

# Golf in County Kildare



Home of the 2006 Ryder Cup Matches



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K Club



Carton House



PGA National Ireland

For just €300, your Quality Golf Passport will give you access to three of Ireland's best courses, all located within 10 miles of each other in beautiful County Kildare.

Here's how it works. Our Passport to Quality Golf is as easy to use as your own travel passport.

You can buy the passport in any of the following ways:

- ✓ At any of the three participating golf clubs
- ✓ At Kildare Heritage Centre in Kildare Town (T: 045 530672)
- ✓ Online at [www.qualitygolfpassport.com](http://www.qualitygolfpassport.com)

Make sure to book your tee times at each course in advance and present your passport at each club you visit for stamping.

The passport is valid for one year from the date of purchase so you have plenty of time to experience these three very different clubs, all regarded as among the best courses in the country. However, if you feel like treating yourself to a golf blitz, our participating hotels will offer Quality Golf Passport holders a preferential rate.

Three rounds of challenging golf later, you'll have a passport stamped by the K Club, the PGA National Ireland and Carton House – the perfect souvenir of a wonderful golfing holiday!

### Participating hotels for Quality Golf Passport

**Glenroyal Hotel & Leisure Club**, Straffan Road, Maynooth, Co Kildare  
3 Star T: 01 6290909

**Hazel Hotel**, Dublin Road, Monasterevin, Co Kildare  
2 star T: 045 525373

**Clanard Court Hotel**, Dublin Road, Athy, Co Kildare  
T: 059 8640666

**Moyglare Manor Country House**, Maynooth, Co Kildare  
3 Star T: 01 6286351

**Setanta House Hotel**, Clane Road, Celbridge, Co Kildare  
3 Star T: 01 6303200/6271111

**Barberstown Castle**, Straffan, Co Kildare  
T: 01 6288157

**Osprey Hotel & Spa**, Devoy Quarter, Naas, Co Kildare  
4 Star T: 045 881111

**Ambassador Hotel**, Kill, Co Kildare  
3 Star T: 045 877064

**Harbour Hotel & Restaurant**, Newbridge Road, Naas, Co Kildare  
2 Star T: 045 879145

**The Stand House Hotel**, The Curragh, Co Kildare  
T: 045 436177

**The K Club**, Straffan, Co Kildare  
5 star T: 01 6017200

**Killashee House Hotel & Villa Spa**, Killashee, Naas, Co Kildare  
T: 045 879277

**The Courtyard Hotel**, Main Street, Leixlip, Co Kildare  
Pending Registration T: 01 6295100



## DARREN CLARKE OPENING WORDS



Darren Clarke with his prize for *Leading Irish Player* at the 2005 Smurfit European Open

Photo: Ray Kane

Playing for Europe in the Ryder Cup has been one of my most memorable golfing experiences. Since I first played in Valderrama in Spain back in 1997, I have nothing but fond memories of each contest - even when we lost in 1999!

The K Club in Straffan has been one of my happiest hunting grounds from a golf perspective and The Palmer is one of my favourite courses. I will always remember my round of 60 in 1999 but obviously my best moment was in 2001 when I won the Smurfit European Open.

In recent years other European Ryder Cup players such as my good friend Lee Westwood have tasted victory on the Palmer Course, where the Ryder Cup matches are being played, and this augurs well for Europe when the event is staged there in 2006. I for one am looking forward to qualifying and helping Europe win the cup outright for an unprecedented third consecutive occasion at the K Club. With the Ryder Cup coming to the K Club in Straffan, County Kildare, in 2006, Ireland has a fantastic opportunity to show golfers and tourists from around the world our fantastic golf courses, and also our legendary hospitality, which is second to none.

**Darren Clarke**



# COUNTY KILDARE AND WORLD CLASS GOLF

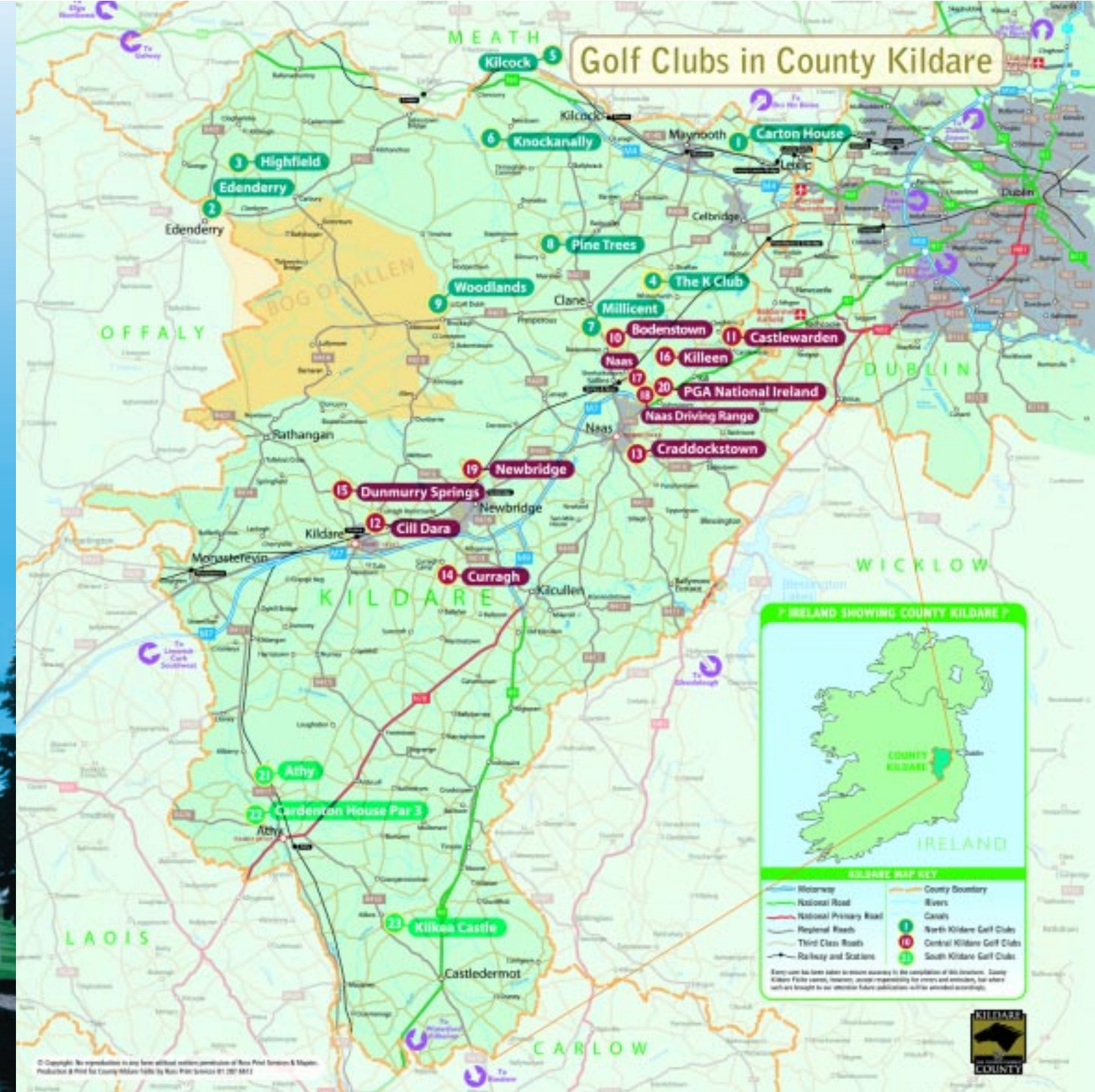
County Kildare has had a meteoric rise to fame as a top golf destination since Dr Michael Smurfit opened the K Club in the tiny village of Straffan, County Kildare, in 1991. Securing the annual European Open was the first step on the ladder. The Open has been played on the original Palmer Course from 1995 to 2003 but moved a few hundred yards within the K Club grounds to the brand new Smurfit Course for the 2004 competition.

