

## BARROW NAVIGATION AND BARROW LINE

**Bagenalstown:** Repair Works have begun on the downstream canal walls. Fisheries requirements necessitated the installation of dams before 30 September. The navigation will be closed at Bagenalstown for the duration of these works.

**Rathangan Bridge:** During November-December dredging will be carried out North of Rathangan Bridge. The canal will be closed between Glenaree Bridge & Rathangan Bridge.

**Spencer Bridge & Wilson's Bridge:** In January 2015 dredging will take place between these bridges

**Vicarstown Bridge:** Repairs are also planned at Vicarstown Bridge before the end of the year.

Routine maintenance, hedge cutting, clearing overgrowing vegetation, litter removal etc.

## ERNE SYSTEM

**Round O:** Environmental improvements will be carried out along the shore line of the Round O public moorings in Enniskillen

**Stallion Cowes (Lwr Lough Erne):** A new 'pillar', an aid to navigation, will be installed on Stallion Cowes to complement the three similar structures installed in recent years.

The routine maintenance programme will continue throughout the winter months including repairs to jetties, power washing and maintaining the navigation marker system.

Improvements to navigation information and hazard warning signage will continue

## GRAND CANAL

**Lock 1 Main Line:** improvement works.

**Lock 12:** Fencing & site improvements in vicinity of lock.

**Sallins:** Completion of moorings, visitor jetty and new pumpout project.

**Robertstown:** Wall repairs at hotel and Binns Bridge.

**Charleville Aqueduct:** Structural repair to aqueduct located between Lock 29 and Lock 30 [mid - October to mid December 2014 per MN#114 and MN#121]

Routine maintenance to various structures including locks, jetties, supplies, overflows

General tree and hedge maintenance

## LOWER BANN NAVIGATION

**Lough Beg:** New marker post heads to be erected through Lough Beg channel and as required throughout the navigation

**Toome Canal, Portna slipway & Portneal Lodge Jetty:** Dredging works to take place during November.

**Toome lock house:** Security measures to be completed to by end of 2014

**Toome lock:** Dewatering and inspection by end of December

**Toome and Portna:** Lock gate construction for new gates planned for November to February period.

Installation of information signage throughout length of navigation ongoing.

The routine maintenance programme will continue throughout the winter period including minor repairs to lock gates, sluices and jetties.

A number of fallen trees will be removed from the navigation

## ROYAL CANAL

**Portland Place Level 1:** Towpath & wall repairs.

**34th level, Balroe:** Embankment repairs per MN#122 of 2014.

General tree and hedge maintenance.

## SHANNON-ERNE WATERWAY

**Canoe Trail:** Works ongoing to improve waterway infrastructure for canoeists.

**Interpretative Panels:** Works ongoing to replace existing interpretative panels at various locations along the waterway.

**Longstones Drain to Aghoo Bridge:** Towpath upgrade works commenced to provide an additional 1.7km of recreational trail adjacent to the waterway.

**Lock 6 Ballinamore:** All works now complete and recreational trail adjacent to lock reopened.

**Lock 7 Ballyduff to Erne System:** Works ongoing to improve sight lines on the navigation by cutting hedges along channel sections between Lock 7 & Erne System.

**Locks 4 & 14:** Works to commence at Lock 14 Drumduff and then Lock 4 Aghoo to repair lock gates; this will require a lock closure from November to April 2015. Masters are advised to contact Waterways Ireland prior to their departure during this period for up to date information regarding navigational issues.

Routine maintenance activities will continue throughout the winter months to ensure that public facilities remain in a safe, user friendly condition.

## SHANNON NAVIGATION

Along with the usual list of maintenance activities carried out to amenity areas, towpaths, service blocks, weirs and sluices, notable upcoming work includes:

**Tarmonbarry Lock:** The lock will be closed over the winter period in order to install new lock gates and complete ancillary works.

**Clondra Lock and Tarmonbarry:** Canoe stands will be completed at Clondra Lock and Tarmonbarry to complete the infrastructure for Camlin River Canoe Trail loop.

**Clarendon Lock:** Civil works and surfacing contract is planned for the area fronting Clarendon Lock, Knockvicar.

**Lough Allen Canal:** Continued works to maintain existing towpath walk trails along the Lough Allen Canal Blueway and design options will be progressed for connection of towpaths to Acres Lake and Drumshanbo.

**Lough Allan Canal & Clondra Canal:** Cutting back vegetation to sections of the Lough Allan Canal and Clondra Canal to maintain navigation channel.

Marker numbering system to be extended to Lough Allen thus completing the numbering system for the Shannon Navigation

**Connaught Harbour:** Refurbish the existing harbour area at Connaught Harbour, providing safe walkways and access to/from the water. Provide additional and improved amenity facilities and resurface existing access roads and improve and provide additional parking

**Killaloe to Parteen:** Maintenance of the navigation aids on this section of the navigation.

**Lough Derg:** Painting of red markers.

**Ballinasloe Harbour:** Installation of three electric power bollards.

**New Cut, Shaughnessy, Lusmagh:** Repairs and improvements to the sluice decking.

**Killaloe:** Cutting back growth on the canal banks.

**Clonlara:** Levelling banks and embankment repair works.

## SHANNON LOCK & BRIDGE TIMES

### LOCKS & BRIDGES

Period	Weekdays	Sundays
Mar 14 - Apr 3	09.00-18.30	10.30-16.00
Apr 4 - Sept 25	09.00-20.30	09.00-18.00
Sept 26 - Nov 1	09.00-19.30	10.00-16.00
Nov 2 - Mar 13	09.00-12.30	10.00-12.30

Lunch break 13.00-14.00

### PORTUMNA BRIDGE

Period	Weekdays	Sundays
Mar 14 - Apr 3	09.45 11.00 12.30 14.30 16.30 17.30	11.00 12.30 14.30 16.00
April 4 - Sept 25	09.45, 11.00, 12.30 15.00, 17.30, 19.30	11.00, 12.30 15.00, 17.30
Sept 26 - Nov 1	09.45, 11.00, 12.30 15.00, 17.00, 18.30	11.00, 12.30 14.30, 16.00
Nov 2 - Mar 13	09.45, 11.00, 12.30	11.00, 12.00