



Sailing & Water Activities

The water-sport enthusiast can avail of the varied number of water activities from sailing to adventure water-sports, including canoeing, sailing and jet skiing among others. If you would prefer to explore the regions coastline and loughs while taking it easy there are many cruises on offer, from the relaxing to the high speed.



Cranfield Beach

Albert Basin

The Quays, Newry
t: 028 3031 3170
e: newrytic@newryandmourne.gov.uk
w: www.seenewryandmourne.gov.uk
 Newry Canal's harbour area, the 'Albert Basin', provides a deep water Quay for visiting craft as well as a wildlife sanctuary for a range of wildfowl and other species. The "Basin" is situated in the heart of Newry's vibrant retail centre in close proximity to the Buttercrane and Quays shopping centres. The area also offers the visitor a host of attractions including a variety of pubs, restaurants and many places of both historical and architectural interest

Annalong Harbour

The Harbour, Annalong
t: 028 3031 3170
e: newrytic@newryandmourne.gov.uk
w: www.visitnewryandmourne.gov.uk
 Annalong Harbour is one of Ireland's most picturesque harbours with its Cornmill.

Ardglass Marina

19 Quay Street, Ardglass, BT30 7SA
t: 028 4484 2332 **f:** 028 4484 2332
e: ardglassmarina@tiscali.co.uk
 Situated at an important co-ordinate on the Coast of Down, it offers unlimited access 24 hours a day. It has a capacity for 83 berths.

Camlough Lake

Camlough
e: newrytic@newryandmourne.gov.uk
w: www.visitnewryandmourne.gov.uk
 Camlough Lake is used for shoreline and waterbased activities. No Jet Skis are permitted. Any other water based activities must seek approval before using the lake.

Carlingford Lough Yacht Club

Killowen, Rostrevor, Co. Down
t: 028 4173 8604
e: info@clyc.org **w:** www.clyc.org
 Carlingford Lough Yacht Club is a sailing club on the northern shores of Carlingford Lough. Its main activities are dinghy sailing with very active club racing and periodic hosting of dinghy class championship events.

Cranfield Beach Slipway

Cranfield Beach
t: 028 4175 2256 **f:** 028 4175 3022
e: info@newryandmourne.gov.uk
 Cranfield Slipway and Trailer Park at Cranfield beach is used for the launch of personal craft during the summer seasons. For an application please contact Warrenpoint Tourist Office.

East Down Yacht Club

Moymore, Killyleagh, BT30 9QZ
t: 028 4482 8375
e: edyc@lycos.co.uk **w:** www.edyc.co.uk
 A racing and cruising club situated on the western shores of Strangford Lough, having a nine acre site and modern clubhouse.

Kilkeel Harbour

t: 028 4176 2525 **f:** 028 4176 9947
e: kdakilkeel@hotmail.com
 Kilkeel harbour was first started in the 1850s and a pier was built in 1868 with further improvements in 1872. The harbour has grown since then and developed until the recent introduction of pontoons for the smaller fishing boats. In the early days schooners (*tall ships*) traded with Liverpool, Scotland, Cornwall and Kinsale trading goods such as potatoes, grain, granite and importing coal etc. You can go deep sea angling or take boat trips as well and don't forget to get your photograph taken with the Big Fish Sculpture as a memento of your visit.

Killyleagh Yacht Club

Cuan Beach, Killyleagh
t: 028 9258 7200
 KYC is centrally positioned, situated on the west shore of Strangford Lough. The club has a good landing pontoon, which gives easy access to all local facilities.

Lough Ross

Crossmaglen
t: 028 3031 3170
e: newrytic@newryandmourne.gov.uk
w: www.visitnewryandmourne.gov.uk
 Lough Ross slipway and amenity park used for personal water craft along with fishing.

Newcastle Yacht Club

12 South Promenade, The Harbour, Newcastle, BT33 0EX
t: 028 4377 047 **e:** nycltd@hotmail.co.uk
w: www.nycni.co.uk
 Dinghy sailing and sail training available during summer months.

