

ANGLING INFORMATION

Angling Season: 17th March-30th November

Bag Limit: 2 fish

Local Tackle Shops:

Sport World, Townhall St., Cavan Town

Home Field and Stream, Church St., Enniskillen, Co. Fermanagh

Frank Mc Phillips, Tempo, Co Fermanagh

Irish Bait and Tackle, Ballyconnell, Co. Cavan

Booking Contact: Paddy Foyne 086 2344 454

COUNTRY CODE

Anglers should ensure that gates are closed and that fences are not broken or damaged. Care should be taken with crops and livestock. Litter must not be discarded and no fires are allowed. Vehicles should be parked in such a manner that they do not cause obstruction.

BIOSECURITY

Aquatic Invasive Species and fish pathogens are readily transferred from one watercourse to another on angling tackle, boats and protective clothing. These can be very damaging to resident fish stocks, the aquatic habitat and the general environment. We would ask that all anglers inspect and clean their gear prior to fishing on Annagh Lake if that gear has previously been used on another fishery.

Full information on prevention of invasive species is available on our website at:

<http://www.fisheriesireland.ie/Research/invasive-species.html>

Or via Invasive Species Ireland at

<http://invasivespeciesireland.com/cops/water-users/anglers/>

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ANNAGH LAKE
Rainbow Trout Fishery
Co. Cavan
ANGLING GUIDE

Annagh Lake

This 100 acre crystal clear spring fed lake, is situated in a beautiful natural setting and both the lake and its surroundings are recognised as a special area of conservation under the European Habitats Directive. It has been a sanctuary lake since 1976, which means hunting is prohibited in the area surrounding the lake.

The lake was originally run as a ‘Put & Take’ fishery by the Inland Fisheries Trust but when they decided to cease operations, a group of local anglers took up the challenge and decided to turn it into a fishery run by anglers for anglers.

It is located 2km from Butlersbridge village and 7km from Cavan Town. The lake is within easy reach of both Dublin (1.5hrs) and Belfast (1.5hrs), and attracts anglers from all parts of the country.

The lake is stocked regularly with quality fighting fit triploid rainbow trout from the Inland Fisheries Ireland hatchery in Roscrea, and stocking takes place four times annually. The average fish size is 3-4lbs, with some fish reaching 4-5lbs and sometimes higher. The fish are in excellent condition and are renowned for their fighting qualities. Annagh is exclusively fly fishing, and can only be fished by boat (electric engine). So whether you are a seasoned angler or a fishing novice this is the perfect location for a great days angling.



Popular Flies

This is a spring fed lake, pollution free, and surrounded by deciduous trees which provide great shelter and an abundance of terrestrial flies. Early in the year lures are the choice of most anglers with flies such as Minkies, Snakes and Boobys being the most productive.



Grey Minkie



Black Booby



Snake



White Minkie



Sparkle Booby

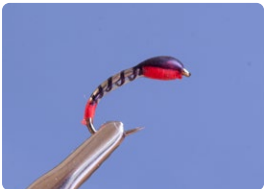


Blob

In the warmer months, fish will take more traditional wet flies, most popular being Bibios & Claret and Mallards, as well as sedges, like Green Peter and Murroughs. In the evenings there can be a good hatch of buzzers. Late in the season, fish feed on fry and fry imitations are best.



Campto



Epoxy Buzzer



Shuttlecock Olive



Daddy



Black Hopper



Floating Fry



Amenities

The club have built a superb log cabin on the lake shore, and all anglers have access to this facility. Also at the lake shore they have installed a unisex compost toilet.

Both facilities have wheelchair access. The lake is accessed via 60ft floating jetty, which has an attached ladder fitting for ease of entry and exit. There is a separate boat and access area for disabled users. There are 8 club boats on the lake.

