

Fishing Rules:

1. The gate will be locked at the time stated on the sign at the entry gate. Anglers failing to be out by the time stated will incur a penalty of €20. Tel: 087 2651478.
2. All hooks for the fishing of Rudd, Perch, Eel or Pike must be barbless. It is strictly catch and release only. No killing of fish is allowed.
3. Vehicles are not permitted past the steel barrier at the car park area. Car park must be used at all times. All gates and road access must be kept clear for emergency access.
4. Fishing is permitted from the official stands only.
5. Fishing is not permitted from any other area of the lake shore or water.
6. No fishing is permitted past the last official stand and no fishing after the appointed time.
7. Water sports are not permitted on the lake.
8. Swimming or wading is not permitted on the lake.
9. All angling equipment must be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected after being used in other water bodies prior to use at Grantstown Lake.
10. Pike are very important to the ecosystem of this lake. They must be returned as soon as possible to the lake. Return the Pike from the side of the fishing stands only.
11. The aim of the angling club shall be to foster goodwill among the anglers, walkers and the local community using this amenity. To teach the youth of the area angling skills and sportsmanship and to do all in its power to preserve this amenity for our descendants.

Angling Centre

The angling on the lake is controlled by Durrow and Cullohill Parish Anglers Association.

All fishing stands on the lake are wheelchair friendly.

Fishing on the lake is by permit only.

Membership is as follows:

Yearly Permit: €30.00

Day Permit: €10.00

Juvenile for the year is €5.00

OAP with ID for the year is €5.00.

Membership cards can be purchased from the following outlets:

Susan Lawlor, Gala Shop, Durrow.

Tel: 057 8736234.

Audrey Ryan, Daybreak Shop, Durrow.

Tel: 057 8736270.

Matt Doyle, Ballacolla.

Mob: 086 0537356.

Mountrath Angling Shop:

Tel: 057 8732162.

Oliver Lawlor, Lawlors Gardens, Durrow.

Tel: 057 8736101. Mob: 085 2348425.

Michael Walsh, Erkindale Drive, Durrow.

Tel: 057 8736437. Mob: 085 1080455.

The club would like to thank the following for their input into getting the amenity up and running:

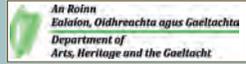
Inland Fisheries Ireland

The Pike Fishing Federation of Ireland

Matt Doyle and Michael G. Phelan

Laois Partnership Co.

Without their input into this project this facility would not be up and running.



Grantstown Wood and Lake Nature Reserve



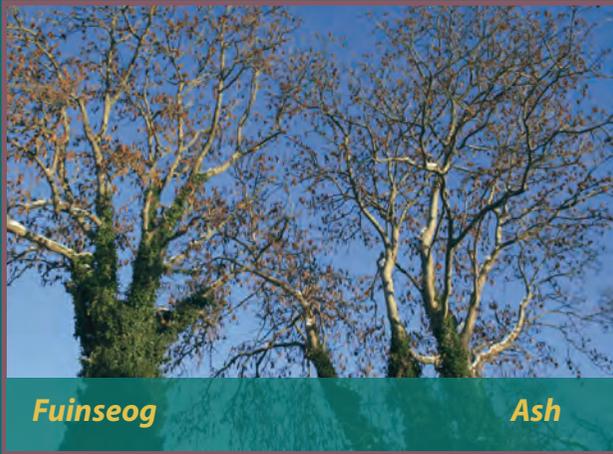
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Angling Centre and Walking Trails



Walking Trails - Grantstown Wood and Lake Nature Reserve

Managed by National Parks and Wildlife Service, Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht, this woodland nature reserve is 58 hectares in size. At its heart lies Grantstown Lake, one of the few natural lakes in County Laois. Fish found in the lake include Perch, Pike, Eel, Rudd and Tench. The fishery is managed in partnership with Durrow and Cullohill Parish Anglers Association.



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Ash

Enjoy the wood by Leaving no Trace

1. Plan ahead and prepare
2. Be considerate to others
3. Respect farm animals and wildlife
4. Stay on surfaced paths
5. Leave what you find
6. Bring your waste home
7. Do not light fires



Grading for both walks

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| Grade: | Easy* |
| Length: | 2Km |
| Ascent: | 10m |
| Estimated time to complete: | 30 Minutes |
| Surface: | Compacted stone |
| Hazards: | Open water, drains, fallen trees |
| Dogs are permitted, but must be kept under control. | |
| Amenities | Picnic tables and fishing stands |

Easy * Generally flat trails, with some gentle slopes. They can be described as 'muscle looseners' and can be walked in runners or similar light footwear. Typical duration up to one hour.

The wood is a naturally wet environment with many concealed dangers such as fallen trees and drains, so please stay on the path and be careful of your footing



Siúlóid an Locha - The Lake Walk
Ciorcal taitneamhach trin gooil agus timpeall an locha is ea siúlóid seo an locha a thaobhalonn na seastáin iascaigh. The lake walk is a pleasant circular walk through the wood and around the lake. The walk passes close to the fishing stands.

Siúlóid na Coille - The Woodland Walk
Leantar siúlóid an locha ach amháin an chuid is mó de na seastáin iascaigh, mar sin féin tá radharc ar an loch. This walk follows the same route as the lake walk, but avoids most of the fishing stands, while still providing an opportunity to view the lake.

Legend:
 - Siúlóid an Locha: The Lake Walk (Blue dotted line)
 - Siúlóid na Coille: The Woodland Walk (Green dotted line)
 - Seastáin Iascaigh: Fishing Stand (Purple icon)
 - Páircéil: Parking (Blue P icon)
 - Ionad Amhairc: View Point (Blue circle with exclamation mark)
 - Droichead: Bridge (Red bridge icon)
 - Caisleán: Castle (Blue castle icon)
 - Crannóg: Bog (Green house icon)
 - Boslach Isteach: Entrance (Red circle with arrow)

Contact Information

Please contact National Parks and Wildlife Service if you would like to give feedback or report any incidents or issues.

Phone: (076) 1002590 or email: Nature.Conservation@ahg.gov.ie

Website: www.npws.ie

In case of emergency, dial 999 and state which service you require.