Pontoon Kilkeel Harbour

Kilkeel
t: 028 4176 2525
f: 028 4176 9947
e: kdakilkeel@hotmail.com
w: www.visitkilkeel.com
 For further information please contact Kilkeel Development Association

Quoile Yacht Club

21 Castle Island, Downpatrick, BT30 7LD
t: 028 4461 2266
w: www.quoileyc.com

Strangford Sea Safari Trips

c/o Clearsky Adventure Centre
 The Gables, 98 Bryansford Road, Newcastle, Co. Down, BT33 0LF
t: 028 4372 3933
w: www.clearsky-adventure.com/sea-safari.php
 Explore Northern Ireland's best kept secrets as you discover the Strangford Lough and surrounding coastline aboard our comfortable and modern 12 seat RIB boat. Trips are ideal for visiting local attractions with groups of friends, family, media etc. Short sight seeing trips right through to private charter for accessing remote areas are available.

Your trip will take you to fascinating sights including SeaGen the first electricity generating tidal turbine in Europe and remote islands, e.g. Salt Island. At Cloghy Rocks Nature reserve you will catch sight of seal colonies. You will experience stunning views of Angus Rock lighthouse and historic ship wrecks including a World War 2 troop carrier and great whirlpools at the famous 'Routen Wheel'. You are guaranteed exhilaration aboard with your unique RIB boat experience. Ring today to discuss your needs.

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Strangford Sailing Club

Castle Ward Estate, Strangford.
t: 028 4488 1404

Strangford Ferry Terminal,

The Slip, Strangford

t: 028 4488 1637

Sailing times from Strangford. Departs on the hour and half past the hour. Sailing times from Portaferry. Departs Quarter to and quarter past the hour. Runs every day except Christmas Day.

Depart Strangford	First Sailing	Last Sailing
Weekdays	7.30am	10.30pm
Saturday	8.00am	11.00pm
Sunday	9.30am	10.30pm
Depart Portaferry	First Sailing	Last Sailing
Weekdays	7.45am	10.45pm
Saturday	8.15am	11.15pm
Sunday	9.45am	10.45pm

Victoria Lock

Omeath Road, Newry

t: 028 3031 3170

e: newrytic@newryandmourne.gov.uk

To access Victoria Lock Chamber, Newry Canal you must pre-book at least 48 hours in advance by contacting Newry TIC.

Warrenpoint Harbour

The Docks, Warrenpoint Co. Down
BT34 3JR

t: 028 417 52878

e: info@warrenpointharbour.co.uk

w: www.warrenpointharbour.co.uk

Regular scheduled services to North England, Rotterdam and Scandinavia, mean that Warrenpoint is the ideal centre for onward distribution. Facilities at the port include berthing facilities for mussel boats and recreational crafts in the Town Dock area.

Warrenpoint Pontoon

The Breakwater, Warrenpoint

t: 028 417 52256

e: info@newryandmourne.gov.uk

Craft visiting for one night only can avail of the pontoon in Warrenpoint.

Charters

Castle Cruises Ltd

Warrenpoint

t: 028417 53425 or 078 1546 6498

e: castle_cruises@yahoo.com

Take a leisurely picturesque sail on Carlingford Lough. Vessel leaves from Warrenpoint Pontoon every 30mins during summer season.

Irish Sea Cruises

Nanlo House, 53A Drumnaconagher Road,
Crossgar, BT30 9JH

t: 028 4483 2866 f: 028 4483 2877

m: 077 6427 9392

w: www.irishseacruises.com

Can there be a more exciting way of travelling to watch Ireland play Landsdowne Road, attending a golf tournament at Portrush, lunch and a piper at Portpatrick in Scotland or the T.T. Races and other attractions on the Isle of Man? This facility is ideally suited to corporate and leisure groups where special rates are available for block bookings on request, or film, TV and media work. The boat used is an 11 metre stormforce with twin engines of approx 600hp and capable of cruising at 30 knots. There is a fully enclosed cabin with luxury seating for 12 passengers.

