

May Welsh Flying Event 2026

23-25th May

Bangor, North Wales

Thank you for expressing interest in this event. Please confirm by emailing Martin on :
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This really helps my planning - booking restaurants etc.



Provisional programme:

Friday 22nd:

Meet up for drinks and a meal. 1930 at Woodfired Shack, Bangor,
205 High Street, Bangor, LL57 1NY;
<https://www.woodfiredshack.com/>

Saturday 23rd:

All day flying outdoors

Evening meal - 1930 at '+39', Menai Bridge,
<https://www.plus39cafe.co.uk/>

Sunday 24th:

0900-1300 Indoor flying

Outdoor flying in the afternoon

Evening: meal out - TBC.

Monday 25th:

All day outdoor flying

Goodbye, see you at the next event.

Cost of event : £30 per person

Competitions:

Outdoor:

VPD and eVPD – CD Allan Patrick

FF scale flying realism only -FFS2 (rubber) and FFS3 (CO2/Electric) – CD Paul Rich

FF scale rubber precision – CD Paul Rich

P30 and Mini Vintage – CD Derek May

Indoor:

Flying only Peanut (and Pistachio) – CD- Paul Rich

Rafter Rodent – A new single design competition from Allan Patrick

Hangar Rat duration – CD Martin Pike

Hangar Rat duration rules:

1. Model built as projected plan – lightening of components allowed.
2. Free choice of covering and propeller.
3. Model must have a rat pilot – a 2D bust at least.
4. Flights are ROG only, timed until they come to **rest**. Rolling counts.
5. Best three - of five - official flights count. Attempt: <15 seconds.

Details of flying sites:

Outdoors:

The top left corner of Wales, as in Ivor the Engine.

The outdoor flying site is close to Mynydd Llandygai (spelt Mynydd Llandegai on some maps).

See: https://maps.app.goo.gl/nZUJmuY5via7omaD9?g_st=com.google.maps.preview.copy

This site is at national grid reference SH 6064 on OS leisure map OL17

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This large (1.5 x 1.5km) open access flying site is shown shaded on the image below. There are no trees and enough space to satisfy even duration flyers. The views towards Caernarfon and the Snowdonia range are great. There are no restrictions on the type of models flown, but there is no runway. I have a high pole (above the grass) for bungee launches.

There is limited parking space at this site, you may have to place boxes by the fence and park in a different lay-by. Sharing lifts is another possibility. Immediate access to the site is over a fence - or a long walk via a gate. See below for a picture of me crossing the fence - there is grip tape and step on both sides.

It is vital that you **bring your wellies**, as it is a wet upland bog. Retrievals can be hard work, so take your time. I do advise keeping an eye on where your model lands and walking directly towards it, I have spent many an hour walking past models lying behind cotton grass clumps. I now use a BMK tracker device. I use and recommend radio dethermalisers in larger models, to avoid over-flying the (minor) road. There is plenty of space north and east. Generally the wind is not from the east, towards the road, but we can launch from a different area if that is the case. We can fly until the sun drops so low that the site is in shadow.

Indoors:

Indoor flying is at **Canolfan Brailsford, Ffriddoedd Road, Bangor, Gwynedd, LL57 2EH.**

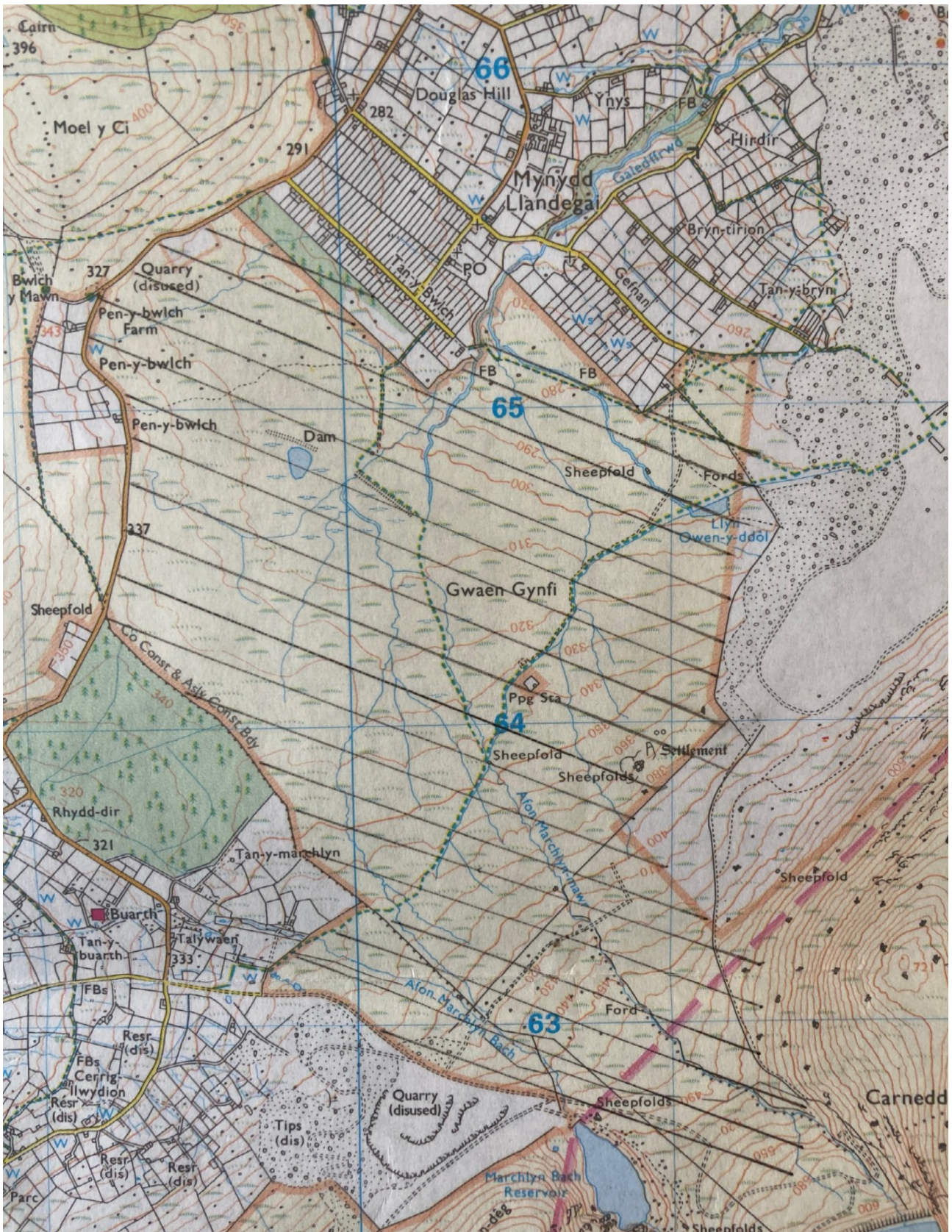
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This will be in Hall 1, approximately 20x25x9m in size. If you are flying really lightweight models, keep them away from the extraction fans above the gallery and door. I had a 'fly on the wind shield' encounter there!

I will have a roach pole. There will be chairs and tables.

There is a coffee and snack machine on site, but no cafe. There is a Morrisons (with cafe) nearby.



Map of outdoor flying site – hatched area.



Preparing to exit the flying site – there is a step and grip tape both sides.



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Remember that there are plenty of places to visit and things to do in North Wales. Maybe make a holiday of it.

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