



Cavan – The Lake Country, an Anglers Guide

Welcome to County Cavan, Ireland's premier angling location. Cavan has a well earned reputation for coarse and pike angling. In addition, there are many fine game angling river stretches and wild Brown Trout lake fisheries. Local angling centres offer the angler excellent facilities ensuring a truly memorable holiday. The fisheries in County Cavan comprise many major river systems and associated lakes.

The **River Erne** and main tributaries, the **Shannon Erne Waterway** and the **Dromore/Annalee system** dominate the middle of the County. To the east, lies the upper **River Boyne** system and to the south and northwest, parts of the Shannon system. These lakes and rivers have good stocks of **Bream, Roach, Rudd, Perch and Pike**. **Eels are present in all waters in the County. Roach, Bream and Rudd Bream Hybrids are found in the majority of these fisheries.** Tench are now more widespread and have grown to specimen size in some fisheries. In recent years, Carp have been stocked into selected waters and provide good sport.

There is a water in County Cavan to suit all tastes. The angler seeking large open waters with the hope of **Bream and Roach** can choose from the wider stretches of the rivers or large lakes such as **Gowna, Oughter, Sillan, Upper Erne, McNear and Ramor**. Those in search of somewhere more intimate and secluded will find many smaller lakes and river stretches with plenty of fish. Specimen hunters in search of large Tench, Bream and Pike will find many waters where their efforts will be rewarded. Recent fish stock surveys have revealed many coarse angling waters in the County with specimen fish.

Game angling lakes in the county include **Annagh Lake, Butlersbridge; Creenagh Lake, Killeshandra; Moyduff Lake, between Shercock and Cootehill; Holy Lake, Belturbet; Lough Acurry, Grousehall (on Cavan – Bailieborough Rd) and the renowned brown trout fishery at Lough Sheelin, Mountnugent.** The main rivers are the **Erne near Belturbet and the Annalee with its tributaries the Bunnoe and Laragh.**

Many opportunities exist for the specialist match angler to participate in the 3 and 4 day angling festivals. One of Ireland's major international events is the **British King of Clubs which is often held in County Cavan.** **Local angling festivals are held annually at Arvagh, Belturbet, Cootehill and Gowna with one day open matches at many centres.** Details of the principal events are published in the National Coarse Fishing Federation of Ireland (N.C.F.F.I.) Calendar of Events.



THE FISHERIES

Shannon System

In West Cavan, the mighty River Shannon begins its journey from the Cuilcagh Mountains through the central plain of Ireland to the Atlantic Ocean. The Shannon's main tributary, the River Inny flows from Lough Sheelin in the south of the County through the village of **Finea**.



Erne System

The upper reaches of River Erne, flow between the angling centres of **Kilnaleck and Gowna**. The river flows north from Lough Gowna and connects to the intricate lake system of Lough Oughter. The well known angling town of **Arvagh** lies near the source of the Cullies river system and continues through many well known lakes before joining Lough Oughter. **Cavan, Belturbet and Killeshandra** are the angling centres near this popular fishery. The Erne is now joined by the River Annalee flowing in from the east, and near to the angling centres of **Cootehill and Shercock**. The main river exits Lough Oughter and continues in a northerly direction to Belturbet and on to Upper Lough Erne on the Cavan/Fermanagh border. Nearby is the River Finn and the attractive angling centre of **Redhills**. The Shannon Erne Waterway flows north east to the western shore of Upper Lough Erne. Associated with the waterway are the angling centres of **Ballyconnell and Bawnboy**. **Blacklion** in West Cavan is situated on the shores of Lough McNear Upper.



Boyne System

The upper lakes of the River Boyne are close to the angling centres of **Bailieborough and Ballyjamesduff**. Virginia is located on the shores of Lough Ramor. The Kells Blackwater River leaves Lough Ramor and continues to the River Boyne at Navan in nearby County Meath.

Trout Angling

There are several notable Trout waters in the County (see page 28). Lough Sheelin in the south of the County is world famous for its hard fighting big wild Brown Trout. Angling services and accommodation are available at **Crover, Kilnaleck, Ballyjamesduff, Mountnugent, and Finea**. An angling permit from the Shannon Regional Fisheries Board is required. (**t: +353 (0)49 433 6144**) or **www.shrfb.ie**

Several stretches of the River Annalee, at Ballyhaise and upstream have good quality Brown Trout fishing. Two main tributaries of the Annalee, the Bunnoe and the Laragh are notable Trout fisheries. Day permits are available through local clubs. Other game angling lakes in the county are *Annagh Lake, Butlersbridge; Greenagh Lake, Killeshandra; Moyduff Lake, between Shercock and Cootehill; Holy Lake, Belturbet and Lough Acurry, Grousehall (on Cavan - Bailieborough Rd)*. The main rivers are the River Erne near Belturbet and the River Annalee with its tributaries the Bunnoe and Laragh. *For information on where to obtain permits contact the Northern Regional Fisheries Board at **northfisheries@eircom.net** or **t: +353 (0)49 433 7174***

FISHING TIPS FOR COARSE ANGLING

Concentrate on a few carefully selected swims. Many waters produce their best after two or three days prebaiting. Many of the hotels and guesthouses have log books containing recent data on nearby waters. If the quarry is Bream, three venues in one week would generally be sufficient. As shoals of fish are often much larger in Ireland, extra feed may be needed to keep fish interested.

FISHING TIPS FOR PIKE ANGLING

Specimen Pike are generally found in larger lakes and wide deep river stretches but smaller waters should not be ignored as they often contain worthwhile fish. Pike over 20 lbs. are regularly taken and fish over 30 lbs. are recorded annually. The abundance of excellent stocks of fodder fish ensures that Irish Pike generally grow faster than in other EU countries. Conventional Pike angling methods are successful on most waters.