The next step was the development of an equally prestigious venue only six miles away at Carton House, Maynooth. With the opening of The O'Meara and The Montgomerie (which hosts the Nissan Irish Open in 2005 and 2006), you can select from four excellent tests of golf, which can be ranked amongst the best courses in Ireland, within a couple of miles of each other.

County Kildare has always had a brace of excellent parkland courses, ranging from the picturesque to the novel as well as one of Ireland's oldest, The Curragh, dating from 1852. At the other extreme, a new kid on the block is the PGA National, a gorgeous new course on the Palmerstown Demesne near Johnstown, to which the PGA Ireland has given its support and name. This Christy O'Connor Jnr-designed parkland course is destined for greatness.

And now the greatest honour of all, the selection of the Palmer Course at the K Club as the host course of the 2006 Ryder Cup, a feat achieved in no small part by the work of Dr Michael Smurfit and his team. The event itself will bring 40,000 spectators per day of play and will be broadcast to millions of homes across the world. It is our golden opportunity to cement Kildare's position in the hall of fame of the great golfing destinations of the world.

The 36th Ryder Cup Matches will be played at the K Club, Straffan, Co. Kildare, Ireland, **22nd - 24th September 2006.**





How to Use This Guide

For the purposes of this guide, County Kildare has been divided into three geographical areas; **north**, **central** and **south**. Within each section, clubs and ranges are listed alphabetically. Where a club has two courses, each course is listed separately.

Green fees are 2006 rates but where these were not available, 2005 rates are given.

We have also included a limited directory of **accommodation** and **dining** options as well as a detailed county map, so you have everything you need to plan your golfing trip to County Kildare, the Ryder Cup County.

The telephone numbers printed in this guide include the local code which is the number you should dial within Ireland. If you are calling from abroad, or using a cell phone you have brought from abroad, then you should dial the international access code applicable in your country, followed by 353 (the international code for Ireland) followed by the number printed in this guide, omitting the first 0, for example, to phone the K Club from abroad, dial: your international access code 353 1 6017300

1 Carton House Golf Club - The O'Meara

Maynooth, Co Kildare  
Nearest Town: Maynooth



**T:** 01 5052000 **F:** 01 628 6555  
**E:** [reservations@carton.ie](mailto:reservations@carton.ie)  
**W:** [www.carton.ie](http://www.carton.ie)

An impeccable parkland spread, splendidly incorporating the historic demesne's rolling hills, meandering river and specimen trees. Venue for the Irish Amateur Open Championship 2005.

**Directions:** From Dublin, take the M/N4 westbound. Take the Leixlip West exit and follow the signs to Carton House Golf Club.

**Green Fees:** €75 - €135 (excluding Ryder Cup period)

**Catering Facilities:** Full catering facilities

NORTH KILDARE	
No. of Holes	18
Course Type	Parkland
Course Length	7,006 yds
Par	72
Buggy Hire	✓
Trolley Hire	✓
Club Hire	✓
Club Professional	✓
Visitors Welcome	✓
Tuition	✓
Pro Shop	✓
Accommodation (2006)	✓

1 Carton House Golf Club - The Montgomerie

Maynooth, Co Kildare  
Nearest Town: Maynooth



**T:** 01 5052000 **F:** 01 628 6555  
**E:** [reservations@carton.ie](mailto:reservations@carton.ie)  
**W:** [www.carton.ie](http://www.carton.ie)

Intelligent bunkering, intricate green complexes, contoured fairways weaving through fields of tall fescue grasses - this links style creation is championship stuff. Venue of the Nissan Irish Open 2005 and 2006.

**Description:** Directions: From Dublin, take the M/N4 westbound. Take the Leixlip West exit and follow the signs to Carton House Golf Club.

**Green Fees:** €75 - €135 (excluding Ryder Cup period)

**Catering Facilities:** Full catering facilities

No. of Holes	18
Course Type	Inland Links
Course Length	7,301 yds
Par	72
Buggy Hire	✓
Trolley Hire	✓
Club Hire	✓
Club Professional	✓
Visitors Welcome	✓
Tuition	✓
Pro Shop	✓
Accommodation (2006)	✓

2 Edenderry Golf Club

Kishawanny, Edenderry, Co Offaly  
Nearest Town: Edenderry



**T:** 046 9731072 **F:** 046 9733911  
**E:** [enquiries@edenderrygolfclub.com](mailto:enquiries@edenderrygolfclub.com)  
**W:** [www.edenderrygolfclub.com](http://www.edenderrygolfclub.com)

Since its establishment in 1940, the club has built a solid tradition upheld by its strong membership community. Continued development has ensured that the course is in excellent condition all year round. It remains a challenge to the serious golfer but is also a friendly prospect for the less experienced.

**Directions:** From M50, take M/N4 in the direction 'The West'. At Enfield roundabout, take the first exit and at the next set of traffic lights, turn left. Drive straight through the village of Johnstownbridge and continue until you reach Carbury. Turn right for Edenderry. Turn right after second traffic calming sign on approach to Edenderry. After 0.25 miles/0.5 km Edenderry Golf Club is located on the left hand side.

**Green Fees:** Mon-Fri €30; Weekend €35

**Catering Facilities:** Yes

NORTH KILDARE	
No. of Holes	18
Course Type	Parkland
Course Length	5,899 m
Par	73
Buggy Hire	✓
Trolley Hire	✓
Club Hire	✗
Club Professional	✗
Visitors Welcome	✓
Tuition	✓
Pro Shop	✗
Accommodation	✗

3 Highfield Golf Club

Carbury, Co Kildare  
Nearest Town: Edenderry



**T:** 046 973 1021 **F:** 046 973 1021  
**E:** [highfieldgolf@eircom.net](mailto:highfieldgolf@eircom.net)

A fine example of the best in traditional parkland design tucked away in the rolling Kildare countryside. The clubhouse, built in 2003 from over 700 cedar trees, is a Canadian log cabin, the first of its kind in Ireland. The first tee-box is actually on the roof!

**Directions:** From Dublin take the main Galway road (N4/M4) to Broadford Village. Turn left and Highfield is signposted (approx. 10km). The town of Edenderry is just 3km away. Naas is approx. 26km away.

**Green Fees (2005/2006):** Mon-Fri €30; Weekend €40

**Catering Facilities:** Steakhouse restaurant

No. of Holes	18
Course Type	Parkland
Course Length	6,007 yds
Par	70
Buggy Hire	✓
Trolley Hire	✓
Club Hire	✓
Club Professional	✓
Visitors Welcome	✓
Tuition	✓
Pro Shop	✓
Accommodation	✓

4 The K Club – Palmer Course

Straffan, Co Kildare  
Nearest Town: Celbridge



**T:** 01 6017300 **E:** [golf@kclub.ie](mailto:golf@kclub.ie) **W:** [www.kclub.ie](http://www.kclub.ie)

The Palmer Course, Ireland's first Ryder Cup venue, is no ordinary golf course. It has been acknowledged as the country's most challenging inland layout. The calm and peaceful surroundings reveal nothing of the fierce battles played out annually during the Smurfit European Open, nor of the revenge that may be wreaked on Europe by America in the 2006 Ryder Cup.

