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55. Llyn Fanod

Bronnant, Ceredigion

Grid References	O.S. Explorer map 199 Lampeter. Main entrance: SN604645, Site centre: SN604645
Status	The site forms part of the Cors Llyn Farch a Llyn Fanod SSSI.
Tenure	The reserve, which only consists of the extreme northern section of the lake, was purchased from the University of Wales in 1983.
Size	0.2 ha (0.5 acre).
Location and Access Notes	Turn north at SN605633 on the B4577 Aberarth to Tregaron road, after just over 1 km the lake is visible on the west side of the road. Or from Llyn Eiddwen, turn left and then first right. Roadside parking at crossroads, SN607646 and walk westwards along track. Access available along the whole shore. PLEASE KEEP STRICTLY TO THE SHORELINE. Inaccessible for wheelchairs.
Public transport	The 585 Aberystwyth/Lampeter bus service passes through Bronnant regularly, c. 5 km walk from the lake.

Description: Natural upland lake. Aquatic plants, dragonflies.

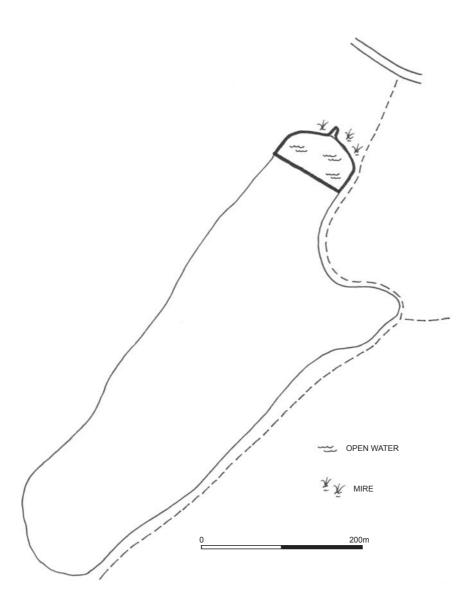
The lake which extends for 4.5 ha, may be described aptly as a sister to Llyn Eiddwen about 2 km away. It is a more sheltered locality, with a steep sloping basin mire at the southern end and heathland on the steep bank nearest the footpath. A range of aquatic plants occur, including Water Lobelia (7-9), Quillwort, Shoreweed (6-9), and a few isolated plants of Awlwort (6-7) at probably its most southerly location in Great Britain. In high summer there is a spectacular display of White Water Lily (6-9) and Yellow Water Lily (7-8) which covers much of the southern end of the lake.

The lake is particularly good for dragonflies, damselflies, and caddis flies, as well as a few aquatic Lepidoptera.

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Management Objectives: Because of the small size of the holding, management is limited to monitoring.

Good times to visit

May - Jul Breeding birds

Jun - Sept Aquatic flowers

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