The Owenea River drains Lough Eá running for some 13 miles through Glenties and emptying into Loughrosmore Bay at Ardara. The Owenea is primarily a spate river taking from 1 to 2 days to run off, depending on the size of the flood.

When in condition, the river is one of the best in the country for salmon. The river has runs of spring salmon, grilse, sea trout and a resident stock of small brown trout. August and September are the best months for grilse closely followed by July. Spring salmon can be caught from April onwards and indeed towards the end of the season a few autumn salmon are frequently caught.

The sea trout have been making something of a comeback in recent years though numbers still remain low. The fishery still requests that sea trout are returned where possible, to help conserve stocks.

There are 9 beats on the bottom 8 miles of river with good pools spread throughout the system and plenty of lovely ‘fly water’. Both banks can be fished with the beats catering for 3, 4 or 5 rods depending on the beat. Access to the fishery and along banks is good with adequate numbers of stiles and footbridges. There are bridges over the river between beats and one in the middle of beat 7. Disabled access and hospitality facilities have been provided for disabled anglers on a section of Beat 3 adjacent to the Fishery Office.

Fly-fishing is the most popular method used followed by spinning and worm. Shrimp and prawn are banned. Most shrimp flies fish well. Popular flies are Stoats Tail, Foxford Shrimp, Black Shrimp, Curry’s Red Shrimp, John Anthony Shrimp Claret Shrimp and Cascade’s.
BEAT DESCRIPTION

**BEAT 1:** Beat 1 is the longest beat at around 6 miles. It runs from Lough Ea to Meenhalla Bridge. Only the more adventurous cover the full beat. The lower pools, being the more productive, are most often fished.

**BEAT 2:** Beat 2 runs from the Meenhalla to Mullenierin Bridge. The most productive pools are Garry’s and the Priest Pool. The river is fairly narrow, so maintain a cautious approach.

**BEAT 3:** Beat 3 runs from Mullenierin Bridge to Mullantiboyle Bridge and includes the lower reaches of the Stracastle River. The Crambam, Rock Pool and Friel’s Battery are the most productive pools while the section from Friel’s Battery to the Short Stream can fish well for sea trout.

**BEAT 4:** Beat 4 runs from Mullantiboyle Bridge to the metal footbridge below Hugh Hanlon’s pool. All the pools on this beat are equally productive and in nice water, with fish showing all over, it should be fished down the whole of its length.

**BEAT 5:** Beat 5 runs from the metal footbridge to the new footbridge below the Gubbin. The beat includes 2 major holding pools in the Gubbin and the Mullindaragh. The Gubbin is a productive pool to the spinner and fishes to the fly if there is good water. The ‘Car’ Pool can also fish well. There is no worming permitted from the neck of Ward’s pool to the bottom of Beat 5.

**BEAT 6:** Beat 6 runs from the New Bridge below the Gubbin to the Turf Bridge below Carry Pool. The Carry Pool is a popular pool with local worm fishermen. Archie’s Pool produces a lot of fish each year. Other prolific pools include the Yellow Banks and the Battery. There is no worming permitted from the top of Beat 6 to the tail of Archie’s Pool.

**BEAT 7:** Beat 7 runs from the Turf Bridge down to the metal footbridge downstream of the ‘Trees’. There is a fair amount of slow & deep water towards the bottom of beat 7 which needs fairly high water levels to fish to the fly. There is nice fly water at the head of the beat and around the Coarse Stream and Sally’s Pool. Kelly’s is a deep pool and always holds some big fish. The Lugguog and downstream of this, Teague’s and Breslin’s, can fish well in fairly high water.

**BEAT 8:** Beat 8 runs from the metal footbridge at the bottom of 7 to the metal footbridge at the car park below Whingarden Pool. It is a very popular beat and has some very productive pools. There is some lovely fly water on this beat. The most famous pool is probably Bryan's Pool. It is a deep holding pool that always holds fish. Other productive pools include Gavigan’s, Billy’s, Sandy and McGill’s Long Pool.

**BEAT 9:** Beat 9 runs from Poul-a-Tuarn (below metal footbridge) to the Owenea Road Bridge at the tail of Finn’s Pool. Beat 9 has good fly water also interspersed with some deeper pools. Finn’s Pool at the bottom of the beat, backs up with a high tide and can fish well as fish come in on the tide. Other productive pools include Boyle’s and Boyle’s Small pool. At the top of the beat Poul-a-Tuarn can fish well and is popular with worm fishermen. Also Ferny Pool & Holly Bush down to Boyle’s are worthy of close attention.
2017 SEASON REPORT

April

The fishery opened as usual on the 1st April. The month was very dry overall giving a monthly gauge average of 0.14 metres. We did receive a good flood on the 1st (0.37m), 3rd (0.44m) but thereafter the river fell to low levels and remained there for virtually the rest of the month. The fishery was very quiet with no visitors fishing at all over the month!

May

May was mostly dry too. We received a big flood (0.58m) on the 15th but apart from a small fresh (0.22m) the river ran at low levels all month. The gauge average for the month was low at 0.14 metres. The fishery was fairly quiet with only 32 visiting rods fishing for the whole month. Understandable given the low water conditions. The 1st salmon of the season was caught and released on the 14th by local angler John Ward on a spinner from beat 9. John recorded another salmon of 9½lb on spinner from beat 9 the following day and Alan Mooney accounted for a 10lb salmon caught on a fly from beat 9. On the 17th Davy Arbuckle recorded an 11lb salmon caught on fly from beat 9. On the 18th Billy Blair reported a 6lb salmon caught on fly from beat 8. John Ward logged an 8lb salmon caught on a spinner from beat 9 and Tommy Corr accounted for a 6½lb salmon caught on a spinner from beat 9. On the 28th, Michael McCrory recorded an 8lb salmon caught & released on a fly from beat 7. On the 30th Alan Watson reported an 8½lb salmon caught on fly from beat 8. On the 31st Donal McMenamin registered a 6½lb salmon caught on a fly from beat 9. Average size of salmon for the month was 8.05lb, (see Average Salmon Sizes Chart & Graph below).

June

June was dry overall too as the gauge average of 0.15 m testifies. There was basically 2 floods, one on the 10th (0.40m) and the 23rd (0.28m) and 2 freshes on the 12th & 15th (both 0.24m). This meant the fishery was fairly quiet for June with 29 visiting rods fishing for the month. Most of the salmon caught were during the good water conditions or soon after. Given here are some of the catches taken from the Catch Register. On the 1st Alan Watson recorded a 4 salmon caught on fly from beat 8 reporting a further 3lb salmon caught on the 4th caught in the same fashion. On the 9th Alan recorded another salmon weighing 7½lb caught on a fly from beat 8. On the 11th, Paul Brennan logged a 9lb salmon caught on a spinner from beat 9. On the 10th, Donal McMenamin logged an 8½lb salmon caught on fly from beat 6. On the 14th Alan Watson registered 2 salmon weighing 5 & 7lb caught & released on fly from beat 8. The following day, the 15th, Mickey McLaughlin recorded a 6lb salmon caught on a spinner from beat 9. Michael McCrory registered a 7lb salmon caught & released on fly from beat 5, Donal McMenamin reported an 8½lb salmon caught on fly from beat 6 and Anthony Carr recorded a fine 15lb salmon caught on a fly from beat 4. On the 23rd Anthony recorded another salmon weighing 11lb caught on a fly from beat 4. Jim Laffin reported a 10lb salmon caught on fly from beat 8. Michael McCrory logged a 9lb salmon caught & released on fly from beat 5 and Sarah Arnold accounted for an 11lb 2oz salmon caught on a spinner from beat 8. On the 24th Michael reported another salmon weighing 10½lb caught on a fly from beat 5. Tommy Corr caught 5 salmon for the month weighing from 3 to 6lb on spinner from beat 9 with 3 of these being released. The average size of salmon for the month was 6.57lb, (see Average Salmon Sizes Chart & Graph below).

July

July was somewhat variable. We did receive some nice water conditions at time but these were limited to the last week except for a good flood on the 4th. The gauge average was a little better reading 0.18 metres. The fishery was busier with some 155 visitors fishing for the month though this attendance is well down given the month. The river fished well this month with good numbers of salmon caught. Most salmon were caught during the last week when there were very good water levels. The best day was the 20th when we have 20 salmon recorded in the register. Given here is a selection of the more notable catches taken from the register. On the 1st, Michael McCrory recorded an 8½lb on a fly from beat 8. On the 4th, Frankie Byrne reported a 10½lb salmon caught on fly from beat 5. Mickey McLaughlin registered an 11lb salmon caught on a spinner from beat 7, Davy O’Sullivan registered a 9½lb salmon caught on a spinner from beat 7 and Tommy Irvine accounted for a 9½lb salmon caught on a spinner from beat 8. On the 14th, Paul Brennan reported 3 salmon weighing from 3 to 4lb caught on a spinner from beat 8. On the 15th, Fergal Mallon recorded 2 salmon weighing 3 & 6lb caught on fly from beat 8 and Daniel Arnold accounted for a 10lb salmon.
caught on fly from beat 9. On the 20th, Jim McLean recorded 3 salmon weighing from 4 to 5lb caught on a spinner from beat 8 and John Conway accounted for a 10lb salmon caught on worm from beat 6. On the 27th, John Northridge recorded 2 salmon weighing 1½ & 5½lb caught on fly from beat 4 with the smaller of these being released. Finn McCrory reported 3 salmon weighing 2½, 4½ & 7lb caught on fly from beat 7 with the largest of these being released. Tommy Corr registered 4 salmon weighing from 2 to 4lb caught on spinner from beat 9 with three of these being released and Billy Blair accounted for 3 salmon weighing from 4 to 6lb caught on fly from beat 8 with the largest of these released. On the 28th, Frankie Campbell recorded 2 salmon weighing 3 & 6lb caught on fly from beat 9. Gerry Murray reported 3 salmon weighing 3, 4 & 8lb caught on fly from beat 5 with the larger of these released. On the 29th, Davy Sullivan logged a 9lb salmon caught on a spinner from beat 6. Gordon Young logged 2 salmon weighing 2 & 6½lb caught on a spinner from beat 9 with the smaller of these being released again. John Northridge reported 2 salmon weighing 4¾ & 5½lb caught on fly from beat 2 with 2 further fish caught and released and Eoin Warner accounted for 2 salmon weighing 4 & 6lb caught on fly from beat 5 with the larger of these released again. On the 30th, Jim McLean recorded 2 salmon weighing 4 & 5lb caught on spinner from beat 8. Chris Gallagher reported 2 salmon weighing 4 & 5½lb caught on spinner & worm with one of these being released and Gordon Young accounted for 2 salmon weighing 2½ & 4lb caught on spinner from beat 8 with one of these being released again. On the 31st, Adrian Whelan reported 3 salmon weighing from 1½ to 5½lb caught on spinner from beat 8 with 2 of these being released. Davy Sullivan logged 2 salmon weighing 2½ & 3lb caught and released on spinner from beat 8 and Alan Mooney accounted for a 9½lb salmon caught and released on fly from beat 7. Average size of salmon for the month was 4.52lb (see Average Salmon Sizes Chart & Graph below).