**Directions:** From Dublin, take the N7 (Naas Road) to intersection at Kill (village on left). Exit for Straffan. After approximately 5km turn right at the T junction. Approximately 800 m later turn left (signpost for Kildare Hotel & Country Club).

**Green Fees:** From €150 - €350 (non resident)

**Catering Facilities:** Bar snacks and full catering available in hotel or either of the clubhouses

No. of Holes	18
Course Type	Parkland
Course Length	7,337 yds
Par	72
Buggy Hire	✓
Trolley Hire	✓
Club Hire	✓
Club Professional	✓
Visitors Welcome	✓
Tuition	✓
Pro Shop	✓
Accommodation	✓

4 The K Club – Smurfit Course

Straffan, Co Kildare  
Nearest Town: Celbridge



**T:** 01 6017300 **E:** golf@kclub.ie **W:** www.kclub.ie  
The K Club's second course, The Smurfit, is an inland links characterized by dramatic dune-type mounding providing excellent vantage points from which spectators can watch the professionals at work, and the 14 acres of water which have been worked into the design especially through the final phase, holes 13 to 18.  
**Directions:** From Dublin, take the N7 (Naas Road) to intersection at Kill (village on left). Exit for Straffan. After approximately 3 miles/5km turn right at the T junction. Approximately 1/2 mile/800m later turn left (signpost for Kildare Hotel & Country Club).  
**Green Fees:** From €105 - €225 (non resident)  
**Catering Facilities:** Bar snacks and full catering available in hotel or either of the clubhouses

NORTH KILDARE	
No. of Holes	18
Course Type	Inland Links
Course Length	7,277 yds
Par	72
Buggy Hire	✓
Trolley Hire	✓
Club Hire	✓
Club Professional	✓
Visitors Welcome	✓
Tuition	✓
Pro Shop	✓
Accommodation	✓

7 Millicent Golf Club

Millicent Road, Clane, Co Kildare  
Nearest Town: Clane



**T:** 045 893279 **E:** info@millicentgolfclub.com  
**F:** 045 868369 **W:** www.millicentgolfclub.com  
Described as the driest course in Leinster, Millicent golf course offers spectacular views of the Dublin and Wicklow mountains. Although Millicent has many daunting hazards, including well placed bunkers, the river Liffey and internal lakes, it provides enjoyable golf for both accomplished and high handicap golfers.  
**Directions:** From M/N4, exit for Maynooth and follow signs for Naas (R407). At T junction, turn right onto the R403 in the direction of Clane. Drive right into the village and, heading towards Naas, take right turn after The Corner House pub. Golf club is 1 mile down this road (Millicent Road) on left.  
**Green Fees:** Midweek €35; Weekend €45  
**Catering Facilities:** Sandwiches and soup. Full facilities by 2006.

NORTH KILDARE	
No. of Holes	18
Course Type	Parkland
Course Length	7,045 yds
Par	73
Buggy Hire	✓
Trolley Hire	✓
Club Hire	✓
Club Professional	✗
Visitors Welcome	✓
Tuition	✗
Pro Shop	✗
Accommodation	✗

5 Kilcock Golf Club

Gallow, Kilcock, Co Kildare  
Nearest Town: Kilcock



**T:** 01 628 7592 / 628 4074 **F:** 01 628 7283  
**E:** kilcockgolfclub@eircom.net  
**W:** www.kilcockgolfclub.com  
An undulating 18 hole course, spotted with mature trees and some water hazards. Very fast greens with subtle breaks test the best.  
**Directions:** Kilcock golf club is situated just 2 miles from Kilcock just off the N4 (main Dublin to Galway road). From the M4, take the exit for Kilcock. After 200 yards take a right and then the first left. Golf course is on this road approx 1 mile from the crossroads.  
**Green Fees:** Mon-Thu €25; Fri €32; Sat-Sun €35  
**Catering Facilities:** Full catering and bar facilities

No. of Holes	18
Course Type	Parkland
Course Length	5,812 m
Par	72
Buggy Hire	✓
Trolley Hire	✓
Club Hire	✗
Club Professional	✗
Visitors Welcome	✓
Tuition	✗
Pro Shop	✗
Accommodation	✗

8 Pine Trees Golf Course

Kilmurray, Clane, Co Kildare  
Nearest Town: Clane



**T:** 045 869525  
**E:** pinetrees@eircom.ie / paraicdaly@eircom.net  
The course provides an interesting challenge with hazards of trees, bunkers and two dykes which trisect the course offering you the choice of 'laying up' or 'going for it' on plenty of occasions. Pine Trees has been described as an "undiscovered oasis".  
**Directions:** From Dublin, take the M/N4 exit for Maynooth, follow signs for Naas (R406). At the T junction, turn right onto the R403. Continue into the village of Clane. At the Mace supermarket, turn right (there is a sign for Pinetrees). Golf club 4.4 km along this road.  
**Green Fees:** Weekday €12; Weekend €15

No. of Holes	18
Course Type	Parkland
Course Length	5,592 yds
Par	71
Buggy Hire	✗
Trolley Hire	✓
Club Hire	✗
Club Professional	✗
Visitors Welcome	✓
Tuition	✗
Pro Shop	✗
Accommodation	✗

6 Knockanally Golf Club

Donadea, Co Kildare  
Nearest Town: Enfield



**T:** 045 869322 **F:** 045 869322  
**E:** golf@knockanally.com **W:** www.knockanally.com  
This championship golf course stands on 120 acres of parkland with many water hazards and stately, mature trees. Christy O'Connor Snr once described the opening hole here as 'the most difficult opening hole in golf'. Knockanally hosted the Irish International Professional Matchplay Championship 1987-89 and the Irish Club Professional Championship in 1994.  
**Directions:** From Dublin, follow signs for the N4/M4 to Galway and the West. The motorway ends after Kilcock is bypassed, but stay on the road (now N4) and approximately 7 km later, Knockanally will be signposted to the left. From the west, traveling on N4, shortly after the roundabout on the Dublin side of Enfield, look out for the golf club sign on your right.  
**Green Fees (2005):** Weekday €35; Weekend €50  
**Catering Facilities:** Bar and restaurant

No. of Holes	18
Course Type	Parkland
Course Length	6,424 yds
Par	72
Buggy Hire	✓
Trolley Hire	✓
Club Hire	✓
Club Professional	✓
Visitors Welcome	✓
Tuition	✓
Pro Shop	✓
Accommodation	✗

9 Woodlands Golf Course

Cooleragh, Coill Dubh, Naas, Co Kildare  
Nearest Town: Naas



**T:** 045 860777 **E:** woodlandsgolfclub@eircom.net  
**E:** www.woodlandsgolf.ie  
Kildare's best kept secret! Play challenging golf in a warm and friendly atmosphere. Our picturesque course includes a diversity of lakes, trees, and hillocks and is only 15 minutes drive from the K Club.  
**Directions:** From Dublin, take the M/N4 and exit at Kilcock. Follow signs for Clane (R407) and in Clane, turn right before The Corner House pub, following signs for Prosperous and Allenwood. Go straight through Prosperous. Turn right at Dag Weld's pub. Woodlands golf club is on the left approximately 1 mile from the crossroads in the village of Coill Dubh.  
**Green Fees:** Mon-Wed €25; Thur-Fri €30; W/ends & BH €35  
**Catering Facilities:** Catering available weekends, snacks mid-week. New clubhouse opening end 2005.

