

The Boolia More (40). The oldest field name in Hollywood is the Boolia More (An Bhuaille Mhór) on the south side of the village in the townland of Knockroe. Bualie translates as a milking place in summer pasturage. It is a fine field and it included the area where the new national school was built in the 1950s. Knockroe (Cnoc Rua, and Well.

local landmarks **St Kevin's Cave, Bed, Chair** saint's stay in the area is also commemorated in have always been named after St Kevin. The in Hollywood – Church of Ireland and Catholic Hollywood to Glendalough. The two churches modern **St Kevin's Walk** (*Sli Chaoimhin*) from and this later became the seed idea for the track he took became known as St Kevin's Road founded his famous monastery. The original over the mountains to Glendalough, where he After some time in Hollywood Kevin crossed

recorded in 1192.

Chaoimhin (meaning Kevin's little church) is also a document from 1192. The Irish version *Cillín* name *Santum Nemus* (Holy Wood) appears in some stage this became Hollywood. The Latin century. The name was originally Hollywood; at the origins of the name back to its association with St Kevin who lived here in the late sixth the claim to be the original Hollywood and can trace important one of all is **Hollywood** itself. We When it comes to local names the most

expand this project in the future.

prominent local landmarks. We hope to shown in the map. We also record some leaflet we record the field names in the area centuries, others are more recent. In this of our heritage. Some of the names go back Our goal is to preserve this important aspect names in the village and surrounding area. **H**ollywood Tidy Towns is proud of Hollywood's past and in 2025/26 undertook a project to record the field

St Kevin's Chair (C) – a rock which resembles a reclining chair. It is said that any person who can get up from it without the aid of their hands will never have back-problems. The Chair is in Corrigan's Glen, beside the opening stretch of *Sli Chaoimhin* going from Hollywood to Glendalough. This valley was also the location for the shooting of some famous film scenes,

Dragoonhill.

Madwoman's Lep (E) – a cliff-face which forms part of the boundary between Knockroe and

are located to the south of the *Bualie Mhór*. ***The White Field (41)*** and ***the Pound Field (48)***

years [now almost 800 years].”

seems to have been handed down orally for 700 place of residence at Hollywood. Price singled *Bualie Mór* was a reference to de Marisco's the last High King of Ireland. Price believed O'Connor, younger brother of Rory O'Connor, of the famous Cathal Crobhdéarg (Red Hand) at *Bualie Mór* in Leinster. Aedh was the son in 1228 in the house of Geoffrey de Marisco of Connaught, Aedh O'Connor, was murdered *Annals of Innisfallen* which records that the king Price draws attention to a passage in *The*

order of the AngloNorman pale. old Gaelic world of the mountains and the new significant location, on the frontier between the Hollywood are still visible today. This was a highly his fortification on 'the Castle Bank' overlooking as chief governor of Ireland. Some remnants of twelfthcentury. De Marisco served three terms castle built by Geoffrey de Marisco in the late This was the site of the Anglo-Norman mote-***Knockroe*** also contains ***the Castle Bank (B)***.

in Ireland.

meaning 'red hill') is a common townland name

back to when the main road was constructed as a turnpike road in the 1820s following the opening of the new bridge at Poulaphouca.

The Chapel Field (21). Field names can evolve over time. Tutty's field next to the Catholic church and graveyard was known as the chapel field. Then when it became the home pitch for Hollywood GAA it was called the Football Field. Since the acquisition of the new GAA pitch in Rathattin (formerly Guirke's field), the chapel field can now go back to its old name.

The Móinín Rua (34). Móinín means a grassy patch in a bog. This is the field behind the Big Pike (where Daly's shop is built). Interestingly, it was also once known as the football field.

The Mill Field (20). This is the field adjoining the Móinín Rua. It takes its name from the site of the old 18th century mill located at the back of it.

Cúl Páirc (19). This field on the western side of the N81 is close to Hollywood Cross. The name appears to be very old and, like the other Irish language field name the Móinín Rua, it is recorded in a document from 1887. It appears to mean the back field. Interestingly, its adjoining field is called ***the High Field (18)***.

