

River Wye: Season rods at GLLR 2019 onwards

GROMAIN & Upper LLANSTEPHAN
LLANGOED and Lower LLANSTEPHAN
The RECTORY

3 ½ miles of prime fly fishing on the upper Wye in three beats. GLLR is currently the third most productive beat on the Wye based on 5year average catches. It is let in a novel way that overcomes the problem of day per week lets. So, a pool of rods "The team"....is able to access the beats on almost any day of their choice using the Wye and Usk Foundation's self-booking system. The number of rods is fixed on each beat well below the historic level. Consecutive days can be fished under this system to accommodate those who live a distance away but can stay over.

The three beats offer a good mix of high and low water pools. Gromain (top beat)has a boat solely to fish the north (left) bank of the Ferry and the Middle beat has a boat alternating between the Home Catch and Llangoed and Orchard pools. Gromain has a number of platforms to enable fishing some of the tougher bits of wading (Gromain Top planks, Bachawy boards, Spout, Spring pool, Ferry (left bank) and Bridge pool). Elsewhere, most pools can be fished from the bank or wading, given normal care

Gauges on the WUF website give some indication of water conditions [here](#)

Canoeing on the upper Wye is solely by arrangement with the owners and details of what should happen can be found [here](#). Canoes should only be there when the Llanstephan gauge is over 2' 5", during the salmon season and between 18th October and 15th March

Cost: £800 full rod (All 7 Days) £475 Half rod (All 7 days, Alternative weeks)
Gromain only £450 Full Rod Gromain and Llangoed only £600 Full rod

How it works

- Season rod payments are for all 7 days of the week. Half rods will fish any or all of the 7 days but on alternate weeks. You will be given a password to book yourself in advance of your preferred day(s) and preferred beat and you can book three days in advance. When each one is fished, you can book another and so on.
- The skill is, as ever, gauging what will be the prevailing conditions on the day you can

get away and whether these conditions suit one beat better than another (I still can't get it right after 30 years!). The gauge and other weather information to assist is to be found at <http://www.wyeuskfoundation.org/conditions/index.php>

- The owner may be contacted on 07812118065 (SM-S) and WUF on 01874 712074.

Other Information

Boundaries

& Pools: Details including maps of pools are available for each beat. They are frequently updated.

Rods:

Gromain & U Llanstephan	4 salmon or trout/grayling rods per day.
Llangoed & Lwr Llanstephan	4 salmon or trout /grayling rods per day
Rectory	3 salmon or trout/grayling rods per day

Booking: You could in theory fish on every day on any beat. However, please only make bookings that you will definitely use and cancel any you can't make as quickly as possible. However, the system does not permit sending a locum, so:

Guests: We give three (free) guest day permits for full rods on request (2 half rods). One on Rectory; one anywhere before 15th April anywhere and one either of the other beats. Guests should always be accompanied by the season rod

Catches: Salmon:
**24 -2018 119 – 2017; 132 – 2016; 44 – 2015; 24 – 2014; 14 -2013;
109 – 2012; 32 – 2011; 23 – 2010; 24 – '09; 71 –'08; 50 – '07**

5 year average 69 Over 93% on fly.

Trout to 7½ lbs; Barbel to 8 ½ lbs; Chub to 6lbs; Dace, Pike and Grayling.

Notification: We send out email updates of conditions, catches etc. WUF has a webcam on a gauge at Gromain to give instant water height and colour information. Please advise us of successes, fish hooked, other points of interest or concern. Salmon Catches > Stephen.gromain@btconnect.com 07812118065 or the WUF catch returns

Huts Gromain and Rectory each have a hut, barbeque, small cooker and heater etc. There is a second smaller hut at the top of Gromain

CONDITIONS OF LETTING

- NRW rules and regulations should be observed at all times: Spin and Fly 3rd March – 31st August; Fly only 1st September – 17th October. All salmon must be returned. Trout and Grayling may be retained – subject to NRW byelaws. For 2020, there may be additional byelaws relating to hooks etc. We will advise when the outcome of consultation is known.
 - Unlike much of the Wye there is good fly fishing in nearly every pool. There are a few places where a spinner is likely to succeed over fly: the middle and tail of the Rectory pool, Ty Mawr (Rectory); Spring pool, Croy and tail Orchard (Gromain and U Llanstephan); Llangoed Pool and Home catch (Llangoed and L Llanstephan) **When there are other anglers present, you must confine spinning to these larger pools unless agreed with your fellow fisher.**
 - Only Flying Cs fitted with a **single hook** can be used on these beats subject to conditions above.
 - If there is a rod on the other bank at Dolmeudwy and Orchard, please ensure you fish behind the rod that has started the pool first. Ideally, fish the other pool and then swop over. Elsewhere, unless by mutual agreement please spread yourselves out cross the beat.
 - **Please Note All Safety Warnings**
 - Gromain has some pools with boards to aid wading. On no account should felt only soles be used on them: they are very slippery.
 - Please only use the boats (if available) if you are experienced in boating. You should use a life jacket if boating (Not supplied) and copy the way it is locked when finished.
 - From time to time it is necessary to carry out essential bank maintenance. Whilst endeavoring to limit interference to the privacy of tenants, it may become necessary to have workmen and machines working on the bank. Apologies in advance.
 - **Disclaimer: All persons attending (fishers, friends, observers, children guests, pets etc) do so entirely at their own risk. The owner, his employees, agents, whilst endeavoring to take reasonable care of the property, disclaim all liability for loss or damage to property or persons attending this Fishery in any capacity**
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