All Pike should be returned alive to the water as soon as possible after unhooking and weighing. On larger waters, boats and in some cases, the hiring of an angling guide can ensure successful Pike fishing. Supplies of deadbaits are readily available in tackle shops at our various angling centres. Anglers are requested to observe the Pike conservation laws.

Angling By – laws

CONSERVATION OF AND PROHIBITION ON SALE OF COARSE FISH BYE-LAW NO. 806, 2006

The Coarse fish bye law provides for the following conservation measures:

- A bag limit of 4 coarse fish in any one day,
- Prohibits the killing of any coarse fish greater than 25 cm in length,
- Prohibits the sale of any coarse fish in Ireland (excluding NI), this provision will not apply to fishing tackle dealers and fish bait suppliers who have been granted an exemption from their respective Regional Fisheries Board.

CONSERVATION OF PIKE BYE-LAW NO. 809, 2006

The pike bye law provides for the following conservation measures:

- A bag limit of 1 Pike in any one day,
- Prohibits the killing of any pike greater than 50 cm in length,
- Prohibits the possession by any person of more than 1 whole pike less than 50 cm or more than 1.5kgs of pike flesh, this provision does not apply to a person storing pike or pike parts subject to conditions.
- Prohibits the possession by any person of more than 12 fish for use as bait subject to conditions.

Country Code and Access to Waters

Special Note: Reference is made on this map to land and access points which may be on private property. Such quotations do not imply a right of way. Fishermen should always take care to see that the necessary permission in the proper form is obtained from the owners.

The normal access to waters is over Fisheries' stiles. Do not open gates and park car in field. At all times respect landowners' property. Keep the waterside clean and bring your litter home. Note: Anglers, please do not litter shorelines. (Access to fisheries depends on your co-operation).

Conservation

All fish should be handled with care. Do not retain Bream, Roach or Tench for a long period in a net. Return the fish gently to the water.



ANGLING INFORMATION AND SERVICES IN COUNTY CAVAN

Accommodation in Cavan

There is an excellent choice of hotels, guesthouses, B&B's, farmhouses and self-catering accommodation to choose from at all the major angling centres in County Cavan. These premises are all well equipped to cater for the needs of anglers. Generally, they can order and store bait, angling equipment and provide drying and storage facilities. In addition, they often provide the latest angling information on local waters and many have angling logbooks which carry recent angling information including successful baits and methods.

For information and reservations contact:

Fáilte Ireland North West, Aras Reddan, Temple Street, Sligo. **t: +353 (0) 71 916 1201**
e: northwestinfo@failteireland.ie www.discoverireland.ie/northwest

Cavan Tourist Information Office,

Farnham Centre, Farnham Street, Cavan. **t: +353 (0)49 437 7200**
e: tourism@cceb.ie www.cavantourism.com

FISHERIES BOARDS

The lakes and rivers in the County are managed and protected by 3 Regional Fisheries Boards. Please find below contact details for the Fishery Boards operating in Cavan.

Central Fisheries Board, Swords Business Campus, Swords, Co. Dublin.

t: +353 (0)1 8842 600 e: info@cfb.ie www.cfb.ie

The Central Fisheries Board provides detailed angling maps and information on fishing across the Republic of Ireland.

The Northern Regional Fisheries Board, Corlesmore, Ballinagh, Co. Cavan.

t: +353 (0)49 433 7174 e: northfisheries@eircom.net www.nrfb.ie

The Northern Regional Fisheries Board (NRFB) manage the angling waters of the River Erne covering the angling centres of Arvagh, Ballyconnell, Bawnboy, Blacklion, Belturbet, Cavan, Cootehill, Gowna, Killeshandra, Kilnaleck, Redhills and Shercock. The NRFB also provides four very comprehensive Angling maps detailing the River Erne system.

The Eastern Regional Fisheries Board, 15A Main Street, Blackrock, Co. Dublin.

t: +353 (0)1 278 7022 e: info@erfb.ie www.fishingireland.net

*Or ERFB, C/O Navan Tourist Information Office, 21 Ludlow Street, Navan, Co. Meath. Contact **David Byrne** (for local information, comprehensive guides and maps) **t: +353 (0) 46 907 3375 e: dbyrne@fishingireland.net** The ERFB manage the waters of the upper River Boyne system in the County covering the angling centres of Bailieborough, Kingscourt and Virginia.*



Angling in Cavan

The Shannon Regional Fisheries Board, Ashbourne Business Park, Dock Road, Limerick.

t: +353 (0)61 300238 e: angler.support@shrfb.ie www.shannon-fishery-board.ie

The Shannon Regional Fisheries Board manage the waters of the River Shannon including Lough Sheelin and the head waters of the river in the Cuilcagh mountains in northwest County Cavan. Information on Lough Sheelin can be obtained from the Shannon Regional Fisheries Board.

t: +353 (0)49 433 6144





ANGLING CENTRES IN COUNTY CAVAN

ARVAGH

Arvagh lies on the border of Cavan, Longford and Leitrim and is famous as the town where the three provinces of Ulster, Leinster and Connacht meet. The area is very popular with fishermen and offers excellent angling all year round. An international fishing tournament takes place in Arvagh every September.

Garty Lough: Large lake at the end of the main street. Easy access with a slipway. Very good Pike fishing. The main areas of the lake are best fished by boat.

Hollybank Lake: Good road access to developed car park. Developed match and pleasure stretch. Common species and some Tench. Very good Pike fishing also.

