

When Aslan sang about 'this crazy world', they were bang on the money. We are going through some very crazy and worrying times at the moment with the world seemingly more and more divided and with little prospect of resolution. However, we must always try to see the positive side of life and be optimistic that life will get better because, as in the words of Dafydd Iwan, we, as a human race are, 'Yma O Hyd', (still here), and where there is life there is hope. I always think that the film about Salmon Fishing in the Yemen shows that we can have hope in the craziest situations and that something as bizarre as salmon fishing in the Yemen can bring communities together and offer solutions to problems that sometimes seem insurmountable.

The problem for Llyn Brenig anglers this week was once again the wind but as in life when confronted with overwhelming odds we battle through and find that despite the powerful elements we can overcome adversity and win through. Nick Geary, Terry Tarr and Dave Bowen certainly managed to overcome the odds yesterday, with wind, hail and rain all combining to try to deter any anglers, but, as in the words of Caesar, 'they came, they saw and they conquered' writing, 'I think we were the only 3 fishing today. Hail and wind but a fun day.'

Most anglers appear to be having fun days whilst, at the same time, overcoming the elements. Whatever the corporate point of view is, it is the comments from the punters that really count and when Mr. H. Jackson writes that 'this has been the best spring session in forty years!', then you have to say that the fishing is certainly going well. As Mr. B. Shields found the fish are very close into the bank and as the water levels are so high then there isn't any real need for waders. Mr. J. Owen seemed to have found the right method using a 'floating line, with a long leader, a weighted fly, (Montana with a green bead head,' culminating in a day of great sport!'

For some anglers it seemed as if the fish were practically jumping onto the bank and into the boats with many anglers going home having caught their six fish quota and their twelve fish catch and release quota. One of the biggest recorded fish this week was a 4lbs 8oz Rainbow caught by Mr. Swift which contributed to his 18lbs 4oz bag weight. But the biggest fish was recorded by Mr. Fred Salt and weighed in at 5lbs using a white snake.

We have a fantastic fishing competition coming up on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July starting at 9am and finishing with a weigh in at 4pm. This has been organized by Llyn Brenig and we would very much appreciate your participation in the event. The first prize of £1000 to the winner should certainly be a motivator to put your name down on the entry list. Details can be found on the Llyn Brenig website.

The top flies have once again been wet flies and lures, such as cormorants, buzzers, montana, olive damsel and cats' whiskers plus various blobs and boobies.

The windy conditions over the week have meant that the areas for fishing have been a bit restricted. The anglers have tended to keep to the sheltered areas away from the South Westerly winds. Therefore, both boat and bank anglers have found that the Brenig Arm and Sailing Club Bay have fished well as well as providing some calmer waters. The Dam Wall, Tower Bay and Visitors Centre shore have also proved productive for anglers.

We have appointed two new seasonal Rangers this year, Rob Lloyd and Heledd Davies. They have already made a great contribution to the Brenig team and I am sure that you will meet them as part of our commitment to check permits etc around the lake.

The main gates will be shutting at 5.00pm this week and all boats need to be back on the jetty by 4.15pm.

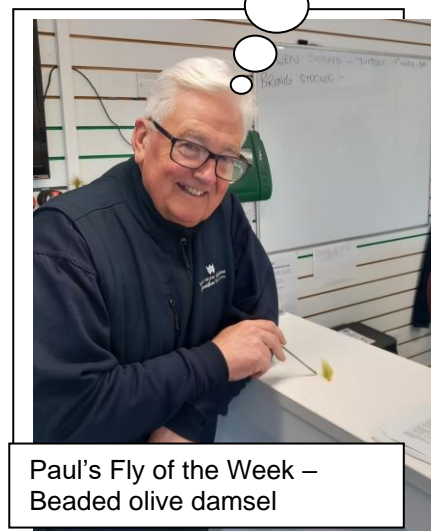
Tight Lines-

Jim Jenkins – Seasonal Ranger.



### Weeks Top Facts

Bank Fishing Hotspots	Brenig Arm, Sailing Club Bay Tower Bay, Visitors Centre.
Boat Fishing Hotspots	Tower Bay, Brenig Arm, Sailing Club Bay.
Top Flies	cormorants, buzzers, montana, olive damsel and cats' whiskers plus various blobs and boobies
Top Bag	18lbs 4oz - Mr. Swift
Biggest Fish	5 lbs. - Mr. Fred Salt
Rod Average	5.3 fish per angler (Including fish returned).



Paul's Fly of the Week –  
Beaded olive damsel



Above: Kyle Huthinson with a great days catch in the Brenig Arm  
Right: Julie Barlow from Marford with a nice Rainbow caught in the Brenig Arm.

