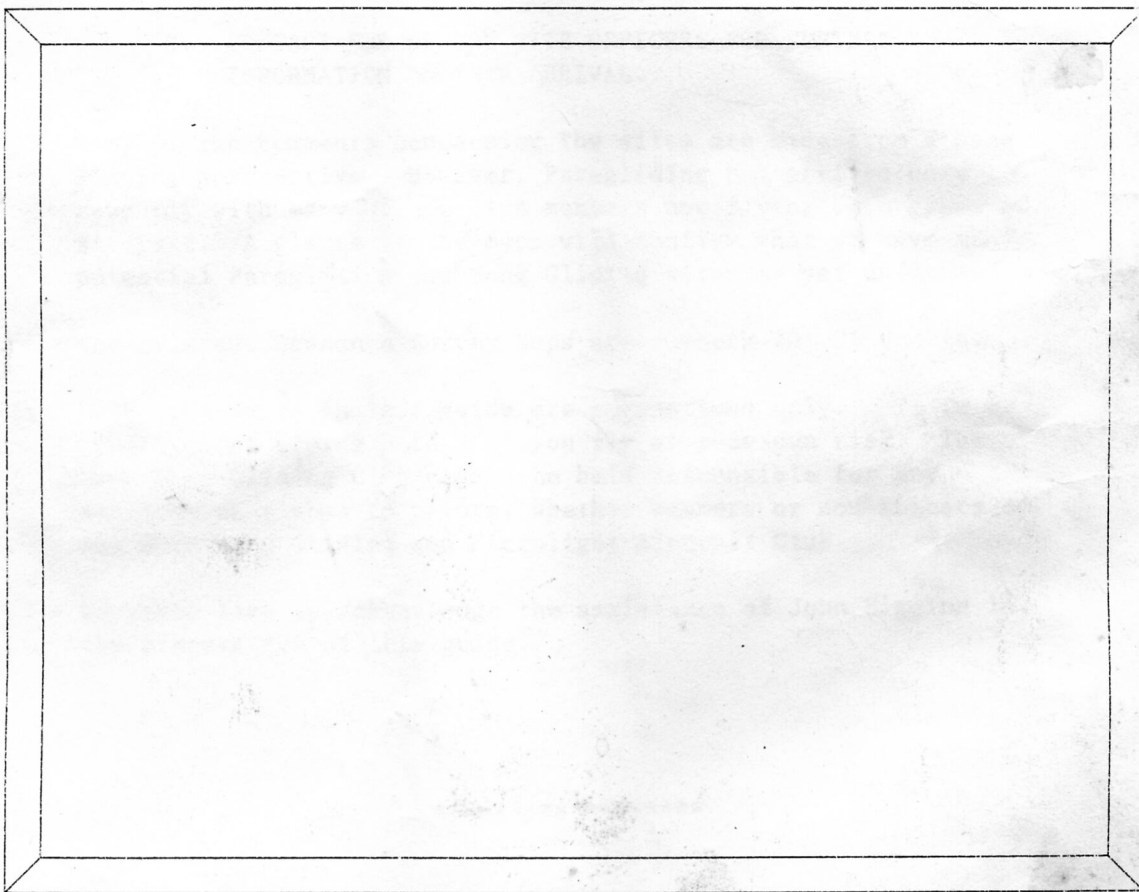


SITE GUIDE

CORK AND KERRY MOUNTAINS



ISSUED BY THE CORK HANG GLIDING AND
MICROLIGHT AIRCRAFT CLