

When our ancient ancestors first cast a net upon the waters or knelt down by a brook and 'tickled' an unsuspecting fish onto the shore or calculated refraction and speared a fish beneath the surf, so commenced man's interaction with the world of water and the symbiotic relationship between man and fish. The irony of us catching fish is that hundreds of millions of years ago we were in effect fish and that over time we have evolved into the creatures that we are today with the ability to catch our ancient ancestors. Isn't the amazing world that we live in a complex pattern of events, inter connections and circumstances. Anyway, so next time that you catch a fish, treat it with respect, as it could well be one of your relatives!!

I think that Summer has finally arrived as we are moving into a period of high pressure as the jet stream appears to have moved to the North and brought in some, very welcome, warmer air. Although, as you know, I am always very cautious when we talk about those hot summer days as we need to realize that these should be greeted with an understanding that we don't want them to get any hotter! With the election coming up I believe that we need to scrutinize every political party's environmental policy and put pressure on which ever party takes power to put the environment as its number one priority as what is the point of a great NHS or a world class educational system if we are on the edge of extinction!

The warmer weather has certainly made a difference to the fishing this week with some excellent dry fly fishing on the top of the water. Mr. Clive Shone and his boat partner had a great day catching 32 fish between them (all returned) on dry flies mostly around the Southern part of the lake. We are indeed very lucky as anglers at the Brenig as, when it is too sunny in some parts of the country, we very often have a good covering of cloud which enables the anglers to enjoy the warmer weather but still catch fish.

The rod average for this week stands at 4.8 fish per angler and continues to impress as in previous weeks. Mr. Holland sums up the general spirit of the fishing by writing, 'Good all day. Best year ever.' With the pressure on finances and balancing the books on many fisheries it is fantastic that we have such a good facility as the Brenig in North Wales and the support of our regular customers, which enables us to continue to provide this, is much appreciated.

The biggest fish this week was caught by Mr. Barron and weighed in at 6lbs 8oz. Mr. Graham Dawes and Mr. Steven Lyth both caught Rainbows weighing in at 5lbs. The biggest bag of the week for six fish caught was recorded by Mr. Richard Breaks and weighed in at 18lbs.

Top flies have been bibio hoppers, daddy long legs, cormorants, hoppers, sedges, buzzers, diawl bach and various blobs and boobies.

Hot spots for boats are Dam Wall, Tower Bay, and Hafod Lom, anglers have also been finding fish in the Brenig Arm.

Bank anglers have had success by the Visitors Centre Shore, Tower Bay, Sailing Club and Water Sports Bay.

The sun is out, the days are long, and it is the very best time of the year to enjoy the delights of a day's fishing at the Brenig. So, we look forward to seeing you all in the coming weeks for some excellent fishing at the Brenig.

The main gates will be shutting at 6.00pm this week and all boats need to be back on the jetty by 5.15pm.

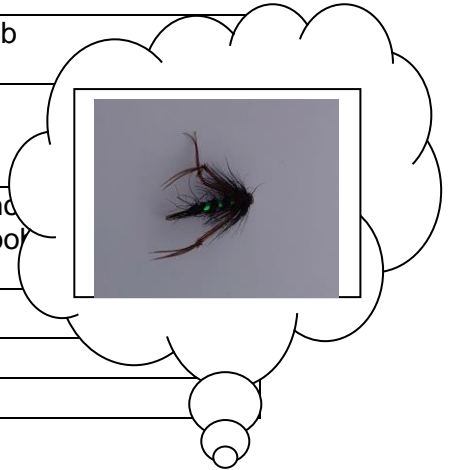
Tight Lines-

Jim Jenkins – Seasonal Ranger



Weeks Top Facts

Bank Fishing Hotspots	Visitors Centre Shore, Tower Bay, Sailing Club and Water Sports Bay.
Boat Fishing Hotspots	Dam Wall, Tower Bay, and Hafod Lom, anglers have also been finding fish in the Brenig Arm.
Top Flies	bibio hoppers, daddy long legs, cormorants, ho buzzers, diawl bach and various blobs and boobies
Top Bag	18lbs 0oz - Mr. Richard Breaks
Biggest Fish	6lbs 8oz - Mr. Barron.
Rod Average	4.8 fish per angler (Including fish returned).



Paul's Fly of the Week – Bibio Hoppers.

