

Bannau Brycheiniog (Brecon Beacons) National Park

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Thursday 02 May 2024 until 23:59 on Friday 03 May 2024







Forecast Issued on Thursday 02 May 2024 at 01:58

**Confidence:** High confidence for the unsettled weather and moderate confidence in the details during Thursday. Low confidence in details of low cloud, precipitation and further thunderstorms Friday and Sunday onwards.

**Headline for Thursday 02 May 2024:** Heavy, thundery rain clearing through the morning but remaining overcast with extensive low cloud. Further heavy, possibly thundery showers later in the day and overnight.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 02 May 2024

<b>Blizzards</b> No Likelihood	<b>Heavy persistent snow</b> No Likelihood	<b>Storm force winds</b> No Likelihood
<b>Gales</b> No Likelihood	<b>Severe chill effect</b> No Likelihood	<b>Poor visibility</b> High Likelihood
<b>Thunderstorms</b> Medium Likelihood	<b>Heavy persistent rain</b> Medium Likelihood	<b>Strong sunlight</b> No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
					
Thunderstorm	Heavy Rain	Light rain	Drizzle	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain
Precipitation probability					
90%	60%	30%	30%	60%	80%

Forecast for Thursday 02 May 2024

**Weather:** Heavy and persistent rain will continue until mid-morning, bringing with it the risk of thunder, lightning and possibly hail. This will steadily ease from the east through the morning, but it will remain predominantly overcast with extensive low cloud and further outbreaks of rain and drizzle. Any brightness will be very limited and fleeting. Chance of afternoon showers and the odd thunderstorm. Further heavy rain arriving from the southeast this evening, becoming widespread overnight.

**Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m:** 20% widely for much of the day, improving for a while during the afternoon to 40% in the west and southwest.

**Low cloud and visibility:** Extensive low cloud with bases around 400m for all parts during the day and lowering to 200-300m in heavy downpours or drizzle. Visibility outside of precipitation will be moderate, but in rain and drizzle this will be poor or very poor with even nearby hills obscured.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)				Wind Direction (blowing from)		
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	13/17 N	9/13 N	6/9 N	7/11 W	12/18 W	13/20 W	12/19 W
300	4/12 NW	5/10 NW	4/7 N	7/12 W	9/18 W	10/19 W	9/18 W
Valley	4/11 W	5/9 NW	3/6 NW	8/15 W	9/19 W	9/19 W	9/18 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	7/3	8/6	10/8	10/8	8/5	7/3	6/3
300	8/7	10/8	12/11	12/10	10/7	8/6	8/6
Valley	8/8	10/9	12/12	11/10	10/8	9/7	8/6
Freezing Level*	2500m	2600m	2700m	2600m	2600m	2500m	2500m

\*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Meteorologist's View

Poor conditions persisting through Thursday. Heavy rain will lead to slippery paths and channels of water from runoff. Waterproofs may become soaked for a while but have a chance to dry off where rain clears.

Recent rainfall: measured at Neuadd: altitude 353m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
02:00 on Thu 02 May 2024	8.6mm	20.2mm	37.8mm

Forecast for Friday 03 May 2024

**Weather:** Outbreaks of heavy rain and showers will continue first thing. Rain will then ease, turning patchier and more drizzly before steadily easing and pulling away to the north. Some improvement and bright spells across the Park Friday afternoon. There remains the risk for bursts of heavy rain during the afternoon, mainly in the north. Chilly at height.

**Maximum wind:** West or southwest 20mph, gusting 25-30mph.

**Chance of cloud-free hill tops 600m:** 30% during the morning, improving from the south to 80% through the afternoon.

**Low cloud and visibility:** Extensive cloud bases of 400-500m during the morning, lowering to 300m in drizzle. Bases rising as rain clears away northwards, lifting about even the highest summits by the evening with southern parts of the park likely to see the improvements first. Visibility moderate to good, but poor in rain and very poor in drizzle.

**Temperature:** **Valleys:** Plus 8 Celsius becoming Plus 11 Celsius  
**At 600m:** Plus 5 Celsius  
**Freezing level:** Above summits