
WINDY WINDY WINDY not.

Posted by stu - 2010/03/04 16:45

Today is my 98th day of not windsurfing! Without moaning or ranting (too much) this has to be the worst winter ever for wind!

I reckon I've missed out on 2 or 3 days max due to work commitments in those 98 days and not a lot forecast either... Never ever thought I'd hit this many days without a fix, and looks like more to come... I had to postpone my Cape Verde trip due to my new job starting sooner than expected, too!

Since the last time I got out I've acquired a new board (custom from Aus), 3 new sails, a bunch of prototype fins, new lines and a new boom... All unused!

So whats everybody doing to keep sane? Luckily there was some good surf in Jan/early Feb and since then it's been warm enough/snows melted enough to get out on the bikes.

So, if it stays like this who fancies a trip to Tenerife? Thinking April sometime at the moment, just for a long(ish) weekend...

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Re:WINDY WINDY WINDY not.

Posted by stu - 2010/03/04 19:10

Anybody who fancies it, heading to Llandegla Saturday morning for a quick blast... About 9.30 for a coffee then ride...

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Posted by dunkerdink - 2010/03/04 22:24

:angry: :(my last sail was the 14th of november, beginning to think i've forgotten how to sail. luckily the mtb has kept me going, including riding in the snow up winter hill. which is where am off this weekend or up to the lakes. llandegla is ok for a blast

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Posted by Duncan - 2010/03/05 09:04

It's been 50 days since my last session, which was at Rhossy, the forecast there has not had a 3* wind guru rating since then. Bad times. I'm home this weekend (KENT) and am thinking of brining my MTB back with me to keep me occupied. Still, the lack of wind means I've been making progress on buying a van. Going to look at some tomorrow hopefully.

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Re:WINDY WINDY WINDY not.

Posted by Shawn - 2010/03/05 14:54

Mwahahaha :woohoo:

Busy packing my bags for Cape Verde :laugh:

Sun sun sun!

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Re:WINDY WINDY WINDY not.

Posted by markh - 2010/03/05 16:16

Stu, would have joined you on Saturday, but I'm already going on Sunday afternoon as my teenage son says he doesn't do mornings:). I'm at Llandegla most Sunday afternoons, I see your Mike and his girl friend there quite a lot.

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Posted by Ernie - 2010/03/05 17:25

Dear Doctor Stu.

My name is Ernie and I'm a windsurfaholic.

It has been 123 days since my last fix.

I saw a leaf move this afternoon and I nearly loaded the car (with kit) ...I'm not clean....

Ern.

p.s. Llandegla +1

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Posted by mudshark - 2010/03/06 08:22

About 80-odd days for me without a fix. Maybe we need to start thinking about human sacrifice ? Any suggestions?

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Posted by kenmorton - 2010/03/06 10:33

I reckon anyone who is off to Cabo Verde and likes to remind everyone else about it should be top of the list!

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Posted by TwoFish - 2010/03/06 17:18

Not since November for me, unless you count one trip made to Rhossi out of desperation, with not enough wind even to beach start.

Good luck with the van Duncan. Sorry if this is telling you what you already know, but in case not, have you started doing your homework re insurance? Van insurance quotes can be shocking, and a good deal of shopping around is often needed.

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Posted by Duncan - 2010/03/06 18:35

thanks for the advice two fish, just put a deposit down on the van, a T4, going to pick it up on monday and drive back to bangor with it.

Maybe we should start a group ride at llandegla, for windless folks out there. I'll be bringing my mtb up,

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Posted by jose - 2010/03/07 09:27

Windsurf :blink: what is that?:(I think I used to practize it when I was young. We used to get air moving very quickly, we used to call it wind.:laugh: :unsure: :laugh: :unsure: :laugh:

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Posted by stu - 2010/03/07 14:45

Shocker. Today is 101 days! Had a good ride this morning though on the roadie, and Llandegla was good yesterday, too.

Llandegla again next Saturday morning if anybody fancies it (providing no wind, which lets face it...)

Duncan - Try eVan for insurance on vans, mine is £330 with breakdown through RAC (including Home start). And you get a £100 holiday voucher at the moment which you could use to get you away somewhere windy!

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Posted by stu - 2010/03/07 14:45

And yes - a human sacrifice may be called for. Or even better, that gloating sheep they call Shawn!

Enjoy CV matey!

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Posted by Duncan - 2010/03/07 16:25

thanks for the advice, i looked for insurance all over the net and phoned a few places. obviously being 20 i expect it to be fairly expensive. e-van would not even quote me. All sorted now tho. considering i don't have any no claims (been on my mum's policy till now) it's not that band. Some companies wanted 2k. but i found one that is 1.5k (pretty simelar to a lot of small hatchbacks) and my parents are helping out a bit as they think it will be useful to have a van around.

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Posted by Surf Hamster - 2010/03/07 18:19

I last sailed on December 6th - it was freezing cold and I had an awful time, but I'm starting to think fondly of it now.....:S

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Posted by thommocap - 2010/03/11 15:01

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Posted by stu - 2010/03/11 16:13

Probably!

Give me a call if you're heading out there 07791 073198.

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Re:WINDY WINDY WINDY not.

Posted by Duncan - 2010/03/11 22:24

finally, 2* rating and a van = a short session for me tomorrow, 5.3m and 105l. Can't wait.

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Posted by kenmorton - 2010/03/15 00:11

Jeees' some decent wind forecast for later on in the week, about bloody time!

Glad to see a few of you have made the best of the meagre breezes of the last few days.

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Posted by Duncan - 2010/03/16 10:45

will i be seeing you there any time this week ken?

i'm going tomorrow after my practical finishes at 1 and then on thursday i'm skipping lectures to go all day. Then friday morning i might pop down before I travel back home.

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Posted by kenmorton - 2010/03/16 22:33

Hope to be there Thursday afternoon. Might get to try out my new sails. Just hope my christmas pressy (new harness) will fit the new larger waistline.

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Re:WINDY WINDY WINDY not.

Posted by Shawn - 2010/03/17 13:21

oOOooo - windy - and almost a massive 10degrees!
I might even come and join you if I can get off work!!! :P

I just got back from a week in Cabo Verde - 20kts every day - would have been brilliant if I hadn't gotten myself the worst sunburn this side of Mars :angry: I spent 8 hours on the beach on the 1st day - with no shelter of any kind - covered in Factor40 suncream which unfortunately was over 2 years past its expiry date and offered absolutely f**k all in the way of protection.....:(I now look like Radioactive man.....

Hope to see you on a beach very soon - I'll be the one covered in scabs.... Try not to laugh when you see me.

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Re:WINDY WINDY WINDY not.

Posted by jose - 2010/03/17 17:30

:laugh: :laugh: :laugh: The cold water will do you good.

Anyone going to West Kirby tomorrow?

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Posted by kenmorton - 2010/03/17 19:25

Bad luck Shawn, hope it wasn't a total washout.

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Posted by max - 2010/03/17 22:05

Shawn wrote:

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it's hard not to laugh when we see you weve seen you sail

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Max

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Re:WINDY WINDY WINDY not.

Posted by Shawn - 2010/03/18 19:18

Hehe - shhhh. Long time no-see dude! Must get myself down leasowe again soon!

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Re:WINDY WINDY WINDY not.

Posted by kenmorton - 2010/03/18 22:44

Talking about having a laugh have you started wearing your knickers on the outside of your wetsuit yet like a proper kiter?

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