Various destinations are covered including Scotland, Isle of Man and Ireland both North and South. Irish Sea Cruises use highly qualified personnel. We take great pride in our boats and their maintenance. We are equipped with 'state of the art' technology and navigational aids. Irish Sea Cruises have previously been involved in various TV Documentaries, Film making and Radio broadcasts. We are ideally suited to this type of work having the facility of reaching the destinations quickly. Our boat is an extremely stable platform capable of slow manoeuvring and quiet running, which is ideal for interviews and Radio broadcasts. We pride ourselves in our friendly, helpful service. We appreciate that your break is important to you and we will endeavour to make it as comfortable and enjoyable as possible. Please Contact for specialised prices.

Strangford Yacht Charter

30 Clea Lough Road, Killyleagh, BT30 9SY

t: 028 4482 1451 m: 078 3632 7272

e: skipper@strangfordyachtcharter.com

w: www.strangfordyachtcharter.com

Skipper: Grahame Stronge.

Cruise in style and comfort around the sheltered waters of Strangford Lough and beyond aboard a 55 foot luxury motor yacht. We specialise in: Public Celebrations, tours of Strangford, scuba diving, corporate entertainment, filming and T.V. Explore the many ancient monastic sites and castles of Strangford, or take a voyage to Scotland, Donegal or Wales. Please Contact for specialised prices.

Triton Marine Charter Services

11 Castle Cove, Ardglass, BT30 7WD

m: 078 2153 7044

e: enquiries@tritonexplorer.com

w: www.tritonexplorer.com

Skipper: Jason Parker.

Triton Marine Charter Services offer a unique opportunity for people of all ages

and abilities to enjoy sea based leisure and work activities aboard our luxury 42 ft charter vessel.

Our vessel, Triton Explorer, is available to charter for any of our complete range of services throughout the year from a choice of handy marina locations throughout Co Down. Our investment in Triton Explorer, which is one of the most sophisticated and well equipped vessels available, will guarantee our clients enjoy an experience at sea that is exciting, comfortable, affordable, but more importantly safe. We don't just specialise in Sea Fishing or Diving Trips, we also provide many other services, which can be tailored as a package to suit your needs. These include coastal tours, Isle of Man Golf Trips, Marine Wildlife Cruises, and Photography & Filming. Please Contact for specialised prices.

Canoeing

Strangford Lough Canoe Trail

This island-studded sea Lough is the largest inlet in the UK and Ireland, covering 80 square nautical miles. It is approached from the Irish Sea through the (5 nautical mile) fast running tidal Narrows which open out into more gentle waters. The Viking invaders who arrived in their long boats through the fast flowing waters called 'The Narrows' bestowed the name Strangfjorthr or 'place of strong currents'. This is a section of the canoe trail that requires a high level of expertise and it provides an excellent challenge for the experienced paddler! The Routen Wheel is a series of whirlpools, boils and swirling waters, which is caused by pinnacles of rock on the seabed. This area should be treated with the utmost caution. By contrast, the calmer waters of the main shallow basin further north gave this Lough its old Irish name, Lough Cuan, meaning sheltered haven. Here paddlers will find a myriad of channels and routes to explore, as well as the chance to discover some of the country's finest scenery. Designated as Northern Ireland's first Marine Nature Reserve, Strangford Lough is internationally renowned for its abundance and diversity of habitats and species.

Over 2000 marine animal and plant species have been found, most unique to this area. Look out for seals, Artic Terns, Irish Hares, porpoises and much, much more! This trail has been designed for canoeists for canoeists. It provides practical information including official access points, campsites and tidal details.

Life Adventure: See Family Fun Section

Peak Discovery: See Family Fun Section