The Tullaghan shoreline out past Lady’s Srudarra Island will take the angler along a westerly wind starting at the back of shore in a line out past Lady’s Island. This drift will produce results right through the angling season regardless of the wind direction. Anglers can drift through the season. Give these particular times of year and wind conditions, anglers could drift for up to 16km. Fish up to 3lbs can be taken on this drift in the Pump House area. This drift works best with a southerly wind drifting into the Bullring or from Captain’s Hill towards Church Island. Drifts a try when you next visit.

Anglers please think safety and be safe while on the water and wear your life jacket at all times, remember it’s the law. Always tell someone where you are going and what time to expect you home. If in difficulty ring the emergency services on 999 or 112 and seek help.

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Points of Interest

- Tullaghan Car Park
- Lough Owel Lodge
- Jack O’Sullivan Boat Hire
- Discover Ireland Centre
- Market Sq., Mullingar
- Beechpark Self Catering, Colinstown, Co Westmeath
- Bloomfield House Hotel, Mullingar
- Lough Owel Lodge B&B, Mullingar
- Newberry Hotel, Mullingar
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WHEELEY BOAT
IFI provide a Wheely boat specially designed by the Wheelyboat Trust for anglers with disability. The boat has a front ramp to allow wheelchair access and a 15hp fixed electric start engine for ease of operation. This is available for hire on request. Users are advised to have one special needs assistant on hand to facilitate with the operation of the boat.

In season, please contact Tudenham Lodge - Tel: +353 (0) 44 934 8714 or Assistant Inspector Dermot Broughan - Tel: +353 (0) 37 295 3286.
**Angling Rules**

- All legal angling methods are permitted: fly fishing, spinning and trolling.
- Fishing from a boat: only one angler fishing from one boat, subject to the national by-laws.
- Anglers can only fish with one red creel, or a blue creel for coarse angling.
- No trout must not be kept.
- All undersize fish must be returned to the water with as little injury as possible.
- Fish hooked on the outside of the mouth must be returned.
- No person may fish either on or in the lake while under the influence of alcohol.
- No person may fish from above the shore by the show and ever and around known shoal.

**Access to the Lake**

To protect the habitat, certain areas are off limits. These areas are: plantation forestry, clear fells and boulder fields, areas which you should avoid fishing in, trapping after your intentions and protecting the fishery for all its economic contribution.

**Angling Etiquette**

- Please respect all other anglers, lakes and the environment you fish in. Please observe the following anglers etiquette and abide by the rules of the lake at all times.
- Life jackets are required to be worn by:
  - Any angler fishing from a boat: only one angler fishing from one boat, subject to the national by-laws.
- A land-based or boat fisherman when fishing lake on the lakes.
- The best trout fishing is usually in the late summer and early autumn.
- This is the period that nearly always produces the best fishing.

**High Season**

- Generally there is a full break in the fishing season from about the second week of July and the third week of August.
- The best trout fishing is usually in the late summer and early autumn.
- The trout feed more avidly early on in the year through to late August.
- The season opens in March and, during this time, fishing from a boat only is the best method of catching trout by hooking.
- Trout: Fly Fishing is the best way to catch trout. The trout usually feed heavily on insects and small fish in the vicinity.
- Fish hooked on the outside of the mouth must be returned.
- Keep your line out of the path of a feeding fish and tweak it rather than play it too long.
- The Green Peter brings up the best fish and takes very well to a micro nymph.
- Let us summarise the fly hatches on Lough Owel. The Lake has a good catch of Atlantic salmon, as well as a fair catch of Brown Trout. Intensive fishing is common on this lake. Do not fish outside the marked areas. A head lamp or torch is required at night. No part of this document, including the style guide, may be reproduced in electronic form without written permission.

**Angling Information Early Season**

(March/April)

- The season opens in March, and during this time, fishing from a boat only is the best method of catching trout by hooking.
- Trout: Fly Fishing is the best way to catch trout. The trout usually feed heavily on insects and small fish in the vicinity.
- Fish hooked on the outside of the mouth must be returned.
- Keep your line out of the path of a feeding fish and tweak it rather than play it too long.
- The Green Peter brings up the best fish and takes very well to a micro nymph.