



## Dorset Guild of Weavers, Spinners and Dyers

### Outside Events 2024

Please note: all events are subject to confirmation that they will be going ahead

- 27<sup>th</sup> May Sherborne Castle Country Fayre
- 2<sup>nd</sup> June Thomas Hardy Victorian Fayre
- 6<sup>th</sup>—7<sup>th</sup> July Chickerell Steam Fayre
- 21<sup>st</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup> July Nothe Fort Victorian Weekend
- 28<sup>th</sup> July Hengefest, Maumbury Rings
- 2<sup>nd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> August Dorset Arts & Crafts Association
- 22<sup>nd</sup> August Melplash Show, Bridport
- 7<sup>th</sup>—8<sup>th</sup> Sept Dorset County Show
- 14<sup>th</sup>—15<sup>th</sup> Sept Sturminster Newton Cheese Festival
- 14<sup>th</sup>—15<sup>th</sup> Sept Festival of Cultural Heritage, Corfe Castle

All meetings held at  
Holy Trinity Parish Hall, Sunninghill Preparatory School,  
Culliford Road North, Dorchester, DT1 1QG  
from 10.30am - 5.00pm

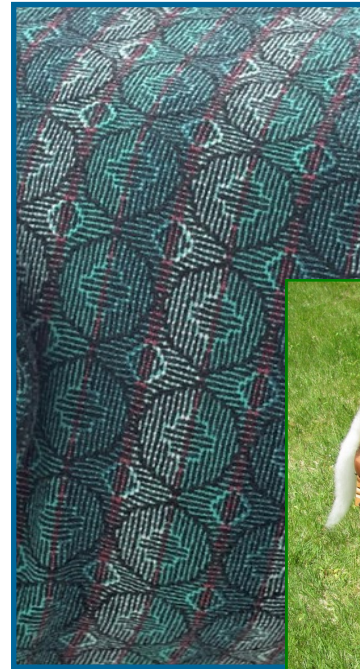
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### 2024 Programme



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## Dorset Guild of Weavers, Spinners and Dyers 2024 Programme

### 27<sup>th</sup> January : SKILLS DAY

Come & try out one of our Core Skills using various spinning, weaving & dyeing techniques, as well as some felting.

### 24<sup>th</sup> February : SPINNING WHEEL CLINIC (am) &

WARPING-UP DEMONSTRATION (all day) on our new Ashford Brooklyn 4 shaft table looms with David Herring & Josh

16<sup>th</sup> March : DYEING FOR SOCKS with Frances Fletcher (am) and "CREATING WITH SHIBORI" talk given by Annabel Wilson (pm) who will let you in on the process of creating with the Japanese art of Shibori to build designs and patterns on fabric with many examples of her work.

**Competition: Harold Woodrow Trophy** for any item involving our crafts - open to any member who has not previously won a Guild competition.

27-28<sup>th</sup> April : CRAFTING TOGETHER (am) & WEAVING NEW FROM OLD, MAKING RUGS talk given by Riitta Sinkkonen-Davies (pm)  
NEW FROM OLD RUG-MAKING WORKSHOP on 28th 10.00am—4.00pm  
£20.00 p/p 12 spaces

**Competitions: Norah Whittaker Hall Memorial Trophy** - For any loom woven article and **Anita Furzey Competition** for any tapestry woven article.

18<sup>th</sup> May: WEAVING WITH A PEG LOOM with Frances Fletcher and Co, (am)  
KUMIHIMO: GENTLE ART OF JAPANESE BRAIDMAKING talk given by Jacqui Carey (pm)

#### We are planning the following TRIPS & VISITS:

1st / 2nd June Trip to the Fibre Festival at Coldharbour Mill, Devon.

Visit to an Alpaca Farm near Bridport—date TBC

### 29–30<sup>th</sup> June : FLEECE DAY—Annual fleece sale (am)\*

Talk about FLEECE PREPARATION with Amanda Hannaford (pm)  
FLEECE PREPARATION WORKSHOP with Amanda Hannaford on 30th  
10.00am—4.00pm £20.00 p/p 12 spaces

**Competitions: Fortescue:** For (a) 25g skein of wool prepared and spun by hand from the fleece &/or (b) 25g skein of yarn spun from any commercially prepared fibre and **The Brenda Deakin Memorial Trophy:** For an item made from hand-spun yarn and presented accordingly.

27<sup>th</sup> July : CRAFTING TOGETHER (am) and 'SUSTAINABILITY IN TEXTILES' talk given by Teresinha Roberts (pm)

31<sup>st</sup> August : CRAFTING TOGETHER Informal meeting including coffee, cake & fundraising for charity

28<sup>th</sup> September : OPEN DAY—a day to show off our Core Skills and invite friends and interested parties.

26<sup>th</sup> October : THE GREAT WHEEL DEMONSTRATION AND WORKSHOP with Sarah Harriss (all day)

30<sup>th</sup> November : AGM at 11.00 & PRE-CHRISTMAS MEET-UP Bring and Share Lunch, National Conference & National Exhibition Reports

**Competition: Rendell Trophy** - for any garment or item involving one or more of the Core Skills made by a Guild member, modelled / displayed as part of a light-hearted fashion show.

**SALES TABLE** available at all our meetings apart from those marked \*  
We will also have a presence at several events, listed overleaf.

#### Dorset Guild of Weavers, Spinners & Dyers Committee:

**Chairperson:** Frances Fletcher

**Treasurer:** Margaret Eaglestone

**Membership Secretary:** Ros Bates

**Secretary:** Nicky Footer

**Equipment co-ordinator:** Gaye Morton

**Sales Table:** Sarah Rashley

**Events Co-ordinator:** Nicki Scott

**Equipment Maintenance:** Tim Parker

If you wish to contact a committee member, please do so by emailing  
dorsetguildwsd@gmail.com and your message will be passed on.