

(Thur) Friday-Sunday (16) 17-19 Jan 2020

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135 mls from Hinckley (3hrs 10 min). A5/M54/A5/A458 and A470 to Dolgellau By Pass. From here (A470) take the A493 coast road towards Tywyn and Fairbourne. After travelling for approx. 1.5 miles, you will enter the village of Penmaenpool. You will pass the **George III Hotel** on your right - Penmaenucha Farm Cottages are about 50 yds further on on your left.

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Dolgellue Cottages

Penmaenucha Farm Cottages, Penmaenpool

Walking or Scrambling: This area has everything. Cadair Idris is the obvious target, up The Pony Path or perhaps the ascent via Cwm Cau and back over Mynydd Moel. If you fancy a scramble how about Cyfrwy Arete? Low level and much shorter routes include the highly recommended Precipice Walk and if its wet - from the front door - the Mawddach estuary! Climbing: Barmouth Slabs' are blessed with very easy access and good belays and for bouldering there's Cregennan Lake above Arthog.

MTB: Coed y Brenin is a mecca for all mountain-bikers. Britain's first purpose-built mountain bike centre. 8 waymarked trails with 6 red and

purpose-built mountain bike centre. 8 waymarked trails with 6 red and black grade trails for the more experienced rider. Café and bike wash. Cycling: *Dolgellau-Bala Loop* 78.9 km (49 miles) 4500m climb

A big road ride taking in the remote moors at the back of Coed y Brenin. *Mawddach Big8* 160 km (99.4 miles) 4500m climb An epic 2-day ride. Following National Cycle Network Route-8 in a figure of 8, with the Mawddach estuary at its centre, it's a ride of about around 8 hours and cover around 80 km each day. Its octastic!

BEDS: 16/20 spread over 3/4 cottages with traditional beams throughout and furnished to a high standard and with a mix of twins/doubles and bunks.

Additional night has been booked for Thurs for anyone interested (a 6 bed so far).

COST: £17 a night (min 2) payable on the weekend, or after by BACS plus around £4 if we group cater on Sat night for a two course dinner. Bring your own beer or wine (or tea) and don't forget your other food for Fri/Sat and NO sleeping bag required! We stayed last year for the first time and loved it.

STUFF you need to know: Cottages are 6 self-catering holiday cottages located on a 600 acre farm, extending from marshland on the beautiful Mawddach estuary to the foothills of Cader Idris. All cottages in Penmaenpool are heated with a wood biomass boiler with magnificent views over the estuary and mountains beyond.

BEST PUB: Re-furbed local - The George III Hotel (200yds) for good food and beer