The Reesk (46) – another field with an Irish language name. It comes from *riasc*, meaning 'marsh or bogland'.

Tyrrell's Cross (A). This three-way junction midway between Hollywood Cross and the village was an actual crossroads back in the 1830s. A Tyrrell family lived here for most of the nineteenth century. Tyrrell's Cross is often used as a meeting point for guards of honour to walk with funeral hearses on the last part of their journey to the church and graveyard.

The Bush Field (51) – the field where the modern Hollywood Sign is located. It got its name from the lone bush in the centre of it.

cairn, at top of Dragoonhill.

The Pinnacle (L) – refers to a heap of stones, or here.

St Kevin's Bed – a deep natural cavity in the rock, about 50 metres to the north of St Kevin's Cave. A local tradition maintains that Kevin slept

distance into the hillside.

statue of St Kevin, this cave extends only a short ***St Kevin's Cave (D)*** – located directly below the

the 17th and 18th centuries.

the name given to an armed mounted soldier in from 1787 in the parish registers. Dragoon was name Dragoonhill appears in two baptism records **DRAGOONHILL**. The earliest mention of the

contains a natural well.

The Well Field (30) – this field beside the village the 1930s.

impound stray animals, it continued in use until the Wood Lane in Hollywood Upper. Used to the stream where the stepping stones are on ***The Pound (N)*** – small walled enclosure at

here.

The Green (15) – the name of a field in Hollywood Upper. It is thought that fairs were once held

by horse and cart.

line and was then transported to the Coke Yard delivered as far as Poulaphouca using the tram made from coal). The coke is said to have been used as a depot for storing coke (a type of fuel ***The Coke Yard (16)*** – a yard in this field was

Collins (1995).

including the *Beal na Bláth* ambush in Michael

An interesting example is the Bog Meadow field. Pat Farrington told us a sad story about this small field, located off the N81 in Hollywood Lower.

Pat's grandfather Patrick Farrington (1864-1945) was with his son Patrick Joseph Farrington (1894-1902) when the youngster went down the field to herd the cattle. When he came back to his father he complained of having been stung in the eye while at the pond in the field. At first, it seemed like just a minor injury but tragically the sting proved far more serious. Within days young Patrick's condition deteriorated, and he died eight days later, on 19 August 1902, after suffering from ‘Facial Erysipelas’ and asthenia (per his death certificate). Pat Farrington said this memory is carried through generations and is forever tied to the Bog Meadow field.

The Winning Bank (54) – pronounced as ‘winning’ but it probably comes from the word ‘winnowing’ – the process of throwing grain into the air, so that the wind blows away the lighter chaff.

The Courses (49) – refers to a boggy area across the road from Deering's old shop at the bad bend on the old N81. The Courses were divided into three sections which mirrored the three separate land holdings on Dragoon Hill. This is an interesting local example of the rundale system.

The Craft – the local term for a small field or paddock close to the farmyard. There were 5 of these in Hollywood village – Corrigan's Craft (24), Tutty's (now Rafter's) (23), Farrington's (42), Burke's and Guirke's (43).

The Big Pike (32) and The Little Pike (33). These are located on opposite sides of the N81 at Hollywood Cross. Daly's shop is on what was the Big Pike and the Remembrance Garden is on the Little Pike. These names appear to echo

meet the N81. ***Funny Hall (O)*** – is an old name for the area where the road from Dunboyke turns sharply to which resembles the shape of a smoothing iron.

The Smoothing Iron (55) – a triangular field rented 8 acres here in 1833.

from the Hollywood Glen road. A 'Widow Spain' ***Spain's Hollow*** – a hollow in Dragoonhill not far

here before his eviction in 1883.

to Hollywood. A Timothy Guirke rented the land ***Tim's Glen (50)*** – an area on the old Mass path

fits the bill!

bend will also agree that the name Wind's Eye day and meets the head wind on rounding this ever come down the Quarry on a bike on a breezy seems to support the former. Anyone who has it's wind's or Wynn's Eye. The local pronunciation about the correct version of the name, whether ***Winds (or Wynn's) Eye (I)***. There is uncertainty

to the south of Newcombe's Lane.