No. of Holes	18
Course Type	Parkland
Course Length	5,924 m
Par	72
Buggy Hire	✗
Trolley Hire	✓
Club Hire	✗
Club Professional	✗
Visitors Welcome	✓
Tuition	✗
Pro Shop	✓
Accommodation	✗



10 Bodenstown Golf Club - The Bodenstown Course

Bodenstown, Sallins, Co Kildare  
Nearest Town: Naas



T: 045 897096 F: 045 898126  
E: btgolf@indigo.ie

Bodenstown consists of two superb 18-hole courses. The Bodenstown Course, measuring 6,132 metres is one of the finest inland tests of golf in Leinster. The Ladyhill Course measuring 5,618 metres is a little shorter but still affords a fair challenge.

**Directions:** From Dublin, follow signs for N7 to Limerick and Cork. On the N7, at the intersection at Kill, take the right turn for Straffan and the first left turn. The golf club is 4km along this road on the right hand side.

**Green Fees:** €20

**Catering Facilities:** Full bar and catering facilities

CENTRAL KILDARE	
No. of Holes	18
Course Type	Parkland
Course Length	6,132 m
Par	72
Buggy Hire	✓
Trolley Hire	✓
Club Hire	✓
Club Professional	✗
Visitors Welcome	✓
Tuition	✗
Pro Shop	✗
Accommodation	✗

12 Cill Dara Golf Club

Little Curragh, Kildare, Co Kildare  
Nearest Town: Kildare



T: 045 52129 T: 045 531 749  
E: cilldaragc@eircom.net

A nine hole, flat, parkland course with 18 tees, 35 par front nine, 36 par back nine, friendly, hospitable staff, excellent catering and a genuine golf challenge.

**Directions:** On the M7, exit at junction 10 for Newbridge and The Curragh Racecourse. Follow R413 in the direction of Rathangan and follow signs for Cill Dara Golf Club from the T junction.

**Green Fees (2005):** €20 weekdays; €25 weekend

**Catering Facilities:** Full catering facilities

CENTRAL KILDARE	
No. of Holes	9
Course Type	Parkland
Course Length	-
Par	71
Buggy Hire	✓
Trolley Hire	✓
Club Hire	✓
Club Professional	✓
Visitors Welcome	✓
Tuition	✓
Pro Shop	✓
Accommodation	✗

10 Bodenstown Golf Club - The Ladyhill Course

Bodenstown, Sallins, Co Kildare  
Nearest Town: Naas



T: 045 897096 F: 045 898126  
E: btgolf@indigo.ie

Bodenstown consists of two superb 18-hole courses. The Bodenstown Course, measuring 6,132 metres is one of the finest inland tests of golf in Leinster. The Ladyhill Course measuring 5,618 metres is a little shorter but still affords a fair challenge.

**Directions:** From Dublin, follow signs for N7 to Limerick and Cork. On the N7, at the intersection at Kill, take the right turn for Straffan and the first left turn. The golf club is 4km along this road on the right hand side.

**Green Fees:** €17

**Catering Facilities:** Full bar and catering facilities

No. of Holes	18
Course Type	Parkland
Course Length	5,618 m
Par	72
Buggy Hire	✓
Trolley Hire	✓
Club Hire	✓
Club Professional	✗
Visitors Welcome	✓
Tuition	✗
Pro Shop	✗
Accommodation	✗

13 Craddockstown Golf Club

Blessington Road, Naas, Co Kildare  
Nearest Town: Naas



T: 045 897610 F: 045 896968  
E: gaynolan@craddockstown.com  
W: www.craddockstown.com

18 parkland holes with four challenging par 3's. Each hole has its own feature and shape which provides an enjoyable challenge to all golfers.

**Directions:** Craddockstown Golf Club is situated on the Blessington Road (R410) just outside the town of Naas. From Dublin, take the N7 in the direction of Limerick and Cork and take the first exit for Naas. Follow signs for Naas, but get into the left filter lane at the first set of traffic lights, turn left onto Blessington Road. Golf club on right, approximately 1.5 km from the lights.

**Green Fees:** Mon–Thu €38; Fri €40; Sat–Sun €45

**Catering Facilities:** Full catering facilities

No. of Holes	18
Course Type	Parkland
Course Length	6,133 m
Par	72
Buggy Hire	✓
Trolley Hire	✓
Club Hire	✗
Club Professional	✗
Visitors Welcome	✓
Tuition	✓
Pro Shop	✗
Accommodation	✗

11 Castlewarden Golf & Country Club

Castlewarden, Straffan, Co Kildare  
Nearest Town: Kill



T: 01 4589254 F: 01 4588972  
E: info@castlewardengolfclub.com  
W: www.castlewardengolfclub.com

A well-respected 18 hole golf course set in 150 acres of fine parkland. With 6,690 yards of length and a par of 72, this course offers a fair challenge to all golfers. Conveniently located just off the N7 on the way to the village of Straffan, it is easily accessible to visitors from all parts of Dublin and surrounding counties.

**Directions:** From Dublin, take N7 in the direction of Limerick/ Cork and exit at the Castlewarden interchange, following signs for Ardclough. Golf club situated close to interchange.

**Green Fees (2005):** Mon–Fri €35, Weekends €45

**Catering Facilities:** Full bar & catering

No. of Holes	18
Course Type	Parkland
Course Length	6,690 yds
Par	72
Buggy Hire	✓
Trolley Hire	✓
Club Hire	✓
Club Professional	✓
Visitors Welcome	✓
Tuition	✓
Pro Shop	✓
Accommodation	✗

14 Curragh Golf Club

The Curragh, Co Kildare  
Nearest Town: Newbridge



T: 045 441714 F: 045 442476  
E: curraghgolf@eircom.net  
W: www.curraghgolf.com

Undulating parkland course located three miles south of Newbridge on County Kildare's unique plain, the Curragh. The club was founded in 1883, and the course is the oldest in Ireland, dating from 1852.

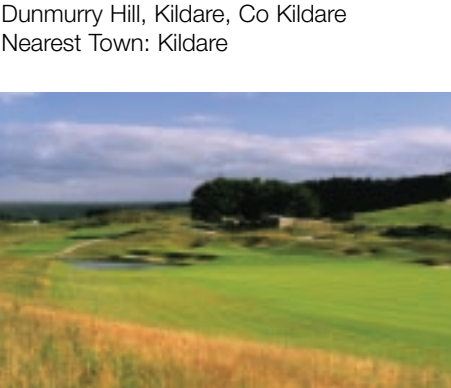
**Directions:** From the N/M7 Dublin to Cork/Limerick motorway, exit at Newbridge/Curragh Racecourse interchange. Take left exit at roundabout then right at the first junction (Lumville). Signposted from the motorway.

**Green Fees (2005):** Weekdays €30; W/end & BH €40

**Catering Facilities:** Bar and restaurant

No. of Holes	18
Course Type	Heath
Course Length	6,035 m
Par	72
Buggy Hire	✗
Trolley Hire	✓
Club Hire	✓
Club Professional	✓
Visitors Welcome	✓
Tuition	✓
Pro Shop	✓
Accommodation	✗

15 Dunmurry Springs Golf Club



Dunmurry Hill, Kildare, Co Kildare  
Nearest Town: Kildare

**T:** 045 531400 **F:** 045 521595  
**E:** info@dunmurrysprings.ie **W:** www.dunmurrysprings.ie

This impressive championship level golf course is characterised by movement through variety in direction, changes in elevation and spectacular views, enhanced by water, no penal rough and great scenery.

