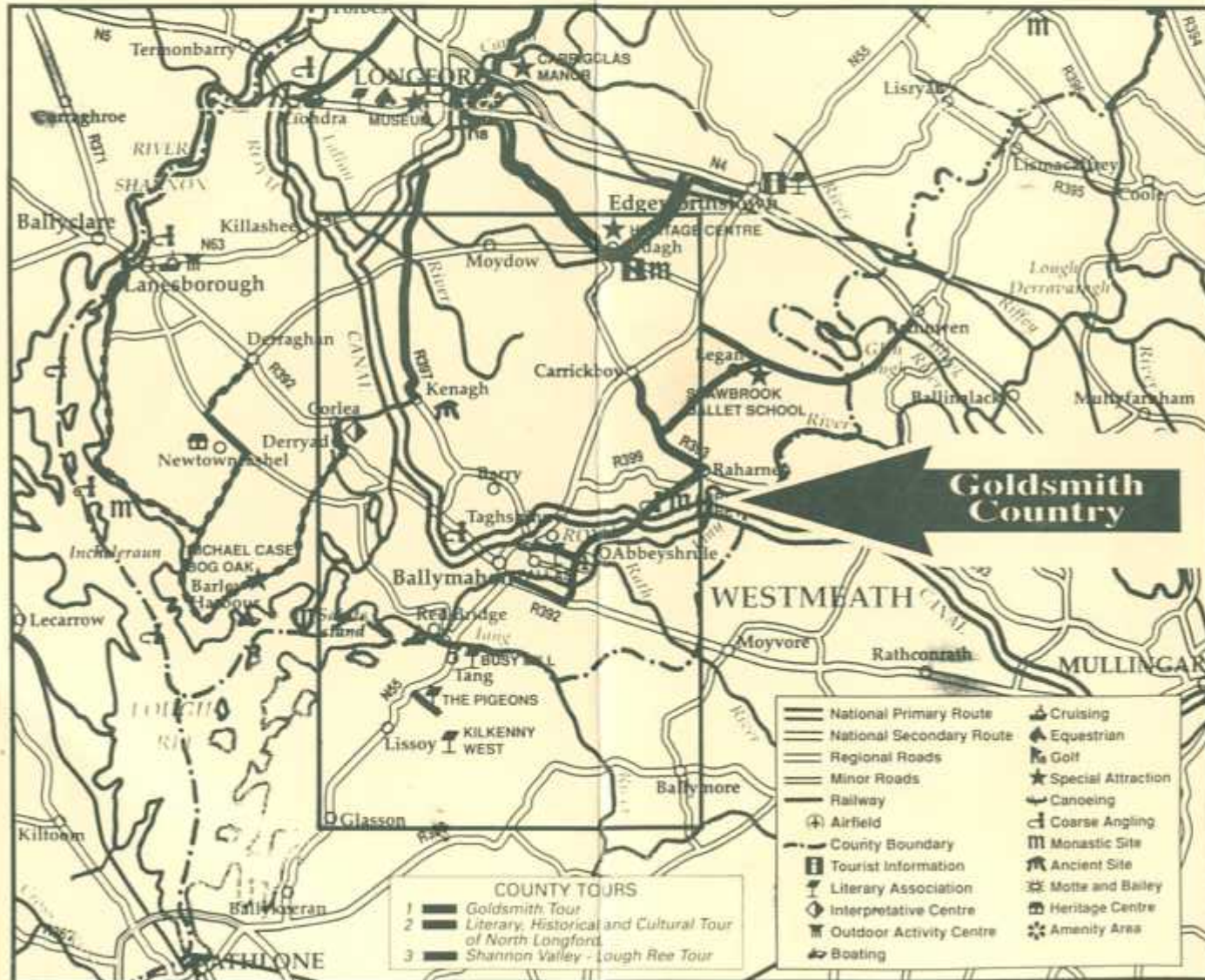


The Goldsmith Summer School  
-Objectives

1. To develop a deeper insight into the writings of Oliver Goldsmith.
2. To promote the Goldsmith country as a major tourist attraction.

