



CLWYD WEB

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Meetings and Events 2014 Programme

March 12 th	Ty Mawr Spinning Group Meeting
March 15 th	<p>Freeform knitting and crochet workshop. With the free form workshop, I normally suggest members collect beforehand, either 1 a number of different shades of the same yarn Or 2 a number of yarns all of a similar colour. For those that want to use handspun, if they could make some small skeins aiming for one of those guidelines. Could all members wishing to take part bring knitting needles and crochet hooks suitable for their yarn. I can bring a few cones of yarn for those that haven't any and some needles and hooks. There will also be yarn packs for sale. Workshops with an external tutor are currently £10 to members and must be booked. If there are places spare, we welcome visitors to these workshops at a fee of £15. There is no extra charge for material for this workshop</p>
Apr 12 th	<p>Note second Saturday because of Easter Beginners willow work with Chris. Small baskets, round or framed. Materials will be provided, but if have some interesting garden materials that might weave please bring them along. You'll need "rods" of willow or perhaps dogwood, which are around 3ft long but no thicker than a pencil. If you can wrap them around your wrist, they should be usable. Anything from a few sticks to add colour to a few dozen will be welcome ... you don't need to bring the whole garden ☺. Cut them a week or even 2 or 3 weeks before the meeting and leave them in the shade and out of the weather to get a bit leathery, but not dry.</p>
April 9 th	Ty Mawr Spinning Group Meeting
May 3 rd from 11am to 4pm.	<p>Carol and Pete Leonard are hosting a wheel and/or spindle spinning workshop at Alston Hall College, Longridge, near Preston, Lancs - http://www.alstonhall.com/courses/category.php?id=5492. All enquiries and bookings should be made through the college (http://www.alstonhall.com) "Learn To Spin" is the college's idea for a title, as they are keen to attract new people to the craft. However, because there are two of us, we can easily cope with people who want to refresh their spinning skills, maybe learn a new trick or two or just spend the day spinning. No equipment is required, though you are welcome to bring your own wheel, spindles and the fibre project on which you are working. We'll have a wheel or two and numerous spindles for you to try and a range of fibres to spin, for which there will be a small charge. We get a great deal of pleasure from spinning and would like others to do the same. There's a little bit more information about us on our web site at http://spindlers2.com/index.htm</p>
May 17 th	Inkle /backstrap / marudai weaving
May 29 th	Ty Mawr Shearing day, Thursday 29th May from 11am

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Some freeform knitting and crochet ideas suggested by Kate can be found at:

<http://www.knotjustknitting.com/freeform.html>

and

<http://prudencemapstone.blogspot.co.uk/>

Or here's an interesting example for sale on ETSY at

<http://www.etsy.com/uk/listing/85191466/scarf-with-felt-flowers-freeform-crochet?ref=related-3>

June McLaughlin has started a new Spinning Group which meets at Ty Mawr Country Park once a month on 2nd Wednesday of the month. Everyone is welcome.

Gill writes:

I went to **Gwynedd Friendship Day** with Betty, Yvonne, Isabelle and Val (who goes to Abergele Guild). It was good to see Claire there, too. It was quite crowded, they had a good turnout. There was a lovely stall selling coloured fibre, Nunoco. There was also a table of items that their Guild wanted to get rid of, giving 10% to Guild funds. A good idea we thought. Of course I couldn't resist the fibre, buying three packs of a rainbow pack of merino. Lovely. Not sure what it's going to become yet!

(Nunoco is on Facebook and Etsy <http://www.etsy.com/uk/shop/nunoco>)

Tea, coffee and biscuits available, but we ask for a donation in aid of cancer charities. (Please remember – these aren't free!)

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