



CLWYD WEB

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Meetings and Events Programme

Oct 21 st	General Meeting. Gill will report back from the All Wales at Llanidloes, and Yvonne is bringing along the Guild Challenge banner (and any items donated for the display.)
Nov 18 th	AGM and Christmas Lunch (and challenge – winter warmers)
Nov 27 th – 30 th	Jason Collinwood Rug weaving workshop – Plain Weave. Fiona Nisbet has organized this and there are a few places left. It is being held in Caroline Oakes' house nr. Wem in Shropshire and will cost approximately £200. You'll need a 4 shaft table loom and you might get away with just 2 shafts for this! (40cm should just about be wide enough). I can really recommend this workshop, please contact Fiona directly ASAP if you're interested. www.shropshireweavers.co.uk
Dec 9 th	Get Away from Christmas (Note 2nd Saturday)

We meet at the Llysfasi Campus of Coleg Cambria, which is on the Ruthin/Wrexham road. Our meeting starts at 10am and we need to leave by 4pm. Visitors are welcome, at a charge of £3 for the day. Tea and coffee is provided, bring your own lunch.

Annual membership is only £18! Please remember to park in the car park to the left of the entrance, though we can use the area by the building to drop off and collect

We demo'ed at a final show this year (new to us).

Lorna (and Albert), Rosie, Trevor and Sandra (with a quick drop in from Sylvia) attended the **Ruthin Threshing Day**. I had comments from several people, here's Lorna's:

You hoped for a word from me to let you know how the day has gone. Suffice it to say that it worked out quite well really. There were five of us - Sandra, Rosie, Trevor and yours truly and Albert. We were shown to a wide corridor at the glass side of the canteen and it was suggested that this may encourage people to look and then take a visit to us after they had eaten or whatever. In point of fact the corridor was bounded by the ladies on one side and the gents and disabled on the other, so the great majority of people needed to pass us anyway - as Albert commented (out loudly!) some came by three or four times. There were a lot of people and all sorts of machines outside which generated a lot of interest among the men. The rain held off until after 3.00 pm after which the whole affair came to a very quick end with departure of tractors etc. in no time at all. There were not many junior visitors because let's face it, the day was really of particular interest to men anyway, but people came and went past us and we had two offers of spinning wheels and these were referred to Chris via internet, plus a request to attend next Whit at a village - Llan something - near Bala.

The only downside was that Sandra commented in the unpleasant diesel fumes from all the machinery. Maybe a better position can be found if we attend at Ruthin again.

A reminder..... Have you completed something for this year's annual challenge yet? Winters Wamers is the theme, scarfs, hats, gloves, socks, this should be a doddle!

The Back Page

Looks like the back page is all Association news this month.

I have attached the various documents that I've sent to email readers and will bring paper copies along to the meeting.

Soo Coates:

The Association has recently received a number of enquiries about the WIP and access to the AGWSD Library list. I thought it might help if I sent a Login reminder handout so that members can find the information quickly. Please feel free to distribute the handout to members in your guild.

Janet Maher:

The Foundation Certificate in Spinning has been running for just over a year. The number of students doing this certificate has grown and we are looking for support with mentoring. I am writing to ask you to circulate this request to your Guild members.

We are looking for mentors for the Foundation Certificate in Spinning. At any one time there will be no more than 4/5 students in a region that will need support. Mentoring will be done largely on the phone and by email. If face-to face meetings are necessary, travel expenses will be paid. Mentors would normally have completed the Certificate of Achievement or the Foundation Certificate. Experience with woollen and worsted spinning is essential, especially with English long draw, which is the skill where most students request guidance. The time demands are not great and you would be making a huge difference to people at early stages in their spinning career.

We would like more mentors all around the UK but have pressing need in Scotland, the North of England and Eastern Counties of England. If you can offer support or know someone who can, please contact me:

foundationspin@wsd.org.uk Foundation Certificate Coordinator

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

Please contact The webpage editor if you have anything of interest for the newsletter