



## CLWYD WEB March 2013

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### Meetings and Events

<p><b>March 16<sup>th</sup></b></p>	<p><b>Wet felting – background for guild banner</b> Gill is bringing two large plastic sheets that we can use to cover the tables. If anyone has some nice large sheets of bubble wrap, can they bring them along. We'll also need sponges, netting some large old towels and any of the other things that might be useful for felting a big piece. If the weather is Ok, maybe we can roll it up and trundle it round the car park - you might like to watch this :-) <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gJ0uojUHYdA">http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gJ0uojUHYdA</a> <b>Could all crocheted letters be brought to March meeting to lay out for banner measurement/ design please?</b></p>
<p><b>March 21<sup>st</sup> 10am – 4pm</b></p>	<p><b>Lleyn Guild</b> have an open meeting and welcome everyone with an interest in fibre and fluff and fabulousness who wants to come. So hold on for the details, and start saving <i>now</i>. <b>WINGHAM WOOLS SAMPLING DAY</b> <b>PENYGROES MEMORIAL HALL, LL54 6NG</b> £3.50, including tea and coffee Spinners, bring your wheels to make the most of the sampling opportunities; there's plenty of room. Bring a picnic lunch and stay all day; bring your queries and all your woolly questions...</p>
<p><b>Apr 20<sup>th</sup></b></p>	<p><b>Show &amp; tell</b></p>
<p><b>Apr 14th 10-4</b></p>	<p><b>Abergele Guild Friendship Day</b> We would like to welcome you to our Friendship Day at the Memorial Hall, Llanfair Talhaiarn, Nr. Abergele. Apart from a chance to spin, weave, and inkle, we are glad to welcome back Annie and Kath's Mam a Mi dyed yarns. If you have small knitting/spinning/weaving items for a good will sale table, they would be welcome. Funds from this will go towards a charity. There will be a £2 charge towards the rental of the hall.</p>

#### Notices:

##### **8" Squares for Summer All Wales Exhibition.**

Here are a list of recommended Welsh breeds. If anyone has any fleece from one of these that they'd be willing to share, perhaps you could bring it along or let us know.

Badger Faced Welsh Mountain

Baleen Welsh Mountain

Bedlam Speckled Face

Black Welsh Mountain

Brecknockshire Hill Cheviot

Kerry Hill

Llanwenog

Lleyn

Welsh Mountain

Bowater

Any method can be used- knitting, weaving, crochet, felting, tapestry. Any others?

**Someone left a cheese knife** after the Xmas buffet. You can collect it at the meeting!

**If you have any unwanted Xmas pressies for the raffle** please bring them for Isabelle (added up over the year, this brings in enough to help fund a workshop).

**We need ideas for the All Wales challenge.** This year's theme is seasons. (Which is better than Ragwort!) Any requests/ideas for next year's calendar?

**Gill has two Guild calendars** left if anyone has ordered one and not had it. I think they were £5 each.

## **The Back Page**

**Myra Ryan (an ex-member) is now doing a Fine Arts degree she has written to let me know of her classes' First Year Studio Exhibition at Glyndwr**

"We are having our first exhibition next week Mon - Thurs 10 - 8 and it would be lovely to see you. We have a conference all week from 10-4 but if you ring the bell at the main entrance to the Art College on Regent Street by the lights the ladies in the Art shop are expecting visitors and will let you in.

**Some of you may have spotted a small piece that I wrote in the current Journal ... have a look in the Readers' Showcase.**

**Glastonbury Wool Festival** (24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> August 2013)

are inviting guilds to contribute to a Fashion Show with items and/or as models

The fashion show is held at the Rural Life Museum on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> August at 2pm.

"This is a real opportunity for Guilds to show their skills and the range of possibilities using British wool and Alpaca to make fashion garments and accessories. We are not looking for the conventional articles that would normally grace a catwalk. We want all kinds of items that show the full range of talents we see in Guilds. Items could be knitted, crocheted, woven or felted. The wool can be hand spun or commercially produced as long as the processing is in the UK. We need a mix of articles so jackets, sweaters, skirts, dresses, wraps, hats, handbags, gloves and scarves are all possibilities. This year we would like to offer the audience the opportunity to purchase or place orders, for items from the show. There is no requirement for people to put items up for sale, simply an opportunity if anyone did want to sell their creative output. A percentage (20%) would be taken at the sale, to go to the sheep dog charities."

More details from Jackie, Debbie and Julie

Finally - the occasional astro item! Your chance to see a real live naked eye comet.

**Comet Panstarrs** should be visible this week (if it stops snowing). The southern hemisphere has already had a good look at it, but It will be around for a few weeks. Here, our earliest sight of Comet PANSTARRS may come on 12 March when it is 6° above and 6° to the left of the very slender Moon in the West, forty minutes after sunset. Binoculars and a clear dark western horizon are needed to see either of them in the bright twilight but the prospects are improving as the comet climbs and is visible longer each night in a darkening sky. It lies 7° below and right of the more obvious earthlit Moon on the 13th. (6° is about the width of your palm held at arms length). **Note be careful with binoculars and DON'T use them until all trace of the sun has gone**). If you miss this one there's another comet going to be along in November. AT one point it was predicted to bright enough to be seen in daylight, but they're backpedalling on this a bit now.

As you can see the newsletter's a bit thin this month, so if you have any contributions for April, please send them along ... book reviews, finished items (or not finished items), recipes, wanted or for sale ..... I'll take anything! Perhaps someone could do a review of the next meeting so that we can document the progress of the Guild Banner.

**Please contact Chris  
if you have anything of interest for the newsletter**