



Offaly Bike Week 2019

Offaly Sports Partnership on behalf of Offaly County Council delivered a range of activities funded by the Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport in support of Bike Week 2019 which took place from the 22nd to 30th June 2019

Activities delivered included: -



Tandem cycling for people with visual impairments

(supported by National Council for the Blind in Ireland Offaly (NCBI), Wolftrap Cycling Club, Tullamore Cycling & Touring Club, and Lough Boora Parklands)

10 people with visual impairments in addition to three guide pilots participated

Lough Boora Discovery Park school cycle days



Supported by Offaly Sports Partnership, these cycle days were held in Lough Boora Parklands

High Street Belmont brought 75 children to the school cycle day; while Banagher Youthreach brought 15 young people at risk to the cycle days

School bike checks

In preparation for lunchtime cycles in Birr, two schools were offered free bike checks by Buckley Cycles for pupils' bikes.



Lunchtime cycles



Birr lunchtime cycle

(supported by Offaly Sports Partnership and An Garda Síochána)

Three schools - St Brendan's Boys NS, Oxmanstown and Crinkill NS - took part. 100 pupils and teachers participated





Tullamore lunchtime cycle

(supported by Offaly Sports Partnership and An Garda Síochana)

Scoil Eoin Pól and members of the general public (up to 30 people in total) joined us on our 7k Grand Canal Greenway (Tullamore) lunchtime cycle.



Birr Bike Week

(supported by Wolftrap Cycling Club)

Among the events delivered were: -

- Couch to 60km (aimed at adults wishing to begin or return to cycling; and kicking off a six-week Couch to 60k training programme)
- Lunchtime cycle in Birr
- Tandem cycling for people with visual impairments, delivered in partnership with National Council for the Blind in Ireland Offaly branch and Lough Boora Parklands



Ferbane Bike Week
(supported by Lynx Cycling Club)

Among the events delivered were: -

- Bike the Blooms
- Bike checks
- Chase down
- Meet and spins for 75 cyclists across the week



Offaly Sports Partnership also ran a social media campaign on Facebook/OffalySportsPartnership highlighting family cycling opportunities in Offaly and its surrounds

