

# I.T.A. TOPOGRAPHICAL AND GENERAL SURVEY

## SPORTS AND GAMES

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TOWN ~~Belmullet~~ Belmullet PARISH Belmullet COUNTY Mayo (North)

### 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 OR LAKE None Nearest point to town (distance) \_\_\_\_\_

KINDS OF FISH HELD: \_\_\_\_\_

#### AVERAGE WEIGHT OF:

Salmon \_\_\_\_\_ Sea trout \_\_\_\_\_ Brown trout \_\_\_\_\_

#### BEST SEASONS FOR:

Salmon \_\_\_\_\_ Sea trout \_\_\_\_\_ Brown trout \_\_\_\_\_

#### SUITABLE FLIES:

Salmon \_\_\_\_\_  
Sea trout \_\_\_\_\_  
Brown trout \_\_\_\_\_

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

#### Preserved stretches, with names and addresses of Proprietors:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

#### Owners of boats for hire, and charges per day:

None

#### Convenient angling centres (where accommodation is available):

Local Angling Club \_\_\_\_\_ Membership Fee \_\_\_\_\_

Secretary (and Address) \_\_\_\_\_

## SEA ANGLING

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Brief notes on fishing grounds :

Belmullet is an ideal centre for the sea angler owing to its unique situation between the two Bays, Blacksod and Broadhaven, the former with a southern aspect and the latter, northern. The fisherman who finds the southern bay too rough may pass through the few hundred yards of canal into Broadhaven and vice versa, thus finding shelter in almost any weather.

Kinds of fish to be caught :

Pollock, Bream, Glasson and Mackerel.

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

There are no boats obtainable in the parish but several may be had in the parish of Kilmore, adjoining.

Bait available locally? **Yes** Fishing tackle? **Yes**

Representative of B.S.A.S. or other sea angling Assn. **None**

## GOLFING

Name of Club **Belmullet Golf Club.** No. of holes **9**

Situation and brief description of course :

This is an ideal natural course but owing to small membership, it does not receive due care. The course has been described as a comparatively simple one with natural bunkers and the minimum of usual equipment. Being slightly over three miles from the town and quite near Binghamstown, the present course is considered as very inconveniently distant and it is proposed but not definitely decided, to return to the old course which has about equal merits but is only about  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles from town, at Carn. The present course is in a very pretty setting on the verge of the Atlantic and comm-

Name of Professional **None /** and a wonderful view of the hills of Achill and the islands, including famed Inis Gloire which is quite close.

Is there a clubhouse on course? **No clubhouse** Licensed? **No**

Green fees (Visitors) : Per day **2/-** Per week **7/6.**

**RACING**

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No. of meetings normally held during the year One

Under which rules? Flapper Meeting

Situation of course The meeting is organised by Belmullet Race Committee but the course is at Carn, in the neighbouring parish of Kilmore.

**HUNTING**

Hounds which hunt in the district:

Foxhounds -----

Harriers -----

Beagles -----

**No Hunting.**

**COURSING**

Name of Club None

Meeting held annually? -----

**GREYHOUND RACING**

Name of Company None

Races on (nights) -----

**SHOOTING**

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

In the parish, the principal shooting areas are the mainland districts about Glencastle and Shraigh. Here, grouse and snipe are very plentiful and wild geese and duck are sometimes numerous. Most of the shooting is free.

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

The Irish Land Commission own the rights of extensive tracts which are available for letting.

Shooting Club None

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**CLAY PIGEON SHOOTING**

Name of Club None

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:  
(In each case give location of sports ground or recreation hall)

Gaelic Football **Belmullet Gaelic Football Club, C.Y.M.S. Hall, Chapel St.**

Hurling **None**

Handball **None** **Funds for the erection of Handball Alley have been collected years ago. Handball alley? but no attempt has been made to build - sites are**

Soccer **None** **very scarce in the town.**

Rugby **None**

Cricket **None**

Hockey **None**

Bowls **None**

Bowling (on public roads) **None**

Lawn Tennis **None**

Kinds of courts **None**

Croquet **None**

Billiards **One table at the C.Y.M.S. Hall, Chapel Street.**

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.

## ANNUAL EVENTS

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

A Flapper Race Meeting is held annually **Belmullet Race Cottee.**  
at Carn, about  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles from town, in Promoters  
the parish of Kilmore.

A Sports Meeting is held annually and **Parish Committee.**  
includes aquatic events and G. Football.  
This year the events (sports) will be held  
probably at Football Grounds and on Aug. 29th.

Sports Meeting at Shraigh, nearly six miles **Local Committee.**  
from Belmullet. This year, the sports and  
football contests were held on the Sandbanks  
at Shraigh, on August 15th.

DATE August 20<sup>th</sup> 1943.

(Signed)

*Conor O'Brien*

Surveyor.

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### ANGLING (Fresh water)

RIVER OR LAKE Varrowmore Nearest point to town (distance) 8 miles

#### KINDS OF FISH HELD:

Contains very numerous Salmon but it is very rarely that they are hooked. Also contains fluke.

#### AVERAGE WEIGHT OF:

Salmon 10 lbs. Sea trout — Brown trout —

#### BEST SEASONS FOR:

Salmon Most plentiful in July/Aug. Sea trout — Brown trout —

#### SUITABLE FLIES:

Salmon No fly known to be effective

Sea trout —

Brown trout —

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

#### Preserved stretches, with names and addresses of Proprietors:

Lake is preserved for Salmon netting by Messrs J. Kenchan and Blanchard, Gray Lodge, Ballycroy.

#### Owners of boats for hire, and charges per day:

None available.

#### Convenient angling centres (where accommodation is available):

Belmullet.

Local Angling Club None. Membership Fee —

Secretary —

DATE 23. 8. 1931.

(Signed) Conce O'Brien  
Surveyor.