

## LLYN BRENIG FISHING REPORT - Week Ending May 17th, 2026,

As you approach a milestone birthday you do start to reflect on the passing of time, decisions made that changed your life, some doubts, some regrets, although, maybe, as Frank said, too few to mention, friends made, friends lost, times of joy, times of sadness, triumph and disaster, hopes and fears, all rolled into those years.

There have been many anglers that have come to the Brenig over the years, all sharing that common thread, like a spider's web, that runs through our lives. The names of those that come no more spring to mind, either gone or age has taken its toll, life's cruel trick. However, there are many who still come, despite the aches and pains of ancient knees and embrace the challenges that age does bring. Fishing is a lifeline for many, as it provides, fresh air, exercise, companionship and mental stimulation and gives a purpose and meaning for many.

The cool breath of the Arctic seems to have been caressing our shores for the last few weeks. The nights have seemed chilly, and the days are never quite warm enough to shed that warm coat. The days are getting longer though; the morning chorus awakens before the baker bakes his bread and the sun is sinking well after the baby lays its head.

Since the days are getting longer and the evening rise is really a great time to fish, the Brenig site will be staying open until 8.00pm and fishing boats don't need to be back on the jetty until 7.30pm, starting from Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May. This will continue throughout the coming months.

The lake has been stocked today, Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May, with five hundred fish, half in the Ring of Stones and the other half between the Dam and the sailing Club jetty. The other 500 will be stocked later in the week.

It does promise a warmer week ahead which is good news as a gradual rise in temperature after a cold spell will increase the fish's metabolic rate and spark them into feeding. The colder winds and water temperature has kept the fish a little deep over the last week, although some Rainbows have been caught on the dry fly, but with the temperature rising it will bring the fish closer to the surface.

The average weight of the fish has increased over the last few weeks and there have been a number of Rainbows caught that have exceeded 3lbs. Mr. Graham Chadwick caught a 3lb 9oz Rainbow and Mr. Hefin Evans, Mr. David Roberts and Mr. Robert Goulding all caught Rainbows weighing in at 4lbs.

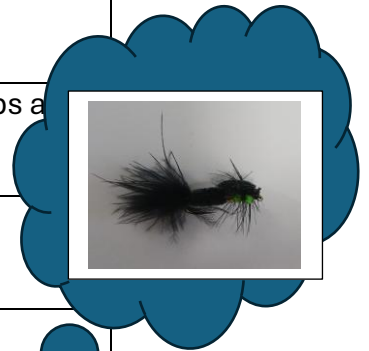
The top flies this week have been viva, damsel, montana, buzzers and various blobs and boobies. Top spots for boats and bank have been Visitors Centre, Tower Bay, Sailing Club and Watersports Bay.

The main gates will be shutting at 5.45pm this week and all boats need to be back on the jetty by 5.15pm

Tight Lines – Jim Jenkins – Seasonal Ranger

## THIS WEEKS TOP FACTS

Bank Fishing Hot Spots	Visitors Centre, Tower Bay. Sailing Club and Water sports Bay.
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Top Flies	viva, damsel, montana, buzzers and various blobs and boobies
Top Bag (6 fish caught)	15lbs 0oz - Mr. Robert Goulding
Biggest Fish	4 lbs 0 oz - Mr. Hefin Evans, Mr. David Roberts and Mr. Robert Goulding
Rod Average	4.0 fish per angler.



Paul's Fly of the Week. –  
Montana



Left and bottom:

A mixed bag of weather at the Breng this