**August**

August gave some good conditions on certain days with 4 good floods over the month and fair levels between these floods. The gauge average for the month was very good reading 0.23 metres. The fishery was not particularly busy with only 164 visiting anglers fishing for the month and catches were well down on the previous month. The grilse run was poor once again for August. Given here are some of the catches taken from the Catch Register. On the 1st, Denis Bonnet recorded 2 salmon weighing 3 & 10lb caught on spinner from beat 7 with the larger fish being returned and Tommy Irvine accounted for a 5lb salmon caught on spinner from beat 8. On the 2nd, Neil Gallagher reported 3 salmon weighing 3, 5 & 6lb caught on spinner from beats 6 & 7 with the largest of these released. Denis Bonnet recorded a 6lb salmon caught on fly from beat 7 and Alan Watson accounted for a 6½lb salmon caught on fly from beat 8. On the 7th, Fergal Mallon recorded a 6lb salmon caught on fly from beat 5. On the 11th, Sean Campbell recorded a 12lb salmon caught on spinner from beat 3. On the 17th, Sean recorded a further salmon weighing 10lb caught on spinner from beat 3. On the 19th, Kevin O’Neill recorded an 8½lb salmon caught on fly from beat 5. On the 20th, Raymond Crawford reported 2 salmon weighing 2 & 5lb caught on worm from beat 8 with the smaller of these being released. On the 24th, Bill Murray recorded a 7lb salmon caught on fly from beat 5. Average size of salmon for the month was good at 5.06lb (see Average Salmon Sizes Chart & Graph below).

**September**

The month brought some lovely conditions being the wettest of the season as the gauge average of 0.26 metres tells. The first week brought low water but the rest of the month gave 8 good floods. The fishery was fairly quiet however with only 92 visiting anglers in attendance. Catches were only fair given the month and water conditions. Given here are some of the catches taken from the Catch Register. On the 8th, John Breslin recorded 2 salmon weighing 7 & 8lb salmon caught on spinner from beat 6 with the smaller of these being released. On the 9th, Otmur Butz recorded a 10lb salmon caught on fly from beat 5. On the 12th, Michael McCrory recorded 2 salmon weighing 3 & 6lb caught and released on fly from beat 5 and Daniel Arnold accounted for a 6½ salmon caught on spinner from beat 8. On the 15th, Alan Watson reported 12 sea trout up to 1lb caught on fly from Finn’s Pool on beat 9. On the 20th, Tommy Corr reported 2 salmon weighing 3 & 4lb caught and released on spinner from beat 9. From the 10th to the 12th, Davy Sullivan caught 4 salmon weighing from 5 to 8lb on spinner from beats 5, 7 & 8 with one of these released. Average size of salmon for the month was good at 5.30lb (see Average Salmon Sizes Chart & Graph below).

And so another season passed us by. It was disappointing once again to see a poor grilse run in August & September. Overall, angling attendance was low once again which is probably symptomatic of the low grilse runs and a lack of young people taking up the sport. We look forward to the coming season and seeing familiar faces again after the winter.
As usual, fly fishing was the most popular and successful method last season with 53.2% of salmon caught by this method. The most popular fly patterns were all shrimp patterns with the most popular of these being: Curry’s Red shrimp, Claret shrimp, John Anthony shrimp, Foxford shrimp, Bann Special shrimp and Ally’s Cascade’s. Spinning was the second most popular method with 53.2% of the salmon caught by this method. By far the most popular spinner was the Flying ‘C’ in various colours with red & black being the most used. The remaining salmon, 2.3%, were all caught on the worm.

**ILLEGAL METHODS**
Anglers are reminded that shrimp, prawn and roe baits are illegal. Any angler found using illegal baits will be fined and/or prosecuted.
The overall gradual upward trend in average salmon size continues although the average in 2017 dropped sharply from last year’s average once again.

**CATCH & RELEASE & CATCH RETURNS**

Catch returns are central to the successful operation and long-term stock assessment of the fishery and records of every fish caught, even if returned alive, are essential. Local Anglers and visiting anglers alike are asked to contribute to the management of their fishery by giving details of catches to the Fishery Office by phone or in person, whichever is more convenient. All anglers are of course welcome to personally fill out their catch details on the day or following days in the catch register at the Fishery Office. In these days of conservation limits, fishery closures etc. it is paramount that we have accurate information on fish stocks in rivers.

