

Ruthin and Forests Run, May 2022.

A small group of Devamoggers arrived in Ruthin Craft Centre for what proved to be a superb run around Lake Brenig, across to Cerrigydrudion, Try Mawr Cwm, Bala, Llandrillo and the associated, hills and Forests of Snowdonia.

Setting off around 11ish, the group of 5 cars followed the roads towards Bontuchel and Cyffilliog. A bit narrow in places, but as we ascended out of Cyffilliog the sun started to appear and it steadily got warmer from then on.



The road followed headed towards Pentre Llyn Cymmer where, not long after, we turned north to follow the edge of Lake Brenig. It was clearly a good day for sailing as a number of boats were on the lake and the car parking looked busy from where we were overlooking the lake. The clouds had almost disappeared by now and the views were just getting better,

As we approached the top of the lake and before we turned to come back across the other side, there was just a bit of haze looking towards Rhyl and the Kinmill Bay offshore wind farms. Not where we were. The moors were lovely..



We now travelled south again, on the East side of Brenig heading towards our break/lunch stop at "The Crown" on the Afon Alwen. They do a fine baguette and we can certainly recommend stopping.

Brian and Gale joined us at this point so we now had a party of 6 cars. The more the merrier

After refreshments and chin wag, we traveled west towards Cerrigydrudion and on towards Try Mawr Cam. Luckily there was no traffic as the roads were on the compact side with few passing places. (In fact we hardly saw any other cars on the roads the whole trip).

Through Try Mawr Cym and the associated Gate and up over the hills. Some amazing scenery all along the top with cracking views. This continued as we headed back down towards Bala. Stopping to remove some coats as by this



time it was really getting quite warm and sunny.

Passing through Bala, which was quieter than expected we headed for Llandrillo and Cynwyd where we took a Left and headed back to the A5 and our final stop at County Cooks, Ty-Nant.

A very enjoyable trip, with great weather and stunning scenery. Very well described by one as a real little gem of a drive.

Congratulations to David for developing the tour.