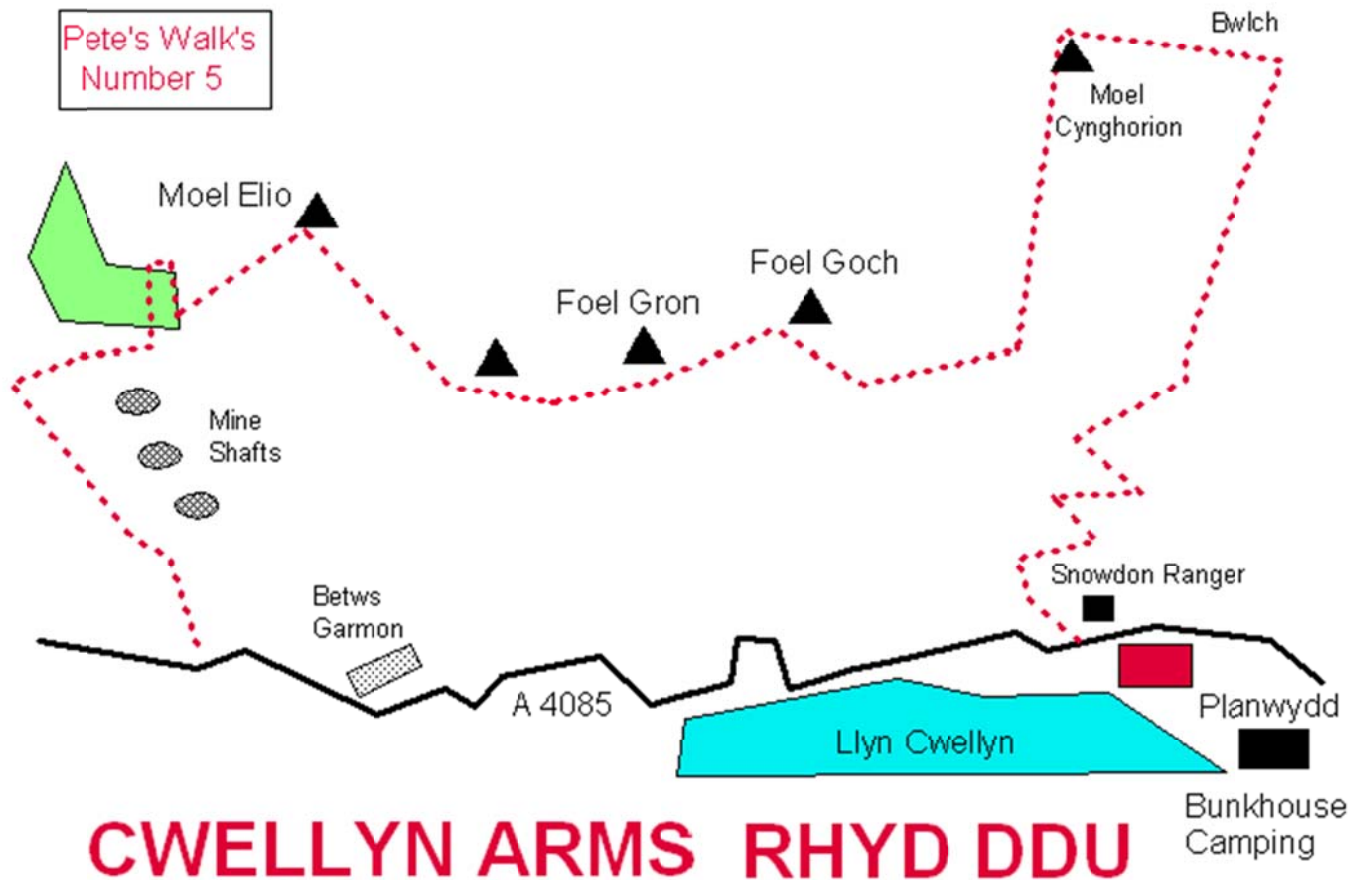


# THE MOEL ELIO RIDGE



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Time 4-5 hours. Max. Height 726m.(2374 ft.) Vertical ascent 896m.(2935 ft.) Very easy underfoot but lots of up and down .Wonderful views into Clogwyn. PARK at the Snowdon Ranger youth hostel. It is difficult to find car space at the Betws Garmon end except at the village of Betws Garmon itself. If you have to walk back to the Snowdon Ranger it takes 30 to 40 minutes along the road.WALK across the road, past the mill and up the zigzags, (It is of course possible to turn off at the Llanberis path signposted at the top of the zigzags and omit Moel Cynghorion but you would miss out on some good views of Snowdon and a near peep at the brooding cliffs of Clogwyn Du'r Arddu, the climber's Mecca. Besides it would be cheating!) Walk right along to the Bwlch Cwm Brwynog them turn left and go up to the top of Moel Cynghorion. Stay on the south side of the fence and walk down to the junction with the Llanberis path. The way along the ridge is now clear. Arriving at the top of Moel Elio at last, take the left hand stile of two as you face them from the top and descend with the fence on your left. Reaching the wall turn right until there is a breach in the wall and then turn left through the top end of the forest and out onto the hill above the mine shafts. Several ways are possible here but be warned that the mine shafts and levels are not fenced and this is no place for the timid and/or unwary. Most people will want to have a look into these but if you want to avoid them go down the edge of the forest until you can turn left onto a path leading towards Betws Garmon. At the time of writing some new fences were being put up in this area so find your way either by spotting the new stiles or else through the farm at Ystrad-isaf.