Guiniken Lake: Car park with fishing from stands. Lake is upstream of Hollybank Lake. Common species and some Tench.

Gulladoo Lake: This long lake is on the outskirts of the town. The upper lake has good access with lakeside road and car parking with good fishing in the lower lake from roadside parking. Match and pleasure stretch.

Rockfield Lake: Good road to waterside swims. Newly developed match length and used for King of Clubs competition. Common species and some Tench.

Lough Gowna - Rosduff (Enaghan): Two access points. Drive to shore with permission of landowner in dry weather. Good long stretch for 60 pegs. Used in King of Clubs competition. Very good Pike fishing.

Bait, Boat Hire & Tackle: *Breffni Arms Hotel, Main Street, Arvagh.*
t: +353 (0)49 433 5127 www.breffniarms.com

Festival: *Annual Arvagh International Angling Festival*-first week in September.
t: +353 (0)49 433 5127

Guides: *Kieran McCormack, Killeshandra, Co. Cavan.* t: + 353 (0)86 172 1810

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BAILIEBOROUGH

Bailieborough is a vibrant and busy town in East Cavan. There is a network of lakes, all of which are part of the Boyne System. The area has very good Pike and coarse fishing.

Town Lake: Roadside car park and some bank side swims on the west side of the lake.

Parkers Lake: This rich little lake is very popular but is heavily reed fringed with some stands provided.

Castle Lake: Well developed fishery in a C6illte (national forestry agency) forest with several access points to car parks. Disabled stand provided together with a fine network of stands around the lake. There are barriers at the car parks so a trolley to carry gear to walk to the middle areas of the lake is desirable along the beautiful walk around the lake. Very good Pike fishing.

Drumkeary Lake: Smaller fishery to the north of Castle lake with some difficult roadside parking. Fishing in some roadside swims. Good Pike fishing.

Galbolie Lake: Fishing from stands. (No parking on main road and limited parking off road car parking).

Skeagh Lake: A big lake located above Drumkeary lake. Small road with some roadside parking and a new car park and a boat slipway. Fishing from the east side of the lake. Boat fishing for Pike is excellent on this big lake.

Galloncurra Lake: Small developed fishery below Parker's lake near Killinkere. There are 5 stands provided. Shore can be dangerous in very wet weather. Good Pike fishing.

Boat Hire: **Gareth McCormac**, Bailieborough. t: **+353 (0)42 966 5340**

Guides: **Xavier Lafforgue**, Carrickmacross, Co. Monaghan.
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BALLYCONNELL

Ballyconnell is a vibrant and picturesque town in West Cavan located on the Shannon-Erne Waterway. The town offers many fine pubs and eateries and is surrounded by good quality lake fishing and on the waterway. The area is renowned for good pike fishing. Much of the network of lakes along the Shannon-Erne Waterway offer excellent bank and boat fishing.

Killywilly Lake: Limited roadside car parking with fishing from a good shore. Good pike fishing.

Tomkin Road Lake: Limited roadside car parking with fishing from a good shore.

Culliaghan Lake: Access road to lakeside car park. Fishing from 35 stands including a 25 stand match length. Dedicated stand for disabled anglers. Boats available for very good pike fishing.

Coologue Lake: On the Shannon Erne Waterway, with boat access. Car park at Burren Bridge.

Derrycassan Lake: On the Shannon Erne Waterway with boat access. Access road to car park. Developed match length fishing. Good pike fishing.

Shannon-Erne Waterway: Access points at Skellan, Ballyheady Bridge, Killarah and at Ballyconnell. Below Skellan Lock (Lock No.3) there are 8 concrete stands with good fishing particularly for Bream and Roach. There is a car park upstream of Ballyheady Bridge. At Killarah, there is road access to car park where there is a 50-peg match length. There is mooring for boats at Ballyconnell and a number access points adjacent to the town.

Bait: **Francis McGoldrick**, *The Anglers Rest, Ballyconnell.* **t: +353 (0)49 952 6391**

Michael Priest, *Woodford Lodge, Ballyheady, Ballyconnell.* **t: +353 (0)49 952 6198**

Boat Hire: **Francis McGoldrick**, *The Anglers Rest, Ballyconnell.* **t: +353 (0)49 952 6391**

Aidan Cassidy, *Cassidy Cottages, Culliaghan, Ballyconnell.* **t: +353 (0)49 952 6182**
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Paul O'Dowd, *Killeshandra, Co. Cavan.* **t: +353 (0)49 433 4885** **e: polod@oceanfree.net**

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BALLYJAMESDUFF

Ballyjamesduff is immortalised in the famous Percy French song, 'Come back Paddy Reilly to Ballyjamesduff'. Fishing in and around Ballyjamesduff is excellent and the twin lakes of nearby Nadrageel and Lackan provide good coarse fishing.

Nadrageel & Lackan Lake: Twin lakes separated by a small heavily reeded channel. Best access is on North West shore near Ballyjamesduff with fishing from stands and good bank fishing for Roach, Rudd, Hybrids Perch and good Pike. Boats are available and are necessary to access other shorelines of the two lakes and for general Pike fishing.

Cornagrove: Fishing for Bream, Roach, Hybrids and Rudd.



Boat Hire: *Seamus Flood, Nadreegal & Lacken Lakes, Ballyjamesduff.*
t: +353 (0)49 854 4739

Pat McLoughlin, Kells, Co. Meath. t: +353 (0)46 924 1807

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Paul O Callaghan, Anglers World, Kells, Co. Meath.
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BAWNBOY

Bawnboy is a small and scenic village, 3 miles west of Ballyconnell in West Cavan. The area is popular with anglers and nearby lakes Brackley and Templeport provide good coarse fishing. Bawnboy boasts some of the finest Bream fishing in the county.