This season, 38% of the rod caught salmon were released. This was up on last season’s figure of 25.4% and encouraging to see in these challenging times for Atlantic Salmon.
The figures given below are calculated from fully recorded salmon caught by visiting/associate anglers. (Many more fish were caught on each beat by local anglers or the fish or beat not recorded). This allows us to assess how each beat fished relative to each other and also lets us calculate the C.P.U.E., which gives a truer indication of the productivity of a beat. The C.P.U.E. is the Catch per Unit Effort. This is calculated by dividing the number of Salmon caught by visiting & associate anglers, by the number of those anglers fishing that beat, over the months of April to September inclusive.

Unusually Beat 7 came out as the most productive beat last season. Beat 5 was the second most productive beat with the most popular beat no.8 being the third most productive beat. Beat 6 was placed 4th. Beats 3 and 9 ranked equally in joint 5th place.

There were 15 double figure salmon recorded in the catch register. This was on par with last year but well down on the 2015 season’s figure of 31. The best fish of the season weighed 15lb and was caught by Anthony Carr on the 15th June.

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**Top Catch Register Rods For The 2017 Season**

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This is calculated based on salmon officially recorded in the Owenea Fishery Catch Register at the Angling Centre.

SALMON TAGGING SCHEME

All anglers are legally required to tag and record all salmon and any sea trout over 40cm in length. Each angler will be issued with plastic gill tags and a logbook when they purchase a salmon & sea trout rod licence. All salmon and any sea trout over 40cm in length caught and killed, must be tagged immediately and recorded in the logbook. Any farmed salmon caught by an angler is considered to be a “wild fish” and should be tagged. It is an offence to be in possession of an untagged salmon (or sea trout over 40cm) on the riverbank or elsewhere. Tags must be inserted through the gills and mouth and securely fixed. The tag number, size of fish and catch location must be entered into the logbook. Logbooks must be made available to authorised fisheries officers on request. Extra tags are issued when an angler produces their logbook detailing their catch & usage of tags. If a logbook or tags are lost or damaged this must be reported to an authorised distributor.

Anglers found with untagged fish or failing to produce a logbook or licence on request will be issued with an on the spot fine or prosecuted. Logbooks and unused tags must be returned to I.F.I. within a period of 21 days from the date of the expiry of the license.

The Owenea is Catch & Release for 2018. This means all salmon caught and any Sea Trout of 40cm or over have to be released. Fishing is with Single Barbless hooks only and no worm fishing is allowed.

CONSERVATION of SALMON / SEA TROUT STOCKS & ROD ANGLING QUOTAS

All Salmon & Sea Trout of over 40cm

There is an angling bag limit of 10 fish per angler of salmon (any size) or sea trout (over 40cm) per season. Subject to the maximum annual bag limit of 10 fish an angler may take:

- A total of 3 salmon (any size) or sea trout (over 40cm) from the start of the season to May 11th and the Daily Bag Limit for this period is 1 fish per day.
- 3 salmon (any size) or sea trout (over 40cm) per day from May 12th to August 31st.
- 1 salmon (any size) or sea trout (over 40cm) per day from the September 1st to the end of the season on 30th September.

After the daily bag limit has been taken, anglers are permitted to fish catch and release using single, barbless hooks and there is a ban on the use of worms.

This basically means that anglers are limited to killing 10 salmon per year or less if sea trout of more than 40cm are killed since these are included in the 10 fish allowed per year.

Sea Trout Bag Limit

There is a national angling bag limit of 3 sea trout of any size per angler per day. This includes fish under 40cm. This means anglers are allowed to kill up to 3 sea trout per day (any size). Any sea trout killed of 40cm or over must be tagged.

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These figures are indicative only, since taking redd counts depends wholly on weather conditions. When the river is in flood, redds cannot always been seen or counted. It follows that a wet winter generally means lower redd counts. Also, even in ideal conditions, not all redds are observed due to a number of fish spawning in small pockets of gravel all over the fishery. This year’s redd counts were worryingly low given the fact that conditions were good at the times the river was surveyed for redds.

