

Accommodation

Hodson Bay Hotel, Lough Ree

090 6442000

2 nights B&B, including conference dinner €180 (€150 sharing) [conference rate—please quote]

Selection of guesthouses and hotels

Alverna House, Cornaseet, Kiltoom, Athlone

090 648 9449

Corraclor Lodge, Barrybeg, Roscommon Road, Athlone

090 649 3307

Lough Ree Lodge, Kiltoom, Athlone

090 648 9214

Reeside, Barrymore, Athlone

090 429 2051

St John's House, Lecarrow, Athlone

090 666 1748

The conference has been generously supported by:

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Westmeath Heritage Forum



Registration Form

	Price
Conference fee	€50/£40
Student conference fee	€20/£16
Individual sessions [Saturday/Sunday]	€15/£10
Conference dinner	€30/£42
Annual membership fee	€15/£13
Annual student membership fee	€7/£6

Note: conference fee includes coffee and boat.

Sign up for:

- Conference fee _____
- Dinner [tick if attending—pay at conference] _____
- Boat trip [tick if attending—spaces limited] _____
- Individual session — Friday/Saturday/Sunday _____
- Membership renewal/join _____

Please use block capitals

Total: _____

Name _____

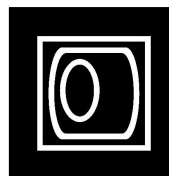
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Email _____

Cheques should be made payable to GSIHS

Please return this form, together with payment to:

Ms. Niamh Crowley, Treasurer,
45 Orchard Drive, Ursuline Court,
Waterford



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Annual Conference

Hodson Bay Hotel, Lough Ree

11-13 May 2012



**Lake settlement
at Lough Ree**

Friday, 11 May 2011

(Lough Ree Suite 1, Hodson Bay Hotel)

3.30 pm Registration

4.00 pm Opening

Session 1. Early Christian Settlement

4.15 pm Dr Matthew Stout (St. Patrick's College, Drumcondra)

'Early Medieval settlement at Lough Ree'

5.00 pm Charlie Doherty (University College, Dublin)

'Lough Ree and its territories in the early medieval period'

Session 2. Landscape and settlement

8.00 pm Keynote speaker

Dr Paul Gibson (NUI, Maynooth)

'Ireland's hidden physical and human landscapes — and how to find them'

Saturday, 12 May 2011

(Lough Ree suite 1)

Session 3. Vikings and Normans

9.30 am Prof. Alfred Smyth (University of Kent)

'The strategic and cultural importance of Lough Ree in ninth- and tenth-century Ireland'

10.10 am Dr Kieran O'Connor (NUI, Galway)

'Rindoon Castle'

11.00 am Coffee

Session 4. Environment and placenames

11.40 am Dr Ingelise Stuijts (Discovery Programme)

'The vegetation of the Lough Ree area: an unfinished story'

12.20 pm Dr Aengus Finnegan (NUI, Galway)

'The placenames of Lough Ree'

1.00 pm Lunch

2.15 pm **Boat trip** on Lough Ree (Dr Harman Murtagh)

7.15 pm Reception (The Library)

8.00 pm Conference Dinner (L'Escale restaurant)

Sunday, 13 May 2011

(Lough Ree suite 1)

9.30 am **Annual General Meeting** of Group for the Study of Irish Historic Settlement

Session 5. Early modern settlement

10.00 am Dr Rolf Loeber (University of Pittsburgh)

'The development of Lough Ree lakeside estates in the sixteenth to eighteenth centuries'

10.40 am Dr Bernadette Cunningham (Royal Irish Academy)

'Bethlehem: the Dillons of Westmeath and the Poor Clares'

11.20 am Coffee

Session 6. Sportsmen and visitors

11.40 am George Gossip (Irish Historic Houses Association)

12.20 pm Dr Mary Shine Thompson (St. Patrick's College, Drumcondra)

'Reading Lough Ree travel literature'

1.00 pm Lunch

Session 7. Navigation and island life

2.30 pm Colin Becker (Inland Waterways Association of Ireland)

'Irish inland navigation and Lough Ree'

3.10 pm Gearóid O'Brien (Westmeath County Library)

'Island Living: the modern story of life on the islands of Lough Ree'
