

Would require 13 publishers (who have the time and computer capacity) to find printers, handle distribution, collect and pay the money. It is hard enough to find one person, let alone one per chapter.

Would have inconsistent Quality.

Chapters already have their own newsletters to deal with.

Consistent quality publication is needed to speak for the organization, this wouldn't be one.

Probably would not solve delay problem.

\$20 limit questioned as unlikely to cover expenses.

Sick pups claim they can do it at this cost.

Different sized chapters end up with very different financial burdens.

Central person or people in charge really needed.

Canadian Chapter will be willing to undertake distribution in Canada, whether or not the NY/NJ proposal goes through.

We can go on to the electronic formats that are with the times, or stay behind the times.

Whatever we decide about the electronic format, we need to deal with the frustration of the members who are not getting the publication they are supposed to be getting.

According to the Treasurers Report, the estimates we have on the printing and shipping, and CGW's generosity we have enough to pay for the issues we now have, but we do not know whether ongoing dues can cover more *Quarterly*'s.

We can have a *Quarterly* that works as it did in the past, if we, as chapters support it and the new editor. Instead of local distribution, we can send or collect articles.

Rational of proposal is that the Guild is an organization of Chapters. The proposal emphasizes the chapters, rather than the central Organization.

Cost of printing for a small chapter would be very high. Cost per issue is much lower done in one central printing.

Some local chapters have trouble getting just their Newsletters out.

We would lose bulk mailing cost break.

Motion would not effect back issues.

UK has different electronic systems.

Electronic Sophistication is not universal. This is not the time.

Moved by Ken Warren, and seconded by Byron Connell to bring the NY/NJ Electronic distribution motion to the floor.

Moved by Byron Connell, and seconded by Ken Warren

to table the motion to the next meeting

Vote tally: 25 for, 123 opposed, 1 abstention

Motion fails, the electronic distribution motion is not tabled.

Moved by Gary Anderson and seconded by Brenna Sharp to call the Question Question called

Motion fails

The New York-New Jersey Chapter withdraws the motion to appoint it as editor.

This leaves the *Quarterly* as currently constituted. The incoming President will have to appoint a new editor, due to Cat's resignation.

Moved by Janet Wilson-Anderson and seconded by Kate Morgenstern

to amend the language of Standing Rule 7 so that, in the three places where the wording says "Chapters outside North America", the wording be revised to "Chapters outside the United States". It will also strike the phrase "and \$10.00 US per year for members with mailing addresses in North America outside the USA."

Discussion:

The problems of *Quarterly* cost with individuals, who are members of domestic chapters, but live in other countries is not addressed herein. This will be taken up by the committee reviewing the Standing rules.

Motion Passed

13. Other New Business

Further Costumer's Quarterly discussions.

After the back issues are mailed, is there any more money to continue? And how do we establish good faith with the membership?

Moved by Betsy Marks, and seconded by Bruce Briant:

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Discussion:

It has been extremely difficult to justify paying for membership in the ICG to people who have been members for two years or less, because they have seen nothing from the ICG. This has been a problem since incorporation; there has not been a single year where all four issues have been delivered.

If we continue to allow the *Quarterly* to be optional, we have no method of communication and we have, as a result, no organization. If the cost is frozen, everyone should be willing to pay the cost they are acknowledging.

GBACG still has people sending the \$8, even though it is optional. It needs to prove itself. We can cut down the pages or the cover art to keep it within the \$8.

We can change it so that the fee includes the Quarterly, but as long as the Quarterly is sold separately, we can't do that.

The language of the Standing rules is unclear. When the Standing rules were written, it was assumed that the *Quarterly* was part of the membership.

No one wants to send money for what they are not receiving. This motion gives an ultimatum. But, "or else", what?

If we get the back issues out, and establish good faith, we do not have a problem, and we may not have an argument.

The problem is credibility all up and down the line. Can we tie in to this motion that the back issues must be sent within 60 days? And a guarantee of the next *Quarterly* within 120 days after that.

There are too many issues tied to one motion.

Can we use articles transcribed word for word from Newspapers, with credit given?

This violates copyright laws.

Moved by Janet Wilson-Anderson and seconded by Jana Keeler:

to table this motion to the next annual meeting.

The issue is one of credibility, and Janet has seen the masters for the Quarterlys, so she is optimistic. It had damn better well be fixed.

There will be a discussion on the Quarterly scheduled at a time other than the ICG meeting at the next convention.

Motion passed; The motion is tabled until the next annual meeting.

Betsy (as Con chair for CC15) requests the officers contact her before the convention to schedule the discussion.

14. Children and costuming

There has been concern stated about how Children do or do not fit in the Masquerade structure. Different things have been tried with varying degrees of success. Committee requested to study Children and Masquerades, and Children at Costume Cons, in general.

Committee: Dana MacDermott chair, Richard Stephens, Carl Mami, Bridget Landry, and Sandra Manning.

15. Replacement of Standing Rule 4.

Moved by Janet Wilson-Anderson and seconded by Byron Connell:

to delete current Standing Rule 4, and replace it with:

Each Chapter shall provide a list of its officers' names, addresses, telephone numbers and electronic addresses, if available, to the Corporation Treasurer or his or her delegate within 30 days after the Annual Meeting, and shall

indicate which officer is the chapter's delegate to the Board of Directors of the corporation (it shall be assumed to be the President if no other member is designated). The Corporation Treasurer or his or her delegate shall send a list of the names, addresses, telephone numbers and electronic addresses, if available of the officers of the ICG and other members of the Board of Directors, plus that of the Parliamentarian and Costumer's Quarterly Editor to all members on that list. The Corporation Treasurer or his or her delegate may also call for an updated list of chapter officers 30 days prior to any other meeting called by the Board.

Discussion:

Can we get lists of critical addresses to the membership? Needs to be a way for the individual member to go to the top, if they feel it is necessary.

Joy will maintain a list, and make it available in the Quarterly. There will be a monthly Presidents message sent out via e mail. If you don't have e mail, you can get it from your Board of Directors member. You can sign up to be on the list for receiving the monthly message.

If the contact list is printed in the Quarterly, what about the people who do not get the Quarterly?

That is a problem. But it is their choice not to get the Quarterly. Motion passed.

16. Web Page

We have a volunteer to create a Web page: Sandra Manning.

We may have someone who will donate the page available to them from their Internet provider. There will be no cost to the Guild.

The Web page may be on line before the next meeting, and the information disseminated. There will be a report at the next meeting.

The GBACG will reference the ICG's Web page on theirs.

17. Written Copies of Motions

Moved by Ken Warren and seconded by Toni Lay

It shall be the responsibility of the President or his/her designated representative to provide 50 copies of any business items received 15 days in advance of the annual meeting to the meeting. Those bringing items not on the preliminary agenda to the meeting are requested to provide 50 copies of those items.

We need to have these so that members can follow what is going on at the meetings. Motion passed

18. Election of new officers

The candidates for office are:

Joy Day (Beyond Reality Costumer's Guild), President;

Wendy Purcell (Australian Costumers' Guild), Vice President;

Gary Anderson (Costumer's Guild West), Treasurer,

Richard Stephens (Beyond Reality Costumer's Guild), Recording Secretary;

Jana Keeler (Greater Bay Area Costumer's Guild), Corresponding Secretary.

Elected by Acclimation

19. Costume Con 17 bid by the Greater Philadelphia Costumer's Guild.

The specific dates for the convention (1999) have not yet been set. Baptist Town has no interest.

The bid for Costume Con 17 was awarded to Greater Philadelphia Costumer's Guild.

20. Joy Day, the incoming ICG President, restated her interest in members signing up for her e-mail list for the monthly President's Message. She expects Great things and lots of Action strong on Communication in the upcoming year.

21. Motion to adjourn,

Moved and seconded simultaneously by large numbers of shouting members.

Motion Passed.

The Meeting was adjourned at 1:18

A Board of Directors Meeting was convened at 1:18.

Moved by Janet Wilson-Anderson and seconded by Betsy Marks:

...to ratify the results of the election.

Motion passed by acclimation.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:19.