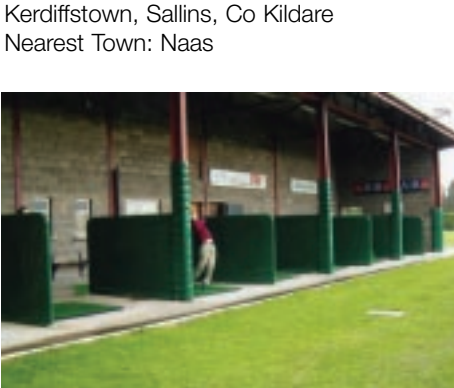
**Directions:** From Dublin, follow the M7 by-passing Naas and Newbridge. Leave the M7 at exit 10 following signs for The Curragh Racecourse. Follow the road (R413) behind the racecourse stands into Kildare Town. On reaching a set of traffic lights continue straight through following the R401. Dunmurry Springs is 2 miles from this point.

**Green Fees:** €40 - €80

**Catering Facilities:** Clubhouse opening Spring 2006

CENTRAL KILDARE	
No. of Holes	18
Course Type	Parkland
Course Length	7,000 yds
Par	72
Buggy Hire	✓
Trolley Hire	✓
Club Hire	✓
Club Professional	✓
Visitors Welcome	✓
Tuition	✓
Pro Shop	✓
Accommodation	✗

18 Naas Golf Range



Kerdiffstown, Sallins, Co Kildare  
Nearest Town: Naas

**T:** 045 874489

Fabulous driving range with floodlighting, covered bay, outdoor bays, practice area, putting green, and pitch and putt. Three professionals attached.

**Directions:** Situated beside Naas Golf Club, 3 miles from Naas, 1 mile from Johnstown, 1 mile from Sallins and 7 miles from the K Club.

**Cost:** Automatic €2 coin ball dispenser.

**Catering Facilities:** Snacks available.

CENTRAL KILDARE	
No. of Holes	-
Course Type	-
Course Length	-
Par	-
Buggy Hire	✗
Trolley Hire	✗
Club Hire	✓
Club Professional	✓
Visitors Welcome	✓
Tuition	✓
Pro Shop	✗
Accommodation	✗

16 Killeen Golf Club



Kill, Co Kildare  
Nearest Town: Naas

**T:** 045 866003 **F:** 045 875881  
**E:** admin@killeengc.ie

Killeen is set on 110 acres of beautiful, flat pastureland. The use of water in seven holes makes this course, created to meet full USPGA specifications, a challenge for all golfers.

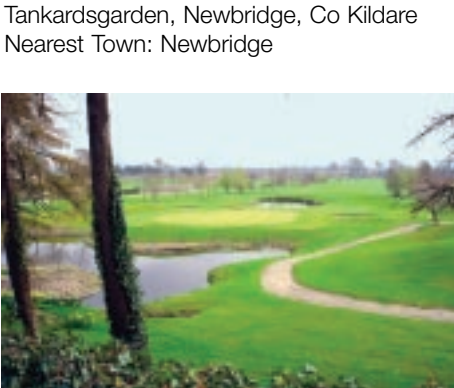
**Directions:** From Dublin, take the N7 in the direction of Limerick/Cork. Exit at the Kill intersection and follow signs for Straffan. Killeen Golf Club is signposted off this road.

**Green Fees (2005):** Mon-Thu €35; Fri €40; W/end €50

**Catering Facilities:** Restaurant

No. of Holes	18
Course Type	Parkland
Course Length	6,732 yds
Par	72
Buggy Hire	✓
Trolley Hire	✓
Club Hire	✓
Club Professional	✗
Visitors Welcome	✓
Tuition	✗
Pro Shop	✓
Accommodation	✗

19 Newbridge Golf Club



Tankardsgarden, Newbridge, Co Kildare  
Nearest Town: Newbridge

**T:** 045 486110 **F:** 045 446840  
**E:** newbridgegolfclub@eircom.net  
**W:** www.newbridgegolfclub.com

A challenging and picturesque course known for its wildlife. Enjoy the peaceful and relaxed atmosphere. The course has USPGA sand greens in place and is affiliated with the Golfing Union of Ireland.

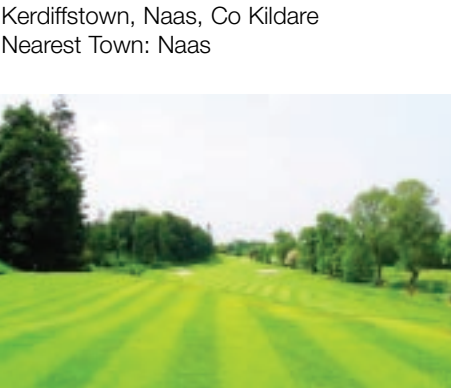
**Directions:** From Dublin, follow signs for N/M7 Limerick, Cork. Exit for Naas/Newbridge and take the R445 to Newbridge. At junction on bridge on approach to town, turn right and follow the road around Newbridge College for a mile. Take the second left, over the railway bridge.

**Green Fees:** Weekday €22; Weekend €24

**Catering Facilities:** Bar facilities. Catering by arrangement.

No. of Holes	18
Course Type	Parkland
Course Length	5,960 m
Par	72
Buggy Hire	✓
Trolley Hire	✓
Club Hire	✓
Club Professional	✗
Visitors Welcome	✓
Tuition	✗
Pro Shop	✓
Accommodation	✗

17 Naas Golf Club



Kerdiffstown, Naas, Co Kildare  
Nearest Town: Naas

**T:** 045 874644 **F:** 045 896109  
**E:** naasgolfclubisdn@eircom.net  
**W:** www.naasgolfclub.com

Recently re-developed parkland course with sand-based greens, water hazards and undulating terrain. An excellent challenge for all levels of skill.

**Directions:** Located 4 miles from Naas off N7 at Johnstown. Exit at the Johnstown interchange and follow signs for Kerdiffstown/Sallins

**Green Fees:** Weekday €40; W/end & BH €45

**Catering Facilities:** Full catering facilities

No. of Holes	18
Course Type	Parkland
Course Length	6,278 yds
Par	71
Buggy Hire	✗
Trolley Hire	✓
Club Hire	✗
Club Professional	✗
Visitors Welcome	✓
Tuition	✗
Pro Shop	✗
Accommodation	✗

20 PGA National Ireland



Palmerstown House, Johnstown, Co Kildare  
Nearest Town: Naas

**T:** 045 871404 **F:** 045 871377  
**E:** pganational@palmerstownhouse.com  
**W:** www.palmerstownhouse.com

Situated in the beautiful surroundings of the Palmerstown Estate, a former stud farm, the course has the distinction of being the home of the PGA in Ireland, putting it on the same footing as The Belfry and Gleneagles in the UK. This gorgeous parkland course is set to take its place as one of Europe's best.

**Directions:** From Dublin, follow signs for N/M7 Limerick/Cork. Exit at Johnstown interchange, and follow signs for PGA National Ireland.