The Crutcheenvane (45) (from the Irish *crúitin bhán*, meaning 'white hillock'), refers to a field

cobbler who lived on the lane.

the Newcombes'. George Newcombe was a generation it was referred to as 'going down by Reilly's Lane to the village. For a previous out at the Big Stone and continuing down by be a shortcut from the top of the Quarry coming ***Newcombe's Lane (H)***. This laneway used to

which leads down to the village.

road from the Big Stone is ***the Little Wood (F)***, Cumhall's marble. On the other side of the the Quarry road has also been called Fionn Mac ***The Big Stone (G)***. This big granite stone on

CHENEY'S HILL (KIERNAN'S HILL). Although the Ordnance Survey maps from the 1830s refer to this as 'Kiernan's Hill', it has always been known locally as Cheney's Hill or Chaney Hill.

THE DEMESNE (13) – Hollywood Demesne was the location of ***Tyrone Lodge*** built in the late 18th century as a hunting lodge for the Beresford family who were the Earls of Tyrone, and later the Marquesses of Waterford. A ha-ha wall, built along the southern boundary of the lawn, divided the demesne from the Broad Field to its south. This wall is still visible today. The lodge was burned by Joseph Holt and his men in 1798 and was never rebuilt.

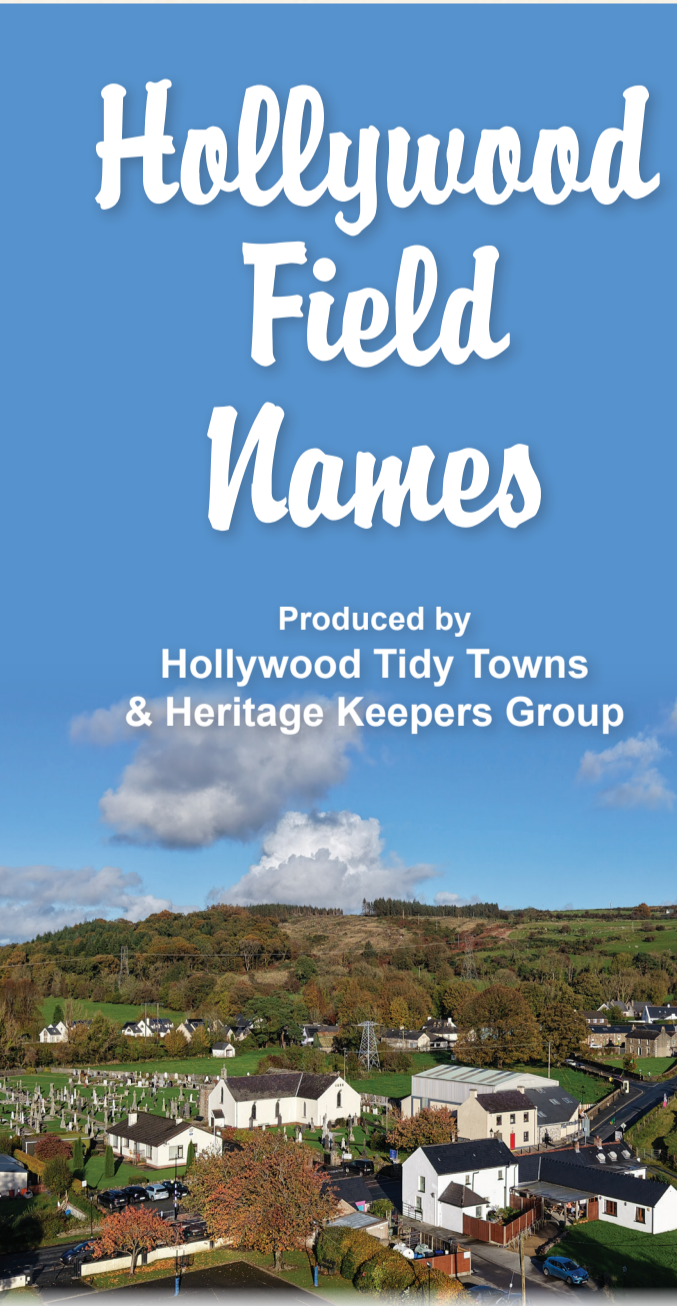
The Oak Wood – refers to a section of Hollywood Demesne which is still covered by oak trees. It was included in the townland of Cheney's Hill in the Tithe Applotment Lists of 1833.