Brackley Lake: Two access points from the Swanlinbar road. Access road to car park at Prospect Point on the northern shore of the lake. Fishing on this good west facing shore which has 25 pegs, is good for Roach, Bream, Hybrids, Perch and good Pike. Boats are available for Pike fishing on this big lake.

Bunerky (Gortnacargy) Lake: There is roadside car parking, with access to a good bank. Fishing is for quality Bream, Roach, Hybrids, Perch and Pike.

Lakefield Lake: Roadside car parking limited. Bank fishing for big Bream, Roach, Hybrids, Perch and good Pike.

Templeport Lake: Car parking near church. Fishing from stands for good Bream, Roach, Hybrids, Perch and good Pike.

Bellaboy Lake: Roadside limited parking. Fishing for Roach, Bream, Perch and Pike.

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Aidan Cassidy, Cassidy Cottages, Ballyconnell, Co. Cavan. t: +353 (0)49 952 6182
(boats for residents only)



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BELTURBET ●

Belturbet is a lively and bustling town on the River Erne and conveniently located on the N3 road from Dublin to Enniskillen. An excellent base for exploring the river and the Shannon-Erne Canal, cruisers can be hired in Belturbet and the marina in the town facilitates cruisers of all sizes. The River Erne with its many lakes dominates the area and the river is joined by the Shannon Erne Waterway below the town. The river is navigable south of the town into Upper Lough Erne and beyond.

Ardan Lake: Near Milltown with limited roadside car parking. Good fishing for Tench, Bream, Roach, Hybrids, Perch and Pike.

Drummany Lake: Limited access. Common species and some Tench.

Putiaghan Lake: Access adequate with car parking. Fishing from stands. Common species and good stock of Tench. Good pike fishing.

Grilly Lake: Roadside car park with fishing from stands.

Long Lake: Limited roadside parking. Good pike particularly from boats in the lower end of lake.

Killylea Lake: Limited roadside parking. Fishing from a clean bank. Common species and some Tench.

Drumard Lake: Limited car parking on far side of lake. Fishing from a clean bank.

Amoneen Lake: Limited parking and only some swims for good Bream, Roach, Hybrids, Perch and Pike.

Upper Lough Erne, Derryvoney: Access via lakeside car park to a good 20 peg stretch. Good pike fishing.



River Erne Baker's Bridge: Roadside car parking at bridge and downstream.

Putiaghan: Roadside car park. Fishing in pools between shallower stretches.

Town Stretch: Various access points above and below the bridge (above bridge trout fishing only, permit required) and at the mooring areas. Common species and some Tench.

Creamery Stretch: Limited parking beside a good stretch. Common species and some Tench.

Naughan Lough Dooley: Access via car park to some swims fishing for Roach, Bream, Hybrids, Perch and Pike.

Clowninny: Access via a lakeside car park to a 25 peg match and pleasure stretch.

Folies Bridge: Car park at bridge.

Derryvoney: Access via roadside car park.

Shannon Erne Waterway

Aghalane: Car park at site of old bridge near the George Mitchell Peace Bridge. Fishing from swims upstream of bridge.

McCabe's Farm: Access via riverside car park. Good banks.

Bait: Tommy McMahon, The Lawn, Belturbet. t: +353 (0)49 952 2400

Catherine Smith, Fortview House, Drumbran, Cloverhill, Belturbet. t: +353 (0)49 433 8185

Boats: Thomas Kennedy, Clowninny, Belturbet. t: +353 (0)49 952 2355

Sean Fitzpatrick, Putiaghan, Belturbet. t: +353 (0)49 952 2242

Catherine Smith, Fortview House, Drumbran, Cloverhill, Belturbet. t: +353 (0)49 433 8185

Oliver & Michel Neuville, International Fishing Centre, Belturbet.

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Angling in Cavan

Festival: *Belturbet Annual Fishing Festival* (Last week in July) **t: +353 (0)49 952 4042**

Tackle: *Oliver & Michel Neville, International Fishing Centre, Belturbet.*
t: +353 (0)49 952 2616



BLACKLION ●

Blacklion is located in scenic West Cavan beside the border with Northern Ireland and County Fermanagh and is located on the Arney River joining Upper and Lower Lough MacNean. Lough MacNean is divided by the border with County Fermanagh. Blacklion is adjacent to the Fermanagh town of Belcoo (separated only by bridge). Fishing on the Cavan side is mainly on the upper lake along the Blacklion/Manorhamilton road and there are several access points to good bank fishing for Bream, Roach, Hybrids, Perch and good Pike. Bait is available locally. Fishing on the Fermanagh shores of both lakes requires a Northern Ireland fishing licence which is available at Cloughbally Mill Angling Centre and Home, Field & Stream (see below).

Bait & Tackle: *Home, Field & Stream, 18 - 20 Church St, Enniskillen, Co. Fermanagh.*
t: +44 (0)28 663 22114



Cloughballymill Angling Centre, Sligo Road, Enniskillen, Co. Fermanagh.
t: +44 (0)28 663 22008

Local Information: Blacklion Tourist Office, The Market House, Blacklion.
t: +353 (0)71 985 3941

CAVAN ●

Cavan is situated on the N3 Road, 70 miles (112 km) north west of Dublin. The town has many pubs, shops and restaurants and is conveniently located to fish the great waters of the River Erne and River Annalee.

River Annalee:

Knockfad: Access via car park. Good banks and fishing in deep pools.

Butlersbridge: The fast water at the N3 Bridge produces good roach fishing. The pool below also has Roach, Hybrids and Bream.