**Green Fees:** €100 - €175

**Catering Facilities:** Dining facilities for up to 300 people

No. of Holes	18
Course Type	Parkland
Course Length	7,419 yds
Par	72
Buggy Hire	✓
Trolley Hire	✓
Club Hire	✓
Club Professional	✓
Visitors Welcome	✓
Tuition	✓
Pro Shop	✓
Accommodation	✗



## 21 Athy Golf Club

Geraldine, Athy, Co Kildare  
Nearest Town: Athy



**T:** 059 8631729   **F:** 059 8634710  
**E:** info@athygolfclub.com   **W:** www.athygolfclub.com

The River Moneen flows through the course and it is now a major feature. The finishing holes are very tough, however the course overall is a fair test of golf to all categories of players.

**Directions:** From Dublin, follow signs for the N/M7 to Limerick/Cork. Exit for N9 (Carlow, Kilkenny) and take the N78 at the Kilcullen interchange. On the approach to Athy, pass the GAA grounds on left and turn right at next lights, following sign for Kildare. From south, drive through Athy and take left at lights after the cemetery (Kildare road). Golf club is approx 1.5 km from lights on right.

**Green Fees:** Mon–Fri €40; Sat & Bank Holiday €40

**Catering Facilities:** Restaurant on site

### SOUTH KILDARE

No. of Holes	18
Course Type	Parkland
Course Length	6,475 m
Par	72
Buggy Hire	✓
Trolley Hire	✓
Club Hire	✗
Club Professional	✗
Visitors Welcome	✓
Tuition	✗
Pro Shop	✗
Accommodation	✗

## 22 Cardenton House Par 3

Cardenton, Athy, Co Kildare  
Nearest Town: Athy



**T:** 059 8631728   **F:** 059 8634602  
**E:** info@athypar3.com   **W:** www.athypar3.com

Cardenton House Par 3 Golf Course is set in 50 acres of maturing parkland alongside the Grand Canal overlooking the beautiful Kildare countryside. Water features and bunkers provide a challenge to golfers of all levels.

**Directions:** Approx 40 miles from Dublin. By-pass Naas and Kilcullen and go through Athy. Cardenton House Par 3 is 1km from the town centre on the Portlaoise Road, on right-hand side.

**Green Fees:** Weekend €9; Mid-Week €7.50

**Catering Facilities:** Available nearby.

No. of Holes	18
Course Type	Parkland
Course Length	3,000 yds
Par	56
Buggy Hire	✗
Trolley Hire	✓
Club Hire	✓
Club Professional	✗
Visitors Welcome	✓
Tuition	✗
Pro Shop	✗
Accommodation	✗

## 23 Kilkea Castle Golf Club

Castledermot, Co Kildare  
Nearest Town: Castledermot



**T:** 059 9145555   **F:** 059 9145505  
**E:** kilkeagolfclub@eircom.net  
**W:** www.kilkeacastlehotelgolf.com

This course has been developed in the magnificent setting of the oldest inhabited castle in Ireland. The imaginative use of the River Griese provides a natural hazard at several holes, while two lakes and strategic bunkers add to the golfing challenge. Kilkea Castle is renowned for the immaculate condition of its tees and greens. The clubhouse facilities make preparation to play and post game relaxation an absolute pleasure.

**Directions:** Accessible either from the N9 by taking the R418 signposted Athy at Castledermot, or from Athy, taking the turn signposted Castledermot (R418) off the N78 (Dublin Road).

**Green Fees:** Mon–Thu €40; Fri–Sun €50

**Catering Facilities:** Hole in One Bistro

No. of Holes	18
Course Type	Parkland
Course Length	6,097 m
Par	70
Buggy Hire	✓
Trolley Hire	✓
Club Hire	✓
Club Professional	✗
Visitors Welcome	✓
Tuition	✓
Pro Shop	✓
Accommodation	✓

## Accommodation Listing

### NORTH KILDARE

#### CLANE

##### B&B, FARMHOUSE

##### Silverspring House

Firmount, Clane, Naas, Co Kildare

**T:** 045 868481

**F:** 045 892246

**E:** silverspring02@hotmail.com

##### B&B, COUNTRY HOME

##### Shriff Lodge

Painstown, Clane, Co Kildare

**T/F:** 045 869282

**E:** shriff lodge@eircom.net

Homepage.eircom.net/~shriff lodge

#### EDENDERRY

##### B&B, TOWN HOME

##### Auburn Lodge

Colonel Perry Street, Edenderry, Co Offaly

**T:** 046 9731319

**E:** auburnlodge@eircom.net

#### JOHNSTOWN BRIDGE

##### HOTEL

##### The Hamlet Court Hotel

Johnstownbridge, Nr. Enfield, Co Kildare

**T:** 046 9541200

**E:** denise@thehamlet.ie

www.thehamlet.ie

#### LEIXLIP

##### HOTEL, 3 STAR

##### Leixlip House Hotel

Captain's Hill, Leixlip, Co Kildare

**T:** 01 6242268

**F:** 01 6244177

**E:** info@leixliphouse.com

www.leixliphouse.com

##### HOTEL, 3 STAR

##### Springfield Hotel

Leixlip, Co Kildare

**T:** 01 4581100

**F:** 01 4581246

**E:** reception@springfieldhotel.ie

www.springfieldhotel.ie

##### B&B, COUNTRY HOME

##### Heatherville

Shaughlin's Glen, Confey, Leixlip, Co Kildare

**T:** 01 6245156/6060923

**E:** forans@iol.ie

#### MAYNOOTH

##### B&B, COUNTRY HOME

##### Aaronbeg B&B

Moyglare, Maynooth, Co Kildare

**T:** 01 6292074

**E:** aaronbeg@eircom.net

www.aaronbeg.com

##### HOTEL, 3 STAR

##### Glenroyal Hotel & Leisure Club

Straffan Road, Maynooth, Co Kildare

**T:** 01 6290909

**F:** 01 6290919

**E:** info@glenroyal.ie

www.glenroyal.ie



ROBERTSTOWN

SELF CATERING, 3 STAR

**Robertstown Holiday Village**  
Robertstown, Naas, Co Kildare  
**T:** 045 870870/087 2774394  
**F:** 045 870869  
**E:** info@robertstownholidayvillage.com  
www.robertstownholidayvillage.com

STRAFFAN

HOTEL

**Barberstown Castle**  
Straffan, Co Kildare  
**T:** 01 6288157  
**F:** 01 6277027  
**E:** barberstowncastle@ireland.com  
www.barberstowncastle.ie

CENTRAL KILDARE

THE CURRAGH

B&B, FARMHOUSE

**Eagle Hill Farmhouse**  
Eagle Hill, Suncroft, The Curragh, Co Kildare  
**T:** 045 526097

HOTEL

**The Stand House Hotel**  
The Curragh, Co Kildare  
**T:** 045 436177  
**F:** 045 436180  
**E:** sales@standhousehotel.com  
www.standhousehotel.com

SELF-CATERING, 4 STAR

**Rustic Rest**  
Martinstown, The Curragh, Co Kildare  
**T:** 045 441743  
**E:** info@rusticrest.ie  
www.rusticrest.ie

SELF-CATERING, 4 STAR

**Thorndyke Farm**  
Maddenstown, The Curragh, Co Kildare  
**T:** 087 6539400  
**E:** thorndykefarm@eircom.net  
www.thorndykefarm.ie