The last 24 years counts are as follows:

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Years when counts were low due to prevalent conditions

Since the end of 2001 we have been able to provide disabled angling adjacent to the Angling Centre in Glenties. This includes 500m of wheelchair accessible riverbank with safety rails and fishing stands along a section of Beat 3 with wheelchair accessible office and toilet facilities. These facilities will hopefully prove to be invaluable to our less able bodied brethren who often struggle to find locations where it is possible for them to fish in safety. If any information on the same is required, please do not hesitate to contact us (details below).

This year once again we had 2 Donegal Development Association TÚS schemes on the river that were managed jointly by IFI, Glenties & Ardara angling clubs. This gave us a far higher Development staffing level and great work was carried out improving access along the river. Many walkways, walkovers, stiles etc were constructed with large sections of banks selectively cleared. This is of great benefit to anglers and walkers alike. The TÚS lads deserve a big ‘Pat on the Back’ and we are all grateful for the great work they achieved on the river this year. Well done!
BOOKINGS / FURTHER INFORMATION


Off season Information & Bookings (1st October – 30th April) contact:
I.F.I. Ballyshannon,
Station Road, Ballyshannon, Co. Donegal.
Phone (071) 9851435. Fax (071) 9851816.
Email: ballyshannon@fisheriesireland.ie Website: www.fishinginireland.info

In Season Information & Bookings (1st April – 30th September) contact:
Owenea Angling Centre,
Glenties Fishery Office,
Glenties,
Co. Donegal.
Phone (074) 9551141. Fax (074) 9551444.

The Fishery Office at Glenties hatchery opening times are:
9.00am to 1.00pm every day from 1st April – 31st May
7.00am to 1.00pm every day from 1st June – 30th September.

Bookings can be taken in advance on full payment of permit. Fishing can be booked at through the Angling Centre or online at www.donegalanglingholidays.com Rods will be assigned beats on a first come first served basis and will be rotated through beats thereafter if demand is high.
Visa and MasterCard accepted and debit cards.

ACCOMMODATION

BED & BREAKFAST
- Brennan’s B&B, Main Street, Glenties, Co. Donegal Tel: 074 9551235.
- Auntie B’s, Portnoo Road, Ardara, Co. Donegal Tel: 074 9551900.
- Mrs. M. Regan, Ardlann, Mill Road, Glenties, Co. Donegal Tel: 074 9551271.
- Mrs. M. McLoone, Marguerite’s, Lr. Main St, Glenties, Co. Donegal Tel: 074 9551699.
- Ms. Rosaleen Campbell, Lisdianair, Mill Road, Glenties, Co. Donegal Tel: 074 9551800.
- Mrs. Marian Bennett, Bayview Country House, Portnoo Rd, Ardara, Co. Donegal Tel: 074 9541145.
- Ms. Norah Molloy, Brae House, Front Street, Ardara, Co. Donegal Tel: 074 9541296.
- Madeline Boyd, Castle View House, Kileashel, Loughros Point, Ardara, Co. Donegal Tel: 074 9541212.
- Ms. M. Feeney, Drumbrann House, Drumbrann, Ardara, Co. Donegal Tel: 074 9541200.
- Susan McConnell, Rosewood Country House, Killybegs Road, Ardara, Co. Donegal Tel: 074 9541168.
- Mrs. Mary Boyle, Avalon, Glen Road, Glenties, Co. Donegal Tel: (074) 9551292.

SELF-CATERING
- Brennan’s B&B, Main Street, Glenties, Co. Donegal Tel: 074 9551235.
- Owenea Lodge, Kieran & Noreen Kelly, Mill Road, Glenties, Co. Donegal Tel: 074 9551900 Mob: 087 9879546
- Granny Kate’s Cottage, Stephen McCahill, Ardara, Co. Donegal Tel: 074 9557060 Mob: 087 2424590.
- Moagh Cottage, Ardara, Co. Donegal, Elizabeth Tel: 087 7734267.
- Mountain View House, Portnoo Rd, Ardara, Co. Donegal, Ms. Dina Gallagher, Tel 074 9541239.
- Joseph & Meabh Gallagher, Portnoo Road, Ardara, Co. Donegal Tel: 074 9541172.
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