Deredis: Access at bridge for Roach, Bream, Hybrids, Perch, Pike and some Trout. Below here, there is a big deep pool (Montgomery's Ford) which provides good Bream and Roach fishing.

Derryheen: It is here, at the deep pool known as 'Wests' that the River Annalee joins with the waters of the great River Erne. In the pool, there are Bream, Roach, Hybrids, Perch and Pike. This area, and particularly in the River (south), holds good stocks of Tench.

Lough Oughter

Killykeen: Good access through Killykeen Forest Park to several parking areas around the complex. There is a 60 peg match length where the annual King of Clubs competition is often held. Pike fishing in the area and also access to pegs on Inch Island. Fishing is good on the match length and elsewhere for Bream, Roach, Hybrids, Perch and good Pike. Roach fishing is very good in the river between the lakes.

Sally Lake: In Killykeen Forest Park with roadside parking with fishing from stands for Carp (up to 20 lbs). Common species and some Tench.

Trinity: Limited car parking. Fishing in shallow swims.

Innisconnell (Rann): Good access with car parking. Fishing from bank. The short river stretch provides good Pike, Roach, Perch and some Tench.



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Flynn's Pass: Access road and car park with fishing from good banks. Common species and some Tench.

Innismuck Lake (Caratraw Bridge): Access below bridge to the right hand side of lake.

Innismuck Lake (Innishmuck Island): Access to the Milltown side of the lake via a causeway to a lakeside road and car parking.

Killygoan Lake: Roadside access to some swims with better fishing from far bank accessed by boat only. Common species and some Tench.

Lough Inchin: Limited roadside parking. Common species and some Tench. Fishing for good Pike best by boat.

Lavey Lake: Located 7 miles from Cavan on the main road from Dublin. Good roadside parking and fishing from a good bank.

Bait: *Sport's World, Townhall Street, Cavan Town. t: +353 (0)49 433 1812*

Mrs. Patricia Mundy, Ford House, Deredis, Butlersbridge, Co. Cavan. t: +353 (0)49 433 1427

Boats: *Mrs. Patricia Mundy, Ford House, Deredis, Butlersbridge, Co. Cavan. t: +353 (0)49 433 1427*

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Tackle: *Sport's World, Townhall Street, Cavan Town. t: +353 (0)49 433 1812*

Festival: *Annual British King of Clubs (2nd week in September).*

Contact Irish Ferries. t: +44(0) 87 051 71717



COOTEHILL

Cootehill is pleasantly situated in east Cavan and nestles between the Rivers Dromore and Annalee, which are main tributaries of the vast Erne system. There are 26 lakes within 10 miles of the town with some of these near the neighbouring town of Shercock and in adjoining Co. Monaghan.

Annamakerrig Lake: Access via forest road with car parking at lakeside. Good Pike fishing.

Drumsaul lake: Access road to limited car parking. Fishing from stands.

Drumshiel Lake: Access road and car park. Fishing from stands.

Drumlona Lake: Access road and car park.

Killyvaghan Lake: Car parking near bridge on Dromore River. Good Pike fishing.

Dromore River: Access points at Ballynascarva, Ballycoghill, Balladine bridges fishing mainly for Roach and other species. Good Pike fishing.

Lisnalong Lake: Roadside car parking. Fishing from stands. Common species and some Tench. Good Pike fishing.

Mullanary Lake: Roadside car parking. Bank fishing for Roach, some Bream and good Pike particularly from boats.

White Lake (Baird's Shore): Access road and car park to good bank fishing on a small match length. At Anney and Lisgillen, fishing is from bank and stands. Common species and some Tench.

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Michael Smith, Corrick, Cootehill. t: +353 (0)49 555 3039 (supplies bait as ordered)

Boat Hire: *CJ Fay, Cabragh House, Cootehill. t: +353 (0)49 555 2153*

Gerry Cunningham, Corceagh, Cootehill. t: +353 (0)49 555 2604

Joe & Una Smith, Riverside House, Cootehill. t: +353 (0)49 555 2150

Festival: *Cootehill Easter Classic. t: +353 (0)49 555 3412*

September Cootehill Championship Fishing Festival. t: +353 (0)49 555 3039



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GOWNA ●

This picturesque little village is situated beside one of Cavan's most beautiful lakeside vistas on the shores of Lough Gowna and the source of the River Erne. There are good stocks of Trout and Pike in these lakes, as well excellent stocks of Coarse fish. There are many stretches of Lough Gowna providing excellent bank fishing.

Lough Gowna:

Church Lake: Access road along lakeshore and car park at a good 25 peg stretch.

Cloone Lake: Access road and car park at great stretch which accommodates 20 pegs.

Corfree Lake: Good access road and car park to 25 pegs.

Arnaghan Lake: Narrow road to limited parking.

Dernaferst: Car park is located between north and south lakes. There are 30 pegs on the north side and 30 on the south shore. Shore at car parks suitable for disabled anglers. Boat slip available.

Dring: Car park at lakeshore. Boat slip available.

Rhododendron Shore: (Woodville) Limited road side parking.

Aghanoran Lake: Access by permission of landowner.

Swan Lake: Adjacent to village.

The Derries (Lisanny Lake): Lakeside car parking.

River Erne – Sallaghan Bridge: Roadside car parking.

Angling Contact: *Alan Sloane, Lough Gowna Angling Club.* t: +353 (0)43 83101

Bait & Boat Hire: *Harry Kinkade, Lakeside Farm, Gowna.* t: 353 (0)43 83242

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Festival: *Gowna Angling Festival (August)* t: +353 (0)43 83991



KILLESHANDRA

Killeshandra is a friendly town located 11 miles west of Cavan town. Owing to its location near Lough Oughter, Killeshandra is a fishing centre of international renown. There is a big network of lakes available to anglers offering good bank and boat fishing with stands on some lakes. Anglers staying in the area often fish in other parts of Lough Oughter. (see under Cavan also).

