**Devon Guild of Weavers spinners and dyers**

**PROGRAMME FOR 2019**

All **Guild meetings** are held at America Hall de la Rue Way Pinhoe EXETER EX4 8PX

**Talks** start at 1.30 pm

All **workshops** will be held in the Sunnylands Room, America Hall

**Workshop times** 10.00 am to 4.00 pm (Bring your own lunch, drinks provided)

*Programme can be subject to changes; please check the website for up-to-date information, or read the email round-up!*

**Saturday 19 January**

* Social Day

**Saturday 9 February**

* Katie Weston from Hilltop Cloud; she will bring her shop. [www.hilltopcloud.co.uk](http://www.hilltopcloud.co.uk)

**Sunday 10 February**

* *Workshop -* Spinning with Katie Weston (all abilities)

**Saturday 9 March**

* *Talk* from Sheilagh Robson about her experiences with natural dyeing
*(opportunity for beginners spindle spinning with Jae Burgin in morning)*

**Saturday 13 April**

* *Talk/practical* Spindle Spinning with Carol and Peter Leonard

**Sunday 14 April**

* *Workshop* Spindle Spinning with Carol and Peter (all abilities)

**Saturday 11 May**

* Guild Skills Day
* A fleece and spinning day, including selecting, skirting and sorting, preparation for spinning, carding, combing; setting up the spinning wheel, tensions, ratios; spinning straight from the fleece, rolags, batts, rovings; Navaho plying, etc

**Saturday 8 June**

* *Talk* from Jo Gosling ‘Mindfulness and Creativity - a Personal Journey’ (tapestry weaving)

**Saturday 13 July**

* Fleece and Fibre Day
* Again, we shall be welcoming our local farmers with good quality fleeces, including Jacob, Exmoor Horn Merino, Portland, Poll Dorset, alpaca, mohair etc. Lots of hand-dyed and blended tops from sheep, cashmere, angora, mohair and alpaca. Guests and visitors welcome. Food available

**Sunday 11 August**

Members Natural Dyeing Day

**Saturday 14 September**

* Talk from Debbie Tomkies [www.debbietomkies.co.uk](http://www.debbietomkies.co.uk)

**Sunday 15 September**

* *Workshop –* Synthetic dyeing with Debbie Tomkies

**Saturday 12 October**

* Skills Challenge Day – Judge Rev Andrew Johnson

**Sunday 13 October**

* *Workshop* – ‘Overshot’ Weaving Workshop with Andrew Johnson

**Saturday 9 November**

* 11 am AGM - an opportunity for you to have an input into decisions that may affect you and the Guild; if possible, please attend.
* followed by Members’ Sales Day . Visitors are welcome to arrive after 12 noon

**Saturday 14 December**

* Christmas Social Day followed by a shared lunch