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# CLWYD WEB

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**September 20<sup>th</sup>.** Shetland knitting with Angela Hawkins. Forget everything that I said in the last newsletter! – This is a talk with samples - I know we have a lot of knitters in the guild and this sounds very interesting. I hope it will get us all set up with new projects after the summer break!

**October 18<sup>th</sup>.** Felting Workshop.

Sadly, Barbara Roberts died on the 27<sup>th</sup> August.

Myra writes: "I've known Barbara for nearly 19 years, through the Clwyd Guild. We were amongst the founder members. Barbara has been one of our few weavers and this was always her first love. She wove some very fine cloth and I particularly remember her piece for the Liverpool National exhibition. We also shared a love of travel and gardening and have spent many meetings swapping and sharing our experiences. Barbara has supported the guild from its inception and has been a very regular attendee of both Monday and Saturday meetings and she will be missed by her many friends. Seven members of the guild attended her funeral (plus a former member, Peg). Her family were very moved to see us all there and I know it meant a lot to them. I wrote a card to the family and enclosed a donation on all your behalf."

## All-Wales Event.

Can everyone please bring their **GREEN's** to September's meeting? We need green skeins, fleece, samplers or pieces for an A1 board plus anything (any colour) that you put in the exhibition at Afonwen (or have made since) that would be suitable for an 8'x 8' board. These are for the All Wales event on the 4th October. Rosemary and Myra will be going down on the Friday afternoon to set up.

If people are interested in going to the event on Saturday we can try and organise a car share at the meeting.

**Flints Green Fair** on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> Sept. would like demonstrators. Times are 10.00am - 4.00pm at the Welsh College of Horticulture – contact Lynn if you can help.

## Knitting Needles Reunited.

In one of the Hitchhikers Guide to the Galaxy books, the author relates how biro's (and probably coat hangers and single socks) find their way through wormholes in space to far places. I think knitting needles do the same thing! Myra suggests that if anyone has unmatched knitting needles, they bring them along in the hope of making some pairs. (*The Ed. thinks she's a closet romantic* ☺).

## Demonstrating expenses

If you have done any demonstrating for the guild this summer, the guild will contribute to your travelling expenses. Please return details to Helen by mid-October at the latest.

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**Joyce writes:** “I went today with Mum to Barbara's house to meet her sister to see what we could help 'dispose of'. Mum has taken patchwork stuffs for the patchwork group and I have listed the major items for the newsletter to try and sell. There is also a huge amount of wool and Cynthia is adamant that nobody in the family knits, so I shall bring it along to the next meeting.”

**If anyone is interested in the following items, please contact Joyce. She can bring some of the smaller items to the meeting.**

**Inkle loom**

**Table loom**

**Floor loom**

**Tassel maker**

**Tapestry frame**

**Simple loom**

### ***The Back Page***

*I received an e-mail last month from Fletcher (aged 14) in Australia. He wrote: “We are students in a competition in Australia where we have to make six cotton wool balls into a rope. We have a couple of weeks to make a spinning wheel. Have you got simple plans so that we can make something from very basic materials.” The rope was to be a metre long and able to lift a weight of 5 kilos (~11lb). So that's the Ed's challenge for this month. I have a bag of cotton wool balls (organic) that I'll be happy to share. I think 5 kilos is possible but can we do better. (I have to say that cotton wool balls are a real pain to spin.)*

