



CLWYD WEB

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<p>September 17th At Llysfasi</p> <p>Spinning Techniques</p>	<p>Fine and fancy spinning with Janet and Joyce. Spinning soft and lofty (with beads), Jane and spindle spindling with Chris.</p> <p>Please bring any interesting/fancy yarns that you have spun as a bit of a show and tell at the spinning workshop.</p> <p>We will be putting bags of fibre together that people can purchase for a small sum to enable them to have a go at everything (like Priscilla Lowry did).</p> <p>If you want to bring your own fibre – merino tops plus kid mohair locks or Wensleydale locks and a small reel of very fine mercerised cotton/crochet cotton would be useful. Please bring a dog comb if you have one.</p>
<p>October 15th At Llanbedr DC Village Hall</p> <p>Visit from the Wool Board</p>	<p>Sorry we couldn't get this booked for September! This was great fun last time – a van load of fleeces representing the different fleece grades (all for sale at the end) plus explanations of what makes a top quality fleece in each grade (Hint: IT HAS TO BE WHITE!)</p>
<p>November 20th At Llysfasi</p> <p>AGM and meal</p>	<p>Your chance to hear the plans for next years meetings and workshops. Show and tell for this year's Alpaca Challenge. Come along to Spin, knit, eat, chat and perhaps join the committee for next year!</p>

NEWS

At Homes

This year May D'Arcy and Lynne Blanchard were kind enough to host "At Homes". I hope everyone who went along had a Good day out – I haven't heard how they went.

Summer Shows

From Joyce –

Llanarmon was a cold and VERY WET DAY so only me went, luckily with my daughter and friend Steph which saved the day as they helped me to erect the gazebo where I sat in the middle and was able to spin!

Ruthin was well supported by Myra, Jane, Lorna, Betty and myself and we had a good day out. I have had a letter of thanks from the organiser Gill Buxbaum.

Kate, and Janet S and Sandra were spinning at **Cilcain** together with us and Mum and Sue joined in too (*and at least one more that I can remember – Ed!*) and we gained at least one new member from the Summer Shows.

Unfortunately (or not) the big Flint and Denbigh show didn't seem interested in a craft tent this year so we missed all the welsh cakes and cheese samples!

Clwyd Guild will also be represented by Chris at a craft demo at the National Trust's Biddulph Grange Gardens on Sept 18th though I don't expect it will bring in many new members!

Notices

Myra has had an invite to a talk with slides and lots of examples by Jim Gaffney on Turkish Kilims and carpets - its in aid of a turkish village charity , in Bishops Castle wed 28 sept 7.30 - 9.30. Contact Myra if interested.

Helen who met us at the Llanarmon show has half a dozen Southdown ewes which are sheared each year, and wonders whether any of our members would be interested in the fleece next year? They are supposedly a good breed for fleece. (*Ed: short, fine, very springy wool with lots of bounce*). (Bwlchgwyn)

Following the ad in the last months newsletter from a big commercial company for Blue Faced Leicester, Michael Berry contacted me to let me know that if anyone is after BFL (locally and at a lower price) they have a considerable amount waiting to be processed - also some Jacob. The BFL is £18.00 per kg, washed, de-haired and carded either to rovings or to felting batts, and the Jacob would be £16.00 per kg (both plus VAT).

The Back Page

Something intriguing that was in the papers a few weeks ago.

Quipus

<http://instruct1.cit.cornell.edu/research/quipu-ascher/>

<http://www.abc.net.au/science/news/stories/s1418372.htm>

Read all about them online!

Please Contact Chris if you have anything of interest for the newsletter.