

# What's where and when

**The following pages give visitors a feel for what's happening around Woolfest, especially talks, exhibitions and other events. From shearing demonstrations and photography to an insight into rare breeds, there should be something for everyone at the show.**

Details of Demonstrations are on page 11 and look out for impromptu music and dancing in The Square and area K throughout Woolfest.

## MAIN RING – Rare breed parades, shearing demonstrations and talks

This year's Woolfest includes a wide range of different fleece breed societies (see pages 20 and 21 for details of Livestock exhibitors). We're pleased to welcome long-time friend and supporter of Woolfest, Peter Titley to pass on his enthusiasm and knowledge of these animals during the Rare Breed Parades around the Mitchell's Main Ring.

There will also be shearing demonstrations by Paul Murray, insights into sheep farming and British wool with Andrea Meanwell and Debbie Zawinski and our fundraising auction in aid of Eden Valley Hospice with guest auctioneer, Adam Day.

## MAIN RING TIMETABLE

	Friday		Saturday
11.00am	Writer and spinner, Debbie Zawinski talks about her love affair with British wool	11.30am	Andrea Meanwell reads from her recent books and talks about her sheep farming life in the Howgills
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2.30pm	Rare Breeds Parade with Peter Titley, former President of RBST	2.30pm	Rare Breeds Parade with Peter Titley, former President of RBST
4.30pm	Sheep shearing demonstration of hand clipping with Paul Murray		

Peter is happy to advise anyone wanting to get involved in sheep husbandry with a rare breed (RBST stand at F122-123).

## SMALL RING – Hefted to Hill

Hefted To Hill explores the nous and the values that underpin family farming in the North Pennines. Working closely with seven farmers over the last year, they reveal how these values shape the cultural landscape and contribute to biodiversity. Northern Heartlands presents a Woolfest teaser of this project with an exhibition of work by artist/philosopher Ewan Allinson and Widedey photographers, Richard Glynn and Louise Taylor.

[www.northernheartlands.org](http://www.northernheartlands.org)

Northern Heartlands is one of sixteen Great Place Schemes in the UK funded by Heritage Lottery Fund and Arts Council England.

## TOP OF THE AISLES – Fundraising auction collection point

As many visitors will be aware, The Wool Clip lost a great friend last year when Pam Hall, a familiar face at Woolfest, died in mid-July. In her memory and to celebrate the things that she loved, we'll be holding a fundraising auction with a sheep theme on Saturday afternoon.

Please bring along your crafted creations to the collection point near The Square, browse other people's contributions and, if you can, place your bids in the Main Ring as we auction everyone's

work in aid of the Eden Valley Hospice, the amazing place that looked after Pam and her family in her last weeks.

## THE SQUARE AND NEARBY

Various popular elements of Woolfest such as Cumbrian ice cream, traditional music and clog dancing will be in The Square with seating and coffee.

Details of timings and other impromptu events will be displayed in The Square, at the information point in Aisle E and there'll also be details close by on the Information Desk in Aisle A near The Wool Clip.

Please note that the best routes to the toilet blocks and the refreshment Marquee are from The Square.

## GIANT KNIT AND SPIN IN

On Friday evening, the Giant Knit and Spin In will be in The Square (and possibly the Marquee too, weather and temperatures permitting). The Friday evening of Woolfest is a great opportunity



for wool and craft enthusiasts to get together and share their stories – not only spinners and knitters, but also feltmakers, crocheters, weavers et al are all welcome!

If you have never seen more than 100 spinning wheels and spinners in one place at one time, this will be quite an experience. Tickets for the Giant Knit and Spin In cost £3.50 and need to be booked in advance at the Information Desk. The Spin In runs from 6pm to 8pm.

If the weather promises to be fine all evening and people wish to be outside or in the Marquee, more tickets will be made available at the Information Desk during Friday and on the door.

Please note that, although only light refreshments are included in the ticket price, the Fairfield Restaurant and other food vendors will continue to sell food into the evening if they can.



## AISLE K

As in recent years, we've spread the seating and refreshments around the hall and there will be a fresh coffee point, seating and music in an area near the rear entrance, in Aisle K.

