

Church Shore, Lough Gowna

Church Lough – sometimes called Church Shore – is part of the massive Gowna system and rich in fish. The stretch often used for match fishing in June and September, has improved access with a new driveway and then styles to about 30 swims. Anglers enjoy pole fishing like this stretch because it has deep water inshore and in the right conditions (with an onshore wind) they bream can arrive in force, along with the usual batch of hybrids and roach.



Species: Bream, lots of roach, good hybrids, pike and perch

Best baits: Red maggots, corn, caster and worms

Popular methods: Long pole for bream, groundbait feeder and waggler.

Local tackle shop: None local but there are bait stockists

Access: There is a new road alongside the fishing areas and then a short walk along a flat bank

Directions: From Gowna Village take the Longford road for 1.5 miles and you will pass a sign (on left) pointing to Church Lake. Drive on past the Foamlite Factory (on right) and take the next turning on the left.

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