JOHNSTOWN

SELF-CATERING, 4 STAR

**Ashwell Cottage**  
Toberton, Johnstown, Naas, Co Kildare  
**T:** 045 879167  
**E:** phyllisburke@eircom.net

KILDARE

B&B, COUNTRY HOME

**Kildare B&B**  
Monasterevin Road, Kildare, Co Kildare  
**T:** 045 521777  
**E:** christinemhassett@eircom.net  
www.kildarebedandbreakfast.com

KILL

B&B, COUNTRY HOME

**Olthove House**  
Newtown, Kill, Co Kildare  
**T:** 045 877022  
**E:** ollthove@eircom.net  
www.olthovehouse.com

HOTEL, 3 STAR

**Ambassador Hotel**  
Kill, Co Kildare  
**T:** 045 877064  
**F:** 045 877515  
**E:** sales@ambassadorhotelkildare.com  
www.ambassadorhotelkildare.com

MONASTEREVIN

B&B, FARMHOUSE

**Cloncarlin House**  
Nurney Road, Monasterevin, Co Kildare  
**T:** 045 525722  
**E:** marie@cloncarlinhouse.com  
www.cloncarlin.com

HOTEL, 2 STAR

**Hazel Hotel**  
Dublin Road, Monasterevin, Co Kildare  
**T:** 045 525373  
**F:** 045 525810  
**E:** sales@hazelhotel.com  
www.hazelhotel.com

NAAS

B&B, TOWN HOME

**Avondale**  
Dublin Road, Naas, Co Kildare  
**T:** 045 876254  
**E:** kinanev@indigo.ie

B&B, TOWN HOME

**Norcenni**  
Boreen Lusk, Sallins Road, Naas, Co Kildare  
**T:** 045 875014  
**E:** norcenni@hotmail.com

HOTEL, 2 STAR

**Harbour Hotel & Restaurant**  
Newbridge Road, Naas, Co Kildare  
**T:** 045 879145  
**F:** 045 874002

NEWBRIDGE

B&B, COUNTRY HOME

**Bronville B&B**  
Ladytown, Newbridge, Co Kildare  
**T:** 045 434024  
**F:** 045 866494

GUEST HOUSE, 3 STAR

**The Gables Guest House & Leisure Centre**  
Ryston, Newbridge, Co Kildare  
**T:** 045 435330  
**F:** 045 435355  
**E:** gablesguesthse@ireland.com

HOTEL, 4 STAR

**Keadeen Hotel**  
Curragh Road, Newbridge, Co Kildare  
**T:** 045 431666  
**F:** 045 434402  
**E:** keadeen@iol.ie  
www.keadeenhotel.kildare.ie

SELF-CATERING, 3 STAR

**Borahard Lodge**  
Newbridge, Co Kildare  
**T:** 045 431474/087 6881625  
**E:** borahardlodge@eircom.net

SALLINS

SELF-CATERING, 4 STAR

**Sandymount Lodge**  
Sallins, Naas, Co Kildare  
**T:** 045 897297  
**F:** 045 889749

SOUTH KILDARE

ATHY

B&B, FARMHOUSE

Moate Lodge

Off Dublin Road, Athy, Co Kildare  
T: 059 8626137  
F: 059 8626109  
E: marypelin@moatelodge.com  
www.moatelodge.com

B&B, FARMHOUSE

Pill Lodge

Belan, Moone, Athy, Co Kildare  
T: 059 8624147  
E: sylviacoyle@eircom.net

HOTEL

Clanard Court Hotel

Dublin Road, Athy, Co Kildare  
T: 059 8640666  
F: 059 8640888  
E: reception@clanardcourt.ie  
www.clanardcourt.ie

SELF-CATERING, 3 STAR

Leinster Lodge

Athy, Co Kildare  
T: 059 8631706  
F: 059 8632166  
E: leinsterlodge@eircom.net  
Homepage.eircom.net/~worldmaps

SELF-CATERING 4 STAR

The Mill Holiday Homes

Mill House, Levitstown, Athy, Co Kildare  
T: 059 9145385  
F: 059 9145510  
E: millhouse@oceanfree.net

KILKEA

B&B, HISTORIC HOUSE

Kilkea Lodge Farm

Kilkea, Castledermot, Co Kildare  
T/F: 059 9145112  
E: migreene@indigo.ie  
www.kilkealodge.com

B&B, COUNTRY HOUSE

The White House

Kilkea, Castledermot, Co Kildare  
T/F: 059 9145532  
E: whitehouse@utvinternet.com

HOTEL, 4 STAR

Kilkea Castle Hotel

Castledermot, Co Kildare  
T: 059 9145156  
F: 059 9145187  
E: kilkea@iol.ie  
www.kilkeacastle.ie



**CAFÉ:** open during the day only and usually not licensed to sell alcohol (unless indicated in the guide).

**PUB SERVING FOOD:** it is usually possible to get a good variety of hot meals as well as sandwiches and soup in pubs serving food. They are fully licensed (licensed to sell wine, lager and spirits), and may operate table service or self-service.

**RESTAURANT:** generally speaking you should expect to pay more (and get a higher level of service) in a restaurant than a pub serving food. Table service is the norm. Restaurants are either licensed to sell wine only or fully licensed as indicated in the guide.

**HOTEL:** in Ireland hotels tend to serve snacks in the lobby area, hot food in the lounge bar, and often in a more formal restaurant also. Many hotels operate what is known as a ‘carvery’ which is a hot-food counter at which roast meats are carved and served with potatoes and vegetables as you queue up.

NORTH KILDARE

CELBRIDGE

HOTEL

The Folly Bar

Setanta House Hotel, Clane Road, Celbridge, Co Kildare  
T: 01 6303200  
F: 01 6012925  
E: sales@setantahousehotel.com  
www.setantahousehotel.com  
Cuisine Type: Daytime carvery, evening steakhouse

CLANE

RESTAURANT, LICENSED

The Flaming Wok

Woods Centre, Clane, Co Kildare  
T: 045 861741  
F: 045 860960  
www.leadingrestaurants.com  
Cuisine type: Chinese food including seafood, also steaks and healthy steamed options

PUB SERVING FOOD

Jones Bar

Main Street, Clane, Co Kildare  
T: 045 868215  
F: 045 893667  
Cuisine type: European

CAFÉ/RESTAURANT, WINE LICENCE

Zest

Clane Shopping Centre, Main Street, Clane, Co Kildare  
T: 045 893222  
E: zestcafeclane@eircom.net  
Cuisine Type: European



LEIXLIP

HOTEL

Becketts

Cooldrinagh House, Leixlip, Co Kildare  
T: 01 6247040  
F: 01 6247072  
Cuisine type: International

MAYNOOTH

PUB SERVING FOOD/RESTAURANT, LICENSED

Restaurant Nua

Newtown Inn, Meadowbrook Road, Maynooth, Co Kildare  
T: 01 6291904  
E: restaurantnua@eircom.net  
Cuisine type: Bar food in Newtown Inn, modern Irish cuisine in Restaurant Nua

HOTEL

Saints Bar & Bistro and Lemongrass

Glenroyal Hotel & Leisure Club, Straffan Road, Maynooth, Co Kildare  
T: 01 6290909  
F: 01 6290919  
E: hotel@glenroyal.ie  
www.glenroyal.ie  
Cuisine type: Traditional and European (Saints), Thai (Lemongrass)

RESTAURANT, WINE LICENCE

Stone Haven Restaurant

Mill Street, Maynooth, Co Kildare  
T: 01 6291220  
F: 01 6291231  
E: stonehavenrest@eircom.net  
www.leadingrestaurants.com  
Cuisine type: International



MOYVALLEY

PUB SERVING FOOD

**Furey’s Bar**  
Moyvalley, Co Kildare  
**T:** 046 9551185  
Cuisine type: Home-cooked Irish food. Steaks & fresh fish specials daily.  
Open 12 noon – 8pm. Mon to Sat. No food served Sunday.