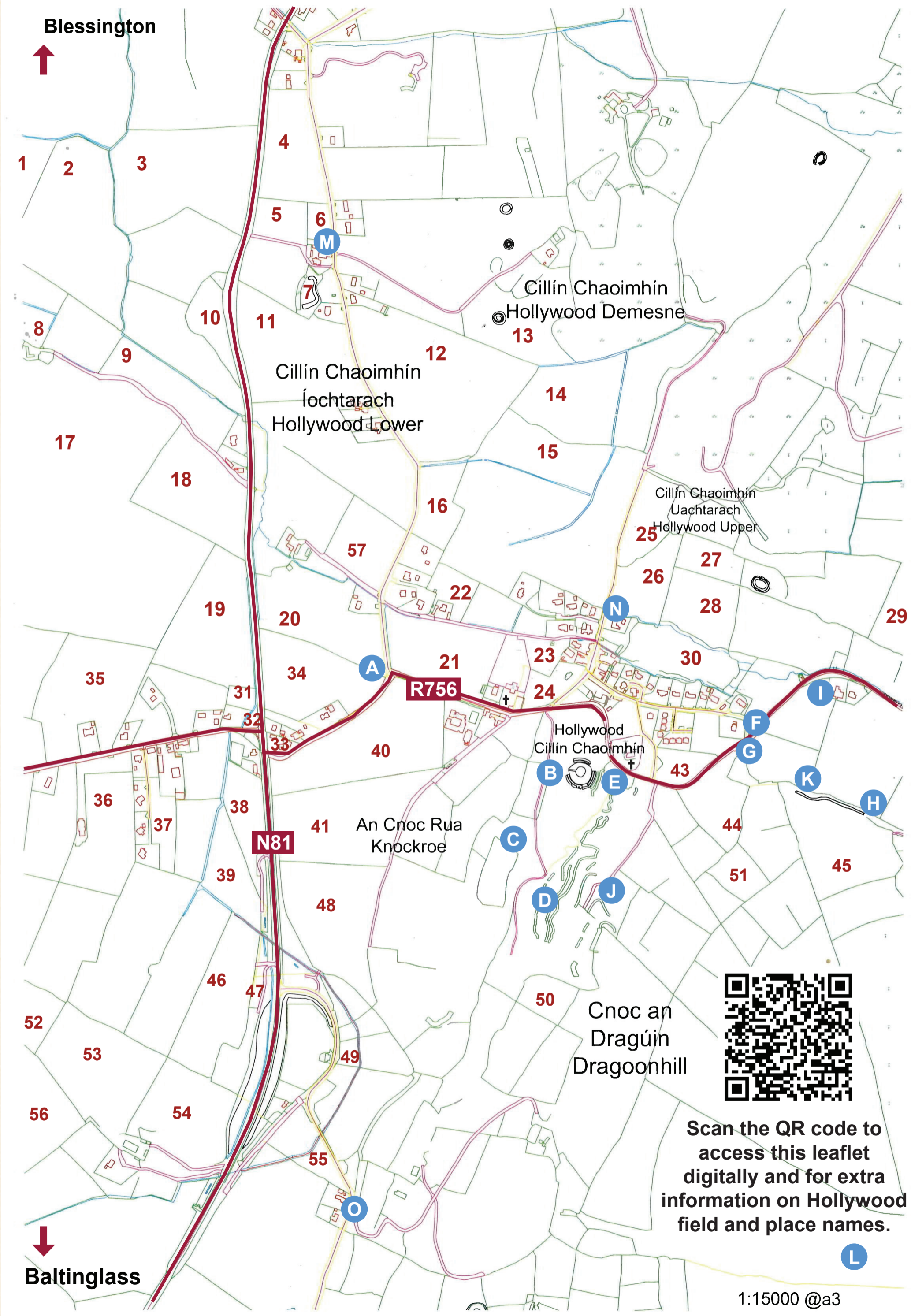
The Broad Field (12) and ***the Lackens (14)*** are the names of the two fields forming the west and east sections respectively of the farmland to the south-east of the old lodge in Hollywood Demesne.

The Mill Lane. The name Newtown first occurs in Jacob Nevill's map of Wicklow in 1760. The old road which passed by the ruined mill in Hollywood Lower (essentially an extension of the Watery Lane), appears to have become disused after the 1798 Rebellion. Part of it became used as a lane and is still known as the 'Mill Walk' or 'Mill Lane'.

The Slang (9). This field is in Newtown. The Slang is a common enough name for a field. It usually refers to a strip of land, often near a river, as it is in this case.

The Bog Meadow (10). The Boolia More may be the oldest field name in Hollywood, but other field names in the area carry their own significance.





MAP LEGEND FOR LANDMARKS A-O

A	Tyrrell's Cross	Hollywood Lower
B	The Castle Bank	Knockroe
C	St. Kevin's Chair	Knockroe
D	St. Kevin's Cave	Dragoon Hill
E	Madwoman's Lep	Dragoon Hill
F	Little Wood	Dragoon Hill
G	The Big Stone	Dragoon Hill
H	Newcombe's Lane	Slievecorragh
I	Wind's Eye	Slievecorragh
J	The Black Lump	Dragoon Hill
K	The Sand Pit	Dragoon Hill
L	The Pinnacle	Dragoon Hill
M	The Grove	Hollywood Lower
N	The Pound For Stray Animals	Hollywood Upper
O	Funny Hall	Rathattin

MAP LEGEND FOR FIELD NAMES 1-57

FIELD NAME	TOWNLAND	
1	Broughill's Bog	Newtown
2	The Round Bank	Newtown
3	Tutty's Bog	Hollywood Lower
4	The Lower Field	Hollywood Lower
5	The Oats Field	Hollywood Lower
6	The Orchard/ The Garden	Hollywood Lower
7	The Pit	Hollywood Lower
8	The Mill Yard	Newtown
9	The Slang	Newtown
10	The Bog Meadow	Hollywood Lower
11	The Far Field	Hollywood Lower
12	The Broad Field	Hollywood Demesne
13	The Demesne	Hollywood Demesne
14	The Lackens	Hollywood Demesne
15	The Green	Hollywood Upper
16	The Coke Yard	Hollywood Upper
17	The Mill Field (1)	Newtown
18	The High Field	Newtown
19	Cúlpairc	Newtown
20	The Mill Field (2)	Hollywood Lower
21	The Chapel Field	Hollywood Upper
22	Wills's	Hollywood Upper
23	Tutty's Craft (Now Rafter's)	Hollywood Upper
24	Corrigan's Craft	Knockroe
25	The Wood Field	Hollywood Upper
26	The Pound Field (1)	Hollywood Upper
27	Little Ashley	Hollywood Upper
28	Big Ashley	Hollywood Upper
29	The Hill Field	Hollywood Upper
30	The Well Field	Hollywood Upper
31	Ash Field	Newtown
32	The Little Pike	Knockroe
33	The Big Pike	Knockroe
34	The Móinín Rua	Hollywood Lower
35	Griffin's Field	Newtown
36	The New Football Field	Rathattin
37	Hayseed	Rathattin
38	Corrigan's Bog	Knockroe
39	The Bog	Rathattin
40	Boolia More (An Bhuaille Mhór)	Knockroe
41	The White Field	Knockroe
42	Farrington's Craft	Dragoon Hill
43	Guirke's Craft	Dragoon Hill
44	The Brow	Dragoon Hill
45	Crutcheenvane (Cruitín Bhán)	Slievecorragh
46	The Reesk (An Riasc)	Rathattin
47	Guirke's Field	Dragoon Hill
48	The Pound Field (2)	Knockroe
49	The Courses	Dragoon Hill
50	Tim's Glen	Dragoon Hill
51	The Bush Field	Dragoon Hill
52	The Rath Field	Rathattin
53	The Crab Field	Rathattin
54	The Winning Bank	Rathattin
55	The Smoothing Iron	Dragoon Hill
56	Ballybrien	Rathattin
57	The Square Field	Hollywood Lower



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