Town Lake: Lakeside car park off the Belturbet road. Good pike fishing.

Tullyguide Lake: Roadside car parking. Good pike fishing.

Lough Oughter:

Gortnanoul: There are many good fishing areas here within forestry (Cóillte) property. Anglers should note that tree felling occurs here and barriers are closed to the public on occasions.

Killykeen: The short river stretch here fishes well at periods for Roach and Hybrids. The competition stretch on the Cottage side is a first class venue for Bream, Roach, Hybrids, Perch and Pike.

Eonish: Roadside parking at a 60 peg match length (King of Clubs venue). Good pike fishing.

The Derries (Sean Reilly's Shore): Access road to waterside parking with 30 pegs for Bream, Roach, Hybrids, Perch and Pike.

Tawlagh Lake and Carr's Lake: Limited parking.

Dumb Lake (McGearty's lake): Off the Belturbet road. Recently stocked with Carp. Fishing from stands for Carp, Roach, Rudd, Perch and Pike.

Corglass Lake: On the road access into Rann (Lough Oughter). Limited roadside car parking.

Bawn Lake: Roadside car parking only. Fishing from bank and stands.

Rockfield Lake: A short access from the road to a well developed stretch.

Disert Lake: Roadside car parking.

Dereskit Lake: Limited off road car parking.



Glasshouse Lake: Access via private and forestry road with waterside car parking to a 30-peg match length. Common species and some Tench.

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Alan Kells, Castlehamilton Farm, Killeshandra. **t: +353 (0)87 207 5013**
Pat Tiernan, Lakeside Cottages, Killeshandra. **t: +353 (0)49 433 4431**
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KILNALECK

Small village near the source of the River Erne. There are two important lakes near the village.

Corglass Lake: Limited access. Bank fishing for Bream, Roach, Hybrids, Perch and Pike.

Kill Lake: Access from west (pump house) side with bank fishing for Bream, Roach, Hybrids, Perch and Pike.

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KINGSCOURT ●

Kingscourt is a busy market town in the south east corner of Cavan with a small number of lakes near the town. It is surrounded by a number of small lakes that produce some excellent catches.



Ervey Lake: This medium sized lake is well developed with a car park, slipway and several big stands on the south west side of the lake. There are many single stands on the west and north shores. Anglers are advised to fish only from stands or boats for Roach, Bream, specimen hybrids, perch and big Pike.

Priestfield Lake: Covers an area of 2.5 hectares with depths to 2.5m. This lake contains stocks of pike, perch, tench and rudd. Pole and float produce the best results. Carp are also present in this lake

Barnhill Lake: A small lake covering an area of approximately 1 hectare with depths to 1.5m. This lake has stocks of carp as well as pike, perch, tench and rudd. Pole and float methods work best.

Convent Lake: Covers an area of approximately 3 hectares with depths to 2m. This lake contains a wide variety of species including roach, rudd, hybrids, perch and pike.



Whitewood Lake: Covers an area of 35 hectares and has depths in excess of 10m on the eastern shoreline. Whitewood is an excellent pike fishery and also has good stocks of roach, bream, hybrids, tench and perch. Access is best from the western shoreline where a spacious car park and slipway are provided

Breakey Lakes: Located 7.5km southwest of Kingscourt. The larger lake covers an area of 10 hectares with depths to 7m. This lake contains good stocks of pike, perch and bream. It is also possible to launch a boat from this venue. The smaller lake covers an area of about 3 hectares with depths to 5m. It also contains stocks of pike and perch.

Greaghlonge Lake: Roadside parking with bank fishing for good Roach, Perch and good Pike.

Cornalara Lake: Roadside parking with bank fishing for Roach, Hybrids, Perch and good Pike.

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MOUNTNUGENT ●

Mountnugent is a peaceful village pleasantly situated on the River Inny and the shores of Lough Sheelin, one of the most famous wild brown trout fisheries in Europe. An angling permit from the Shannon Regional Fisheries Board is required to fish on Lough Sheelin. To purchase a permit, contact **t: +353 (0)57 912 1777** or purchase online at **www.shannon-fishery-board.ie**. The area is also a good coarse fishery.

Lough Sheelin: Lough Sheelin is a little over 4 miles long and more than one mile wide. It has an area of 4500 acres (1800 Hectares) approximately and is one of the most famous wild Brown Trout fisheries in Europe. (*for further info – see game angling section on page 28*).

Coarse Fishing at Mountnugent

Bracklagh Lake: Bream, Pike, Tench, Hybrid, Perch and Pike.

The River Inny: The river at and from the bridge at Finea has a moderate to fast flow and holds a big stock of Roach and Hybrids. The river holds Roach along its stretch from Kinala, by Carnagh Bridge, Float Bridge and Coolnagun Bridge, where there is a competition stretch. The depth of this river varies and there are some fast, shallow and weedy stretches.

Lough Kinale: This lake is mostly reed fringed and has good Roach, Rudd, Hybrids, Perch and Pike.

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Mary O'Reilly, Innyside Lodge, Finea Village, Co. Westmeath. t: +353 (0)43 81124

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REDHILLS

Redhills is a small, peaceful, picturesque village east of Belturbet blessed with some fine fisheries. The village was made famous as the location for the films 'The Playboys' and 'The Run of the Country'.

Killybandrick Lake: There are access roads to car parks on the west and east shores of the lake. Fishing from stands and shore.