STRAFFAN

HOTEL

**Barberstown Castle Restaurant**  
Straffan, Co Kildare  
**T:** 01 6288157  
**E:** barberstowncastle@ireland.com  
www.barberstowncastle.ie  
Cuisine type: Fine dining. A blend of French and Irish cuisines

CENTRAL KILDARE

JOHNSTOWN

PUB SERVING FOOD/RESTAURANT

**The Johnstown Inn**  
Johnstown, Co Kildare  
**T:** 045 897547  
**E:** johnstowninn@eircom.net  
www.johnstowninn.com  
Cuisine type: International

KILDARE

RESTAURANT, WINE LICENCE

**Annamar’s**  
Station Road, Kildare Town, Co. Kildare  
**T:** 045 522899  
www.annamars.site.voila.fr.  
Cuisine type: French/Irish

PUB SERVING FOOD/RESTAURANT, LICENSED

**The Silken Thomas**  
The Square, Kildare Town, 10 Kildare  
**T:** 045 522232  
**E:** silkenthomas@eircom.net  
www.silkenthomas.com  
Cuisine type: Carvery in bar. Irish/French cuisine in Chapter 16 restaurant

NAAS

RESTAURANT, WINE LICENCE

**Maloti Indian Cuisine**  
3 New Road, Naas, Co Kildare  
**T:** 045 883660  
**F:** 045 883707  
www.maloti.ie  
Type of cuisine: Indian

RESTAURANT, LICENSED

**Storehouse Restaurant**  
Friary Lane, Naas, Co Kildare  
**T:** 045 889333  
**E:** storehouse@iolfree.ie  
Cuisine type: Traditional

RESTAURANT, LICENSED

**Pasta Fresca**  
13 South Main Street, Naas, Co Kildare  
**T:** 045 901542  
**F:** 045 901546  
**E:** info@pastafresca.ie  
Cuisine type: Italian

NEWBRIDGE

HOTEL

**The Keadeen Hotel**  
Curragh Road, Newbridge, Co Kildare  
**T:** 045 431666  
**E:** sales@keadeen.iol.ie  
www.keadeenhotelkildare.ie  
Type of cuisine: Bar food. International cuisine in The Derby Room restaurant.

RESTAURANT, WINE LICENCE

**The Palace Chinese**  
Moorefield Road Shopping Arcade, Newbridge, Co Kildare  
**T:** 045 434109  
Type of cuisine: Chinese

PUB SERVING FOOD/RESTAURANT

**Swifts Bar & Restaurant**  
Main Street, Newbridge, Co Kildare  
**T:** 045 433234  
Type of cuisine: European/Irish

SALLINS

PUB SERVING FOOD

**The Bridgewater Inn**  
Sallins, Co Kildare  
**T:** 045 880681  
Cuisine type: High class lounge menu

SOUTH KILDARE

ATHY

CAFÉ, LICENSED

**The Unicorns**  
4 Stanhope Street, Athy, Co Kildare  
**T:** 059 8632996  
**F:** 059 8634947  
**E:** unicorns-semra@hotmail.com  
Type of cuisine: Daytime, Danish pancake house. Evenings, bistro food with Mediterranean influence

CASTLEDERMOT

RESTAURANT, WINE LICENCE

**Ffrench’s Restaurant at the Schoolhouse**  
Main Street, Castledermot, Co Kildare  
**T:** 059 9144099  
**E:** info@theschoolhouse.ie  
www.theschoolhouse.ie  
Type of cuisine: specialising in fresh, locally sourced foods (organic and free range where possible)

MOONE

PUB SERVING FOOD/RESTAURANT, LICENSED

**Moone High Cross Inn**  
Moone, Athy, Co Kildare  
**T:** 059 8624112  
**E:** mhc@utvinternet.com  
Cuisine type: Home-cooked traditional Irish food

# Ryder Cup Race Day at the Curragh

**STOP PRESS!**  
Ryder Cup Race Day at The Curragh Racecourse featuring the Goffs Million  
The first race day to be part of the official Ryder Cup programme will take place at the world famous Curragh Racecourse on Tuesday 19th September. The day will provide a fun and exciting addition to what is without doubt the high point in the Irish sporting calendar in 2006.

Experience great racing, featuring the Goffs Million, Europe’s richest 2yo race and enjoy the spectacle as we showcase the thoroughbred industry to the world with a variety of exciting promotions. The 1st of 7 races takes place at 2pm thus giving you the opportunity to visit the K Club in the morning and then come racing in the afternoon.

Admission from €15. Children under 15 free  
Students/Senior Citizens €8  
20% Group sales discount  
A variety of hospitality and restaurant packages are available.

For further information:  
**T: 045 441205**  
**E: info@curragh.ie**  
or visit **www.curragh.ie**



Activities for non golfers



THE THRILL OF A DAY AT THE RACES

At one of Kildare's three racecourses; Naas, Punchestown and The Curragh.

BROWSE THE BOUTIQUES

Or try outlet shopping at its best at Kildare Village where you'll find luxury brands at up to 60% off.



ENJOY A HEALING MASSAGE

Or any of a wide range of treatments at one of County Kildare's world class spas.

OBJETS D'ART

Pick up a unique souvenir from a local craftsperson working in pewter, wrought iron, glass, bog oak, silver or wood.



STILL WATERS

County Kildare has 75 miles of canals and rivers for fishing, canoeing or simply walking alongside.



Activities for non golfers



THE FINEST HOUSE IN IRELAND

This was said about Castletown House, Celbridge, but there are other great houses which whisper the secrets of our rich and chequered past as you explore.

ALWAYS WANTED TO BE A RACING DRIVER?

Try out your skills on the track at Ireland's only international motor racing circuit with a class at Mondello Park's Performance Driving School or see how it should be done at a racing car or bike event.



FAMILY DAYS

A real hedge maze, an adventure playground, creepy crawlies and a fairy bower. These are just some of the attractions on offer for the little people in your life.



THE THOROUGHBRED COUNTY

The rich soil of County Kildare results in champion thoroughbreds and wonderful gardens. Enjoy both at The Irish National Stud, Japanese Gardens and St Fiachra's Garden.



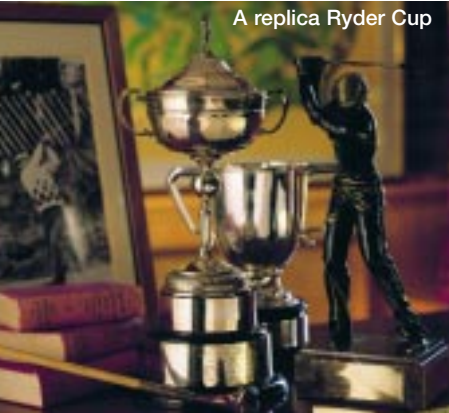
THE ROOM OUTDOORS

Appreciate the expense, skill, and love our ancestors poured into their gardens. Visit the many beautiful, historic and award-winning gardens in County Kildare.





The 36th Ryder Cup Matches will be played at the K Club, Straffan, Co. Kildare, Ireland, 22nd - 24th September 2006. Come and join the party!



A replica Ryder Cup



The 18th hole on The Palmer Course at the K Club

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