



Rhyl & St Asaph Angling Association

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Our waters will re-open for members to fish from 9.00 a.m. Wednesday 20th May 2020. This is subject to the current Welsh Government guidance during the Covid-19 pandemic.

Please Note: In Wales you may now drive to go fishing **within your local area, but until further notice our fellow anglers from England may not drive to fish in Wales.**

IMPORTANT: THE FOLLOWING BEATS ARE CLOSED TO FISHING UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

GLAN LLYN ("S" BENDS)

A SMALL SECTION OF GYPSY LANE (THE RIGHT BANK ADJ. SPRING GARDENS CARAVAN SITE)

NRW: Coronavirus (COVID-19) and fisheries (angling) advice. Updated 18th May 2020

Welsh Government has updated its guidance on recreational outings in Wales. This means there is currently a limited return to angling in Wales. Click on the links below to Wales.gov and NRW websites.

[Welsh Government allow angling in Wales as part of your daily exercise.](#)

You should:

- fish within your local area
- follow the latest [social distancing guidelines](#) and stay at home guidance
- have a valid [fishing rod licence](#)
- adhere to fisheries byelaws including the close season
- have permission from the fishery owner

You should not travel to Wales from England for the purpose of angling.

If you have any concerns over illegal fishing please report this to us on **0300 065 3000** so it can be investigated.

The stay-at-home message in Wales has NOT changed. You should stay at home with the following conditions: -

- only go outside for food, health reasons or work (but only if is not reasonably practicable to work from home)
- stay 2 metres (6ft) away from other people
- wash your hands as soon as you get home

Anyone can spread the virus. "Staying at home is the best way to protect yourself and others."

BOOKABLE BEATS:

GENERAL BOOKING RULES:

1. Members can only have ONE booking at any time. This is not a new rule, it's in the handbook.
2. **Members cannot make another booking until their current booking has been used (or cancelled).**
3. Please cancel a booking at the earliest opportunity if you are unable to fish.
4. **Members can only book for themselves and a fishing partner.**
5. One junior member is allowed per bookable beat. This does not count as a booking. **(Does not apply to Llyn Brenig).**
6. **Do not fish a bookable beat you have not booked. Just because anglers are not present does not mean the beat is available. Beats are often rested by members who are night fishing.**

Until Foxons shop re-opens, these are the booking arrangements:-

Telephone OR Text Chris Porteous on **07970 216533** between 9:00 a.m. and 7.00 p.m.

If no reply leave a message but send a text as well.

BOOKINGS WILL BE TAKEN FROM 9.00 a.m. Wednesday May 20th.

Do not fish until you have confirmation of booking from Chris.

The booking procedures apply to:

Bryn Polyn/Maes Elwy: 7 rods. 6am-6pm, 6pm-6am

Wern Ddu: 6 rods. 6am-6pm, 6pm-6am

Llangollen Maelor (River Dee): 2 rods

Llyn Brenig/Alwen: CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

Llyn Crud y Gwynt: 6 rods. 8am to official sunset time.

The hut at Llyn Crud y Gwynt will be locked to prevent any accidental C-19 transfer.

Catch returns for Llyn Crud y Gwynt must be sent by midnight on the day you fished as follows:-

On your smart phone or computer, go to our website www.rhylandstasaphanglers.co.uk and click on **MEMBERS PAGE**

The password is the current members **LOCK CODE** (which is on your membership card).

Enter your catch return in the text box e.g. *"4 rainbows, 3 blues. All returned"* You may add a photo as well.

Then click the **COMMENT** box.

The lake was stocked in April so the fish will be nicely settled in now. As requested we have included some BLUE TROUT and they must be returned along with any Brown Trout.

RULES: LLYN CRUD Y GWYNT – REVISED MAY 2020
1. The lake is Fly Only with barbless hooks.
2. All Blue Trout and Brown Trout are to be returned.
3. Only one fish may be retained [max of 2 in any week] and such fish should be 2lb (18") or less. The larger, (and therefore more expensive) fish must be returned to grow bigger. The maximum number of fish taken in a season must not exceed 10.
4. If you intend to keep a fish it must be the first takeable one you catch, i.e. 2lbs (18") or less, selective fishing is not allowed.
5. All visits and fish caught to be logged (e.g. Joe Smith - 6 Rainbows - 1 taken) on the website members page by midnight on the day you fished. Include nil returns.
6. Fishing allowed between 8.00am and sunset.
7. No keep nets to be used.
8. Wading is not permitted.
9. Junior members must be accompanied and supervised by an adult at all times.
10. Use of Booby or any similar method is not allowed.
11. Fish being returned to the lake should wherever possible be released in the water. Please make sure if you do have to handle a fish you wet your hands. Best practice for photographs is to take photo of fish in the net.
Non-observance of these rules shall be grounds for the expulsion or suspension of an offending member from membership of the Association. May 2020.

The Federation of Clwyd Angling Clubs



Guidelines for Recreational Angling during the Covid-19 Pandemic - May 17th 2020

It is the personal responsibility of each individual to ensure their own safety and that of others whilst enjoying their hobby of angling.

Getting To Your Fishing Venue:

Welsh Government allow angling in Wales as part of your daily exercise. If you get your exercise by angling, then provided you comply with the other requirements, this is allowed. The regulations state exercise should be done locally, which means people cannot drive to exercise outside their local area, and you must exercise alone or with a member of your household. You must not share a car with anyone not a member of your household.

Social distancing in accordance with Welsh Government guidelines must be maintained at all times when walking to and from your vehicle.

If access to your fishing requires handling gates, stiles etc, wear gloves if possible. Be aware of touching signs, benches no matter how small the perceived risk.

While You Are Fishing:

Angling is to be undertaken on a solitary basis (unless accompanied by a single person from the same household), maintaining social distancing from other anglers and members of the public at all times. Whilst fishing, no angler should be within 15 metres of any other angler on the same bank.

No sharing of fishing tackle or any other items (food, drink, camera, mobile phone etc).

We recommend that anglers carry a small bottle of hand sanitizer, and/or hand-wipes. Anti-bacterial wipes are ideal but any cleansing wipes are better than none. Irrespective of COVID-19, anglers should carry these anyway in view of the many water-borne diseases and pollution and always use wipes before taking food and drink.

Please note: There may be different guidelines issued by Welsh Water/Dŵr Cymru for Llyn Brenig/Alwen or other venues if and when reopened for fishing.

In General:

Sale of day tickets are temporarily suspended.

On-site shared facilities such as fishing huts, Portaloos etc. will remain locked.

Anyone displaying symptoms of COVID-19, or who shares a household with any individual displaying symptoms, should not go fishing and should continue to follow Welsh Government advice on isolation.

Access to waters controlled by other Clubs/Associations:- Please check before going to ensure you can comply with their guidelines and that any travel there is legal.

Be Sensible, Keep Safe but Keep Fishing!