

Skills Day, January 2024

There was a really positive atmosphere around the hall for our January Skills Day. This was an opportunity for members to experience a new craft, taught and demonstrated by some of our experts in the field. On offer there were six different workshops. There was a well stocked Sales table with yarn, fleece, equipment including a loom and a large choice of craft magazines.



Everyone was eager to get started on their chosen workshops.



In the foyer, **Gaye** and **Nicki** mounted a wonderful display of members' work.

Briefly the workshops were:-

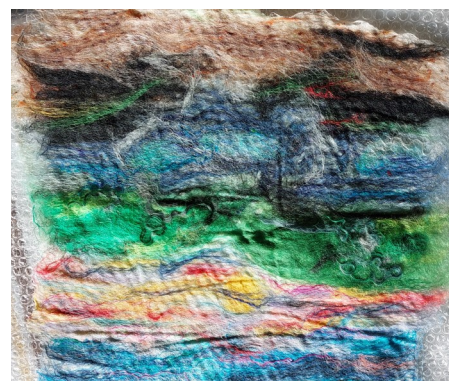
Spinning

This was an opportunity for those new to spinning to improve their techniques with **Kath** and **Karen**.



Felting

Sybil helped those at her workshop to create a small piece of wet felt which could be embellished into a picture.



Spinning on a Drop Spindle

Viviane showed her group how to master the art of spinning on a drop spindle, a skill going back thousands of years.



Peg Loom

Frances helped her group to weave a small circular mat.



Tapestry Weaving

Alison's group were helped to tapestry weave on an embroidery ring.



Creating the Colour Wheel

Nicky and Gaye helped their group to mix acid dyes to create a full colour wheel from the three primary colours, red, yellow and blue.



We also welcomed **Jess Morency**, a freelance writer, who is writing an article for the 'Dorset' magazine about the Guild. Look out for the edition later in the year.

All who attended were very complimentary about the day and it was deemed a great success.