

I.T.A. TOPOGRAPHICAL AND GENERAL SURVEY

SPORTS AND GAMES

BARONY OF Burrishoole

TOWN OR VILLAGE Achill Sound PARISH Achill COUNTY Mayo

ANGLING (Fresh water)

If there is only one river or lake in the parish this form (B) will suffice. For additional waters Form Ba to be used.

RIVER ~~one~~ Belforad Nearest point to town (distance) 3 1/2 mls

KINDS OF FISH HELD:

Brown & Sea Trout.

AVERAGE WEIGHT OF:

Salmon — Sea trout 1 lb Brown trout 1 1/2 lbs

BEST SEASONS FOR:

Salmon — Sea trout From July 1st Brown trout Feb. to June.

SUITABLE FLIES:

Salmon —

Sea trout Black Zulu, Claret-and-Black, Blue-and-Black.

Brown trout Hare's Ear, March Brown, Wulham's Fancy, Greenwood's Fly.

State if angling is—"entirely free"; "free except on preserved stretches"; etc:

Preserved

Preserved stretches, with names and addresses of Proprietors:

Achill Sporting Club - Sec. F. Pike, Glendary, Achill Sound.

Owners of boats for hire, and charges per day:

River too small for boats - best fished from banks.

Convenient angling centres (where accommodation is available):

Achill Sound: Sweeney's Hotel, Kiltane's Hotel, Atlantic Hotel.

Local Angling Club Achill Sporting Club Membership Fee 70/- season.

Secretary (and Address) F. Pike, Glendary, Achill Sound, Co. Mayo.

N.B See note attached to SEA ANGLING
Sea angling on form B for Keel Vll.

Brief notes on fishing grounds:

The narrow waters of the Sound are excellent fishing areas but have never been availed of by tourists.

The result is that there are no boats for hire but any of the very numerous punt or motor boat owners will take tourists with them when they go out themselves.

There are very rapid and dangerous currents all thro' the Sound and strangers should on no account go out without a local guide.

Kinds of fish to be caught:

Turbot, Mackerel, pollack, bream, gurnard, ling, cod, sole, Coalfish, white Trout, Herrings. Small Porbeagle sharks

Owners of boats, type of boats, and charges per day:

As visitors have not taken up fishing in the Sound there are no boatmen who will hire themselves out.

Punts and various sizes of inboard motor boats (10 to 30 tons) are numerous and will gladly take visitors when their owners go out themselves.

Bait available locally? yes Fishing tackle? yes, Sweeney's Stores.

Representative of B.S.A.S. or other sea angling Assn. none

GOLFING

Name of Club none No. of holes —

Situation and brief description of course:

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Name of Professional —

Is there a clubhouse on course? — Licensed? —

Green fees (Visitors): Per day — Per week —

RACING

(Including "Point-to-Point" and "Flapper" meetings)

No. of meetings normally held during the year none

Under which rules? —

Situation of course —

HUNTING

Hounds which hunt in the district:

Foxhounds none

Harriers none

Beagles none

COURSING

Name of Club none Meeting held annually? —

GREYHOUND RACING

Name of Company none

Races on (nights) —

SHOOTING

N.B.

See pencil note
attached to Form B
for local
shooting
9.5.51

Brief notes on shooting areas, stating kinds of wild fowl or game, and if free shooting is available:

Good shooting is to be had over all the island & the Corraun Peninsula. West side of Corraun Mountain is preserved by the Achill sporting Club, also the whole of the island. Other parts of the Corraun Peninsula are free, or permission is readily given. Game, Snipe, Woodcock, Plover, Wild Duck & Geese.

If preserved, give names of landowners or lessees and addresses:

Achill Sporting Club - Sec. F. P. He, Glendary, Achill Sound.

Shooting Club Achill Sporting Club Secy. as above.

CLAY PIGEON SHOOTING

Name of Club — Competitions held? —

ROWING AND SAILING

Rowing or yacht clubs, with address of club-house.

none

GAMES AND RECREATIONS.

Name of Club or Committee concerned with the following: 1.
(In each case give location of sports ground or recreation hall):

Gaelic Football Wolfe Tone Team, Sweeney's Field, Achill Court.

Hurling none

Handball none Handball alley? —

Soccer none

Rugby none

Cricket none

Hockey none

Bowls none

Bowling (on public roads) none

Lawn Tennis none Kinds of courts —

Croquet none

Billiards none

Badminton none

Table Tennis none

Bridge Club none

Other games or recreations (inc. "Cross Roads" dancing)

none

ATHLETICS AND CYCLING

Name of Club none Events held under rules of —

do. none

ANNUAL EVENTS

Give list of annual events held in the town or parish, naming promoters (Clubs, etc.)
in each case. Include pilgrimages and patterns.

none Promoters —

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DATE 26/8/42

(Signed) M. J. B. O'Kelly
Surveyor.