**ART EXHIBITION**

Lakeland and Longford Arts Groups  
Thursday 1st June at 8.30 p.m.  
Rustic Inn, Abbeyshrule  
Cheese and Wine Reception



Eleventh Annual

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2nd June to 4th June 1995

Theme: Goldsmith's poetry - a fresh look at the world-famous much-loved poet

# Oliver Goldsmith

## SOME IMPORTANT DATES

- 1728 November 10th - Born at Pallas, Co. Longford
- 1730 Family moved to Lissoy, Co. Westmeath
- 1734 Attended village school under Thomas Byrne.
- 1741 Sent to school at Edgeworthstown (Mr. Hughes's).
- 1744 Entered Trinity College, Dublin, as a sizar.
- 1749 Took Bachelor of Arts Degree.
- 1751 Rejected for orders by the Bishop of Elphin.
- 1752 Went to Edinburgh University to study medicine.
- 1754 Arrived at Leyden, in Holland, to continue his studies of medicine.
- 1755 Left Leyden and took Degree of Bachelor of Medicine at Louvain.  
Travelled on foot in France, Germany, Switzerland and Italy.
- 1756 Landed at Dover.
- 1764 "The Traveller" published.
- 1766 "Vicar of Wakefield" published.
- 1768 "The Good Natured Man" published.
- 1770 "Deserted Village" published.
- 1773 "She Stoops to Conquer" published.
- 1774 Died April 4th and buried in the Temple.

*"Let not his frailties be remembered," said Dr Johnson, "He was a very great man."*

**FRIDAY, 2nd JUNE, 1995:**  
RUSTIC INN, ABBEYSHRULE, CO. LONGFORD.

- 8.30 p.m. Official opening by Mr John Wilson, former T.D. and Government minister.
- 8.45 p.m. **"Goldsmith - An Irishman in London"**  
Speaker: **Professor Robert Welch**,  
University of Ulster
- 9.30 p.m. Music with Andy Hennessy  
Light refreshment  
Adm ..... £5.00

**SATURDAY, 3rd JUNE 1995**

**THE THREE JOLLY PIGEONS**

3.00 p.m. Music and Craic

**THE LONGFORD ARMS HOTEL, LONGFORD**

8.30 p.m. **Magnanimous Goldsmith - A gooseberry fool - a fresh look at "Retaliation"**  
Speaker: **Dr Andrew Carpenter**.

Chair: Mr Niall Nally, M.R.C.V.S.

Adm ..... £5.00

**SUNDAY, 4th JUNE 1995**

**PALLAS, ABBEYSHRULE, CO. LONGFORD**

3.00 p.m. **Poetry reading** by children from National Schools in Goldsmith Country.

3.30 p.m. **Poetry reading** by Mr Ian Kilroy, Galway.

Chair: Mr Fred Moncrieffe

Adm ..... £2.00 Adults

**BOG LANE THEATRE, BALLYMAHON**

8.30 p.m. **"The Deserted Village - How contemporary critics got it wrong"**  
Speaker: Prof. Kevin Barry,  
U.C.D.

Chair: Mr Gus Hanley, N.T.

9.45 p.m. Close of Goldsmith Summer School 1995.

Adm ..... £5.00

## Goldsmith Country

The "Holiday Guide to Longford Country" contains a guide to Goldsmith Country and sites of archeological, cultural, literary, sporting and general interest. The accompanying map is an extract from the guide (colour) which is available from Tourist Offices (Mullingar), price £1.95.

For accommodation, visitors may contact Midland East Tourism, Mullingar, (Tel: 044 48650, Fax 044 - 40413) or consult the leaflet "Longford for Leisure 1995" (available from Midland East Tourism, (Mullingar) which contains, among other things, information on a wide range of accommodation.

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