Lough Garrow: Private road access to chalet with stands provided by owner. Permission to fish is given by owner on this fishery which has specimen Bream, specimen Roach Bream Hybrids, Roach, good Perch and big Pike.

Drumlaney Lake: Limited car parking. Fishing from stands.

Drumgorry Lake: Parking along Clones-Cavan road.

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SHERCOCK

Shercock lies in the centre of Cavan's Drumlin Belt. The scenic landscape is dominated by small but steep hills (known as drumlins) with lakes and bogs in between. Shercock is an angling centre of note with nearby Lough Sillan a popular destination.

Lough Sillan: Good Pike fishing. Access to the north of this big lake at Annaghafarney with car park and slipway at the Caravan park near the town on the Cavan/Cootehill road. Fishing from bank at both locations for Bream particularly at Annaghafarney along with good Roach, Hybrids, Perch and good Pike. Boats are recommended to tackle this big water.

Muddy Lake: Roadside car parking with fishing from stands.



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Steepletons Lake: Roadside car parking with fishing from stands and bank.

Milltown Lake: Roadside car parking. Bank fishing. Good Pike fishing.

Barnagrow Lake: Lakeside car park and roadside car parking. Fishing from a developed bank. Good Pike fishing.

Corraneary Lake (Church Lake): Very limited roadside car parking. There is also car parking at the Church. Good Pike fishing.

Roosky Lake: Roadside car parking. Fishing from stands.



Annaghieran Lake: Roadside car parking.

Lough Tacker: Road access to car park.

Killyrue Lake: Limited car parking.

Tackle Shop: **Joe Mulligan**, c/o Duffy's Supermarket, Main Street, Shercock.
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VIRGINIA

The town of Virginia is pleasantly sited on the shores of beautiful Lough Ramor, only 1.5 hours drive from Dublin. With four small hotels, a caravan park, several restaurants, a nine-hole golf course, beautiful woodland walk and the Ramor theatre, Virginia is a lively town. The area has good pike and coarse fishing.

Lough Ramor: The biggest lake in this area covering 800 hectares. It is quite shallow at its southern end but depths in excess of 15m have been recorded at the northern end of the lake. This is an excellent pike and coarse fishery. Various access points including car park and slipway in the town. Roadside car parking near the football pitch and foxes point, on the Virginia side. Car parking in the Caravan Park with permission. On the western side of the lake there is a very narrow road to small grassy car park at Knocknagartan. Prebaiting is necessary to attract Bream at all venues on the lake. Bank fishing for Bream, Roach, Hybrids, Perch and Pike.

Lisgrey Lake: Situated approximately 4km to the northwest of Virginia. It covers an area of 4 hectares with depths to 4m. There are a number of fishing stands on the southern shoreline. This lake holds stocks of bream, tench and pike. Limited roadside car parking. Fishing from stands.

Cornaslieve Lake: Limited car parking. Some bank fishing.



Dargan's Lake: Roadside car parking. Fishing from stands.

Nadrageel Lake (Lackan Lake): Twin lakes with a small heavily reeded channel separating the pair; located about 2km north of Ballyjamesduff. Best access is on north west shore near Ballyjamesduff with fishing from stands and good bank fishing for Roach, Rudd, Hybrids, Perch and good Pike. Boats are available and are necessary to access other shorelines of the two lakes and for general Pike fishing.

Mullagh Lake: There is roadside car parking on western side and car park with slipway on east side of lake. Limited bank fishing on both shores. Boats are available for Pike fishing.

Kells Blackwater: Below Lough Ramor, there is some coarse fishing available near the lake but generally a trout fishery down to O'Daly's bridge with day permits required.

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GAME ANGLING

Lough Sheelin, Mounnugent, Co. Cavan.

Lough Sheelin is a little over 4 miles long and more than one mile wide. It has an area of 4500 acres (1800 Hectares) approximately and is one of the most famous wild Brown Trout fisheries in Europe. The lake boasts a good Mayfly hatch annually. The season begins in March at which time the trout are feeding mainly on freshwater shrimp and freshwater louse. Fishing a team of wet flies along rocky shores can take a fish or two, especially if the day is faintly mild. Useful fly patterns are Hares Ear, Claret & Mallard, Sooty Olive; even a large black lure e.g. Sweeney Todd, fished on the point on a sink tip line.



There are good hatches of various species of chironomid (Duckfly) along with some Olives in the early season. There is a good hatch of Mayfly from the middle of May, which lasts sometimes to the second week in June. If weather conditions are favourable there can be some great sport on the spent gnat. In June, July and August the best flyfishing is in the evenings, fishing big sedge patterns, which have produced large Trout in recent seasons. In September, there are fair hatches of Olives and a team of general wetflies can produce good sport if the weather conditions are favourable. There is public access with piers and jetties at the Inny Bridge, Finea, Rusheen Bay, Crover Pier and Kilnahard Pier. Areas worth trying, depending on wind direction, are Sailors Garden, the south shore of Derrsheridan, Ross Bay and all of the north shore of the Lough from Chambers Bay to Crover.

Permits: A Shannon Regional Fisheries Board (ShRFB) permit is required and is available from the Board's offices at Ballyheelan and at other major outlets around the lake at **t: +353 (0)49 433 6144** or at the **ShRFB Head Office, t: +353 (0) 61 300 238** or for purchase online at **www.shrfb.ie** e: **angler.support@shrfb.ie**

Regulations: Daily Bag limit: 4 Trout. Size limit: 14 inches - 35 cms. A comprehensive set of other regulations apply - contact the ShRFB for details.

Other Game Angling Fisheries

Game angling lakes in the county are *Annagh Lake, Butlersbridge; Creenagh Lake, Killeshandra; Moyduff Lake, between Shercock and Cootehill; Holy Lake, Belturbet and Lough Acurry, Grousehall (on Cavan - Bailieborough Rd)*. The main rivers are the River Erne near Belturbet and the River Annalee with its tributaries the Bunnoe and Laragh.

Annagh Lake, Butlersbridge:

This fine lake near Butlersbridge is managed by the Butlersbridge Trout Angling Co-op Ltd. It is stocked mainly with Rainbow Trout annually. Bank fishing is not allowed and there are eight boats available for hire. There are good hatches of duckfly and sedges during the angling season and traditional fly patterns will suffice.

Season: 1st March to 30th September

Angling Methods: Fly fishing only

Bag Limit: Four Trout with a size limit of 12 inches.

Permits: **Dessie McEntee t: +353 (0)86 893 7568 / t: +353 (0)49 433 8384**

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Creenagh Lake, Killeshandra:

Mixed trout fishery located 3 miles outside Killeshandra off the R201 Carrigallen Road. Fishing from bank and boat. Boats available on site. Day and half day tickets available.

Season: 1st May to 31st October.

Angling Methods: Fly fishing only

Bag Limit: Four trout limit

Permits: *The Shamrock Inn, Main Street, Killeshandra, Co. Cavan.* t: **+353 (0)49 433 4139**



Moyduff Lake: This lake lies between Shercock and Cootehill and is stocked annually with Rainbow Trout and some Brown Trout. There are hatches of Duckfly, Olives and Sedges and traditional imitations, wet and dry are effective. Bank fishing only with some stands from the north and south shores.

Season: 1st May to 30th September.

Angling Methods: Fly fishing only

Bag Limit: Six Trout with a size limit of 10 inches

Permits: *Joe Mulligan, c/o Duffy's Supermarket, Main Street, Shercock.* t: **+353 (0)42 966 9184**
CJ's, Bridge Street, Cootehill. t: **+353 (0)49 555 2153** or t: **+353 (0)87 988 2836**



Lough Acurry (Grousehall): Located on the Cavan town -Bailieborough Road (R165), this fishery is controlled by the Laragh Angling Club. There is a stock of good wild Brown Trout which is supplemented annually with some hatchery reared fish. Fishing is from a good bank. The fish can be hard to entice but the best of the fishing is in the summer evenings where sedge patterns including the Murrough. Trout to over 5 lbs. are reported annually.

Season: 1st March to 30th September

Angling Methods: Fly fishing only

Permits: **Mr. Eddie Kelly, Stragelliff, Cavan. t: +353 (0)49 433 1540**

Holy Lake, Belturbet: This stocked lake is managed by the Belturbet Trout Anglers Club. This lake is stocked with Rainbow Trout and can only be fished by boat. Trout to over 6 lbs. have been recorded. Depending on season, Dryfly, Wetfly and Nymph patterns can all be successful.

Season: 1st March to 31st October

Angling Methods: Fly fishing only

Bag Limits: Three Trout per half day with a size limit of 12 inches

Permits & Boat Hire: **Ian Elliott, Belturbet Holy Lake Trout Club, Tomkin Road, Belturbet, Co. Cavan. t: +353 (0)49 952 2865**

River Erne, Belturbet: The River upstream of the town bridge at Kilconny to the Railway viaduct is developed for Brown Trout fishing by the local Trout Angling Club. There are a good variety of fly hatches and wet and dry patterns produce some fine fishing.

Season: 1st March to 30th September.

Angling Methods: Fly fishing only

Bag Limit: Three Trout with a size limit of 10 inches

Permits: **Gerry Walsh, 21 Main Street, Belturbet. t: +353 (0)49 952 2359**

River Annalee: This long river rises in Lough Sillan at Shercock and is joined by the Dromore River below Cootehill. The Cavan Anglers Club control the section of river upstream from Ballyhaise to Ballynallon and a permit is required. Good hatches of Olives and Sedges occur. There is some good fishing at Deredis near Butlersbridge and upstream of Cootehill in the stretch below Knappagh Bridge.

Season: 1st March to 30th September

Angling Methods: All legitimate methods but check riverside notices and regulations on permit

Bag Limit: As per club rules - see local permit

Permits: River Annalee - **Donohoe's Bar, Ballyhaise. t: +353 (0)49 433 8142**



Rivers Bunnoe and Laragh are two main tributaries that join the river below Cootehill and there are active clubs on both rivers. Trout to over 3 lbs. are reported annually. Local day permits can be purchased.

Season: 1st March to 30th September

Angling Methods: All legitimate methods but check riverside notices and regulations on permit

Bag Limit: As per club rules - see local permit

Permits: River Bunnoe - **Mr. Seamus Hughes**, Ardglushin, Lisboduff, Cootehill. **t: +353 (0)47 55067**
River Laragh - **Brady's Bar**, Laragh House, Stradone. **t: +353 (0)49 433 0168**

The Kells Blackwater: The Kells Blackwater is the largest tributary of the River Boyne and it is fed by Lough Ramor in County Cavan. This river has all the usual fly hatches associated with a limestone river with sedges and olives being important. Presently the best of the brown trout angling on this river is on the waters controlled by Kells Angling Club. This includes the stretches from the Nine-Eyed Bridge at its source to Mabes Bridge, which is located just north of Kells.

Season: 1st March to 15th September

Bag Limit: As per permit.

Angling Methods: Fly-fishing, dry fly, wet fly, and nymph fishing

Permits: **The Flying Sportsman**, CC Unlimited, Carrick Rd., Kells, Co. Meath.

t: +353 (0) 46 924 0205

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