

The cry of 'fake news' is frequently heard and seen now in the media, usually used by politicians when they want to undermine an opposition party or when they need to protect their own position or self-interests. But what is the truth and why, in this high-tech age is it even harder to find out the truth? It is almost counter intuitive that in an age where information is so readily available that the truth is getting harder to come by. Election results are questioned, facts that should be easily available to us are disputed, a truth becomes a lie, and a lie becomes a truth, information is twisted and turned to suit which ever point of view you have. The old saying was that in war the first casualty is the truth but I'm afraid that even in peace times it seems to me that truth is also becoming a casualty.

At least when we go fishing at Llyn Brenig we can put all this to one side and know that a fish is a fish, and that we can generally rely on the information that we are given. When you cross the threshold of the fishing shop and say to Paul, 'How's it been fishing' you can guarantee that when Paul says, 'It's been fishing really well and that they've been catching on daddy long legs', that Paul has got a load of Daddy Long Legs that he needs to sell. (Joking aside many anglers can testify that Paul's information is based on a wealth of knowledge and is very much seen as of invaluable help to the anglers that come to the Brenig particularly those who are in the early stages of their fishing experience.)

There are a number of fishing competitions taking place at Llyn Brenig over the coming weeks. On Sunday the 29th of June the Fast Mail heats Competition was held at Llyn Brenig. The practice days were plagued by strong winds but on the day of the competition the conditions were more favorable, and we saw some excellent bags caught with nearly every pair catching twelve fish. The first three pairs qualified for the next round and in first place was Alice Davies and Sam Edmonds who caught 12 fish by 11.47pm, in second place came Natan Midgley and Kieth Cadogan whilst Peter Patterson and Dave McKenna came in third place. Congratulations to all those who took part and to those that qualified.

The fish have been found on the top of the water over the last week with some excellent dry fly-fishing taking place. The weight of the fish is slightly down on previous weeks as the fish have just been graded and the weight will, over the coming weeks, be increasing. Mr. Stu Turley summed up the week well I think when he wrote, 'Hard work but great to be out.'

This Sunday we are looking forward to the return of the Welsh Senior Trials to the lake and hope for some calmer waters and some great fishing. On Sunday August 3rd the Llanilar Classic will be taking place.

A reminder that on Sunday September 28th Llyn Brenig will be holding its own fishing competition with the first prize standing at £500. The cost of entry is £60 per person which includes a permit, a boat and food after the competition has finished. You can either book a place online or pop into the fishing shop and book there.

Bank hot spots this week have been Nant Glyn Shore, Hafod Lom, Tower Bay, Visitors Centre Shore and the Sailing Club.

Boat anglers' hot spots have been the Quarry, Tower Bay, along the Dam Wall and the Nant Glyn Shore.

The top flies this week are Daddy Long Legs, Olive Damsel, Bibio Hopper, muddlers and various Blobs and Boobies.

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

This week's Top Facts

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Boat Fishing Hotspots	The Quarry, Tower Bay, along the Dam Wall and the Nant Glyn Shore.
Top Flies	Daddy Long Legs, Olive Damsel, Bibio Hopper, muddlers and various Blobs and Boobies.
Top Bag	
Biggest Fish	5 lbs – Mr. Simon Hayes.
Rod Average	3.5 fish per angler (Including fish returned).



Paul's Fly of the Week – CDC Bibio Hopper



Above: A reminder of the great fauna and flora found around Llyn Brenig. A small Birdsfoot trefoil sent in by Mr. Peter Reeve.

Left: Some great fish caught at Llyn Brenig this week.

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