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Posted by Bert - 2004/09/16 14:29

Any ideas Shawn ?

Guide us O great sheep - where should we venture to graze this weekend ?

Your flock will follow....

I notice Theyr is predicting WIND !

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Posted by dave - 2004/09/16 19:33

I've been to rhossy today and it ws fantastic. Great to be back out on a 4.2 and over powered with logo high waves and the rest.

Absolutely exhausted after an hour but with some lucozade and a break managed another 1 1/2 hrs on the water.

Just love the autumn conditions. Probably would have been alittle better with a little less wind but we don't want to complain!!

Saturday looks a great forecast so see you down there!!

Dave

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Posted by Shawn - 2004/09/17 09:48

Mornin'

Yeah - sorry, forecasts have not been happening of late - been on hols, and then done so much rippin laterly that I've been unable to type - got the sh!t kicked out of me by rhosneigr yesterday - consider yourselves lucky you weren't there except Dave (above) - well done mate, hangin on to a sail like that all day - which one were ya? I was on the fanatic goya with holey 4m sail.

Weather for the w/e - as usual - a bit vague, sorry - but that's the fine art of forecasting for ya.

friday

kirby - SW about 10 kts all day - good for big kites cos tides up at 1.20pm - 8.99m - I think I'll be there to give it a whirl - the boss is off again.

Rhossy - SW about 15 - 17 kts all day - but i'm never going there again after the kicking I got in the waves yesterday.

saturday

kirby - 14kts W all day, although theyr is showing force 5 westerlies at both kirby and rhossy at the mo', so keep a close eye on what it does.

Rhossy - If you get there early - by 9 - it will be mighty windy - about 30kts - slowly decreasing to 18 kts W by mid day for the rest of the day - could be a cracker of a 4 & 5m day if u don't mind the drive and are feeling lucky.

Sunday

kirby - F 4/5 SW, according to theyr. However, windguru puts it a bit lower than that at lower end of F4 hmmm.

Rhossy - F 6/7 SW according to theyr.F 5 from windguru.....

My recommendation - beat the crowds & get to Rhossy very early on saturday and rig yer smallest sail (but don't camp over night cos you'll get blown away). Then again, I'm a bit biased cos I'm stuck at a family lunch on sunday.

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Posted by johmo - 2004/09/17 13:31

The tide tables for WK are showing 8.9m Saturday lunchtime and 8.67 on Sunday. Is that worth making a 2 hour journey for? Can anyone say how long before and after high tide is sailable at those levels please?

Thanks, Johmo

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Posted by Bert - 2004/09/17 14:06

Strictly speaking 1 hour either way

In reality more like 2 either way but you need to start off from the far end of the lake and recover there and you may have a bit of a walk.

If you do that, it's best to team up with someone else, or follow the last other sailor home.....

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Posted by dave - 2004/09/18 15:08

My recommendation - beat the crowds & get to Rhossy very early on saturday and rig yer smallest sail

Well went back to rhossy and have just returned. Big waves again but sw/w 15 kts and I was there from 9am. Only took

my wave kit.(rrd red and ezzy blue with streamer)

The wind didn't show and i cant get there tomorrow!

Next time.....

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Posted by kenmorton - 2004/09/19 00:53

Should have stayed a bit longer. I got there about 2.00 and wandered about a bit - only one windsurfer out on a Hypasonic with a 6.5m and going nowhere, ever the kitesurfers with 17m were packing up.

But it was sunny and warm and even though the waves in the downwind bay area were only 3' or 4' they were breaking about 200m out from the shore and were rolling all the way into the beach. So I thought "sod it, I've come all this way I may as well rig 6.2m and 94l board and go and play in the waves even if it means I've got to walk all the way back up the beach a couple of times".

And guess what? The wind picked up, well powered all afternoon till about 6.30. OK direction wasn't great and 6.2m/94l aint my favorite combination but the riding was pretty good at times and I did get to practice my starboard jumping on the way back (still totally alien though)

Hopefully get a decent day there next week.

P.S. What was WK like on the tide ?

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Posted by Bert - 2004/09/19 11:51

I made the mistake of committing to Saturday but the wind didn't look good so now that it's blowing on Sunday I'm off to Ikea.....

what a disaster !

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Posted by Bert - 2004/09/19 22:54

Worse than that it cost me nearly 800, nearly an hour queueing with the other million people there, a hernia getting it all in the car and the rest of the afternoon assembling the bloody stuff whilst the wind increased more and more rattling the windows just to rub it in !

go on tell me what a good sail you had

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Posted by Shawn - 2004/09/20 09:21

Oh dear - sorry Dave - i'm going to be changing the name of my weather forecasts to "Shawns notoriously unreliable weather 4cast" - so as not to give any false impressions.

If it's any help I missed out too - very average 6.5 day on saturday, then roped into sunday dinner on sunday, whilst watching the trees thrash themselves to pieces right outside the dining room window.

Bert - ikea - on a sunday!!? - are you mad!?

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