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Proposals due by: November 1, 2017

Handspun socks have been wildly popular since spinners looked down and realized their feet were darned cold. The Winter 2018 issue of *PLY* is about these everyday items, these seemingly simple structures. But they're not simple, are they? There are as many ways to make them different as there are feet to put them on. We want this issue to talk about, investigate, experiment with, explain, and question as many as possible. We want to start with **construction** and look at singles yarns, 2-ply, 3-ply, cables, chain ply, etc. Which is **better**, which **lasts longer**, which **feels better** on your tootsies? People say sock yarns need **more twist** – do they really? And if so, more singles twist or more ply twist? **How soft** do socks really need to be? **How fine** do they really need to be? And how do you spin that fine comfortably if it's not your normal spin?

How can we make socks more **long-lasting**, and when they do wear out, what can you do? Tips and tricks and the quickest, easiest way to **re-toe**, **re-heel**, or **re-foot** a sock. What **breeds** are best for socks? What breeds bring different things to socks? What about **luxury** socks? **Non-wool** socks? Maybe you like linen, cotton socks. Why and how do you deal with the **elasticity** issue?

There are so many questions! Can sock yarn be made out of **thick yarn**? What's the thickest yarn you can spin for a sock and have it be manageable and wearable? Do you really need to add **nylon**? What about **silk** or **mohair** instead? What about spinning sock yarn with **color** in mind?

Send your ideas, proposals, projects, and design proposals to jacey@plymagazine.com by **November 1, 2017**, and we'll get back to you with a yes or no in December! Final articles and projects due by May, 15, 2018.

Thanks,

Jacey



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