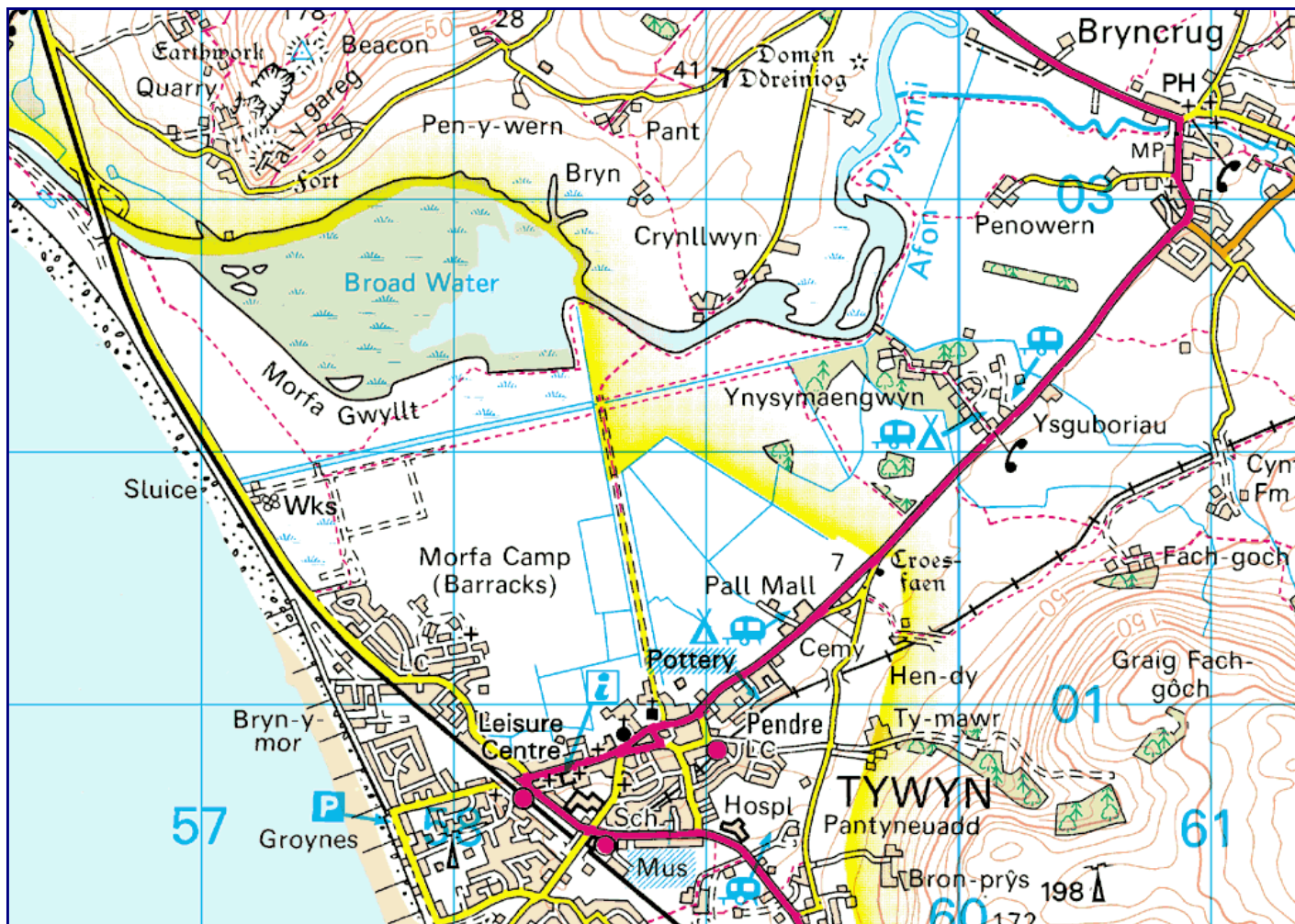


# BROAD WATERS TYWYN 4 or 8 Miles

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To get to the Broad Water head towards Tywyn. In Tywyn, follow the road round past the Co-Op on the left, When you see Sanderson's Estate Agents on the corner turn left, follow this road past Travis Perkins, turn right immediately before the level crossing. Follow this road to the end.

Once you have parked your car, cross the stile by the road side to your right. The path is easy to follow and will take you around the Broad Water, here you can see Bird Rock in the distance. Carry along the path, on reaching a gate you will see a small bridge to your right. If you would like to take a detour here this will lead you to the remains of Ynysmaengwyn (2 miles).

Ynysmaengwyn pronounced "inisminegwin" was once owned by the noble Corbet family. The estate covers a large area with many remains of the old buildings in and around the beautiful woodlands. The estate was vacated during the Second World War when it was occupied by the Army, this led to its downfall. A unique dovecote still stands in the grounds and the walled garden is hidden in the woodland.

Should you wish to carry on, the path follows the River Dysynni to Bryncreug (4 miles).

Follow the path back to your car. If you are feeling particularly energetic when you get back, walk under the railway bridge and down to the sea along this path (about half a mile).



A swan and cygnets in the channel which links Broad Water to the sea. The steel bridge carries the Cambrian Coast railway line. Next to it are the ends of a bailey bridge which used to link Tywyn with the army base at Tonfanau which was demolished in the 1980s.



Ynysmaengwyn 1758





The Boadwater in a large salt water lagoon near Tywyn. Formed from the silted up estuary of the River Dysynni. In the eighteenth century the estuary was used by the shipbuilding industry, small sailing were launched to carry peat from the local peat bogs. The industry was abandoned in the nineteenth century when the estuary became too silted up, forming the lagoon.

The area is a haven for wetland birds and has been designated a Site of Special Scientific Interest.

Wetland birds that can be seen here include, Turnstones, Sandwich Terns, Eider Ducks and Red Breasted Mergansers. You may also see Peregrine Falcons, Red Kites and Cormorants.

To the north you can see Bird Rock in the distance with Cadair Idris towering behind.

