

Weather Links - Nigel Page - www.50k-or-bust.com

Below are links to weather sites I use for model flying. Some are national and some are local to the High Peak area or thereabouts. Note that all weather forecasts need interpretation according to local geography and that the further ahead they are the more likely they are to change as the relevant day approaches.

Bollington forecast (Met Office)

<https://www.metoffice.gov.uk/weather/forecast/gcqx0q664#?date=2023-05-08>

Mam Tor forecast (Met Office)

Forecast to give conditions at summit height. This indicates what the wind is likely to be over the top of the Peak District.

<https://www.metoffice.gov.uk/weather/forecast/gcqxqzqk3#?date=2023-05-08>

Surface Pressure (Synoptics)(Met Office)

<https://www.metoffice.gov.uk/weather/maps-and-charts/surface-pressure>

RASP - Soaring forecast for sailplanes

This is a rather technical but very useful site but needs to be explored carefully and can be a bit difficult to understand.

Sfc. Wind (10m) is probably the most useful map.

<https://rasp.stratus.org.uk/index.php/rasptable-desktop>

Weather stations and other real time information

Bradwell Edge weather station

Situated on the edge next to wind sock at Camphill gliding club giving real time wind near summit height of Peak District.

<https://derbyshiresoaringclub.org.uk/bradwell-weather-station/>

UK Wind Map

Gives an idea of what the general air-flow across the country.

<https://www.xcweather.co.uk/observations>

Note the Leek Thorncliffe weather station often gives a wind speed oddly higher than other stations nearby.

Rainfall radar (Met Office)

<https://www.metoffice.gov.uk/weather/maps-and-charts/rainfall-radar-forecast-map>

Rainfall radar (Metcheck)

I sometimes find this easier to use than the Met Office version.

<https://www.metcheck.com/WEATHER/radar.asp>

Cat & Fiddle Web Cam

<https://www.maccinfo.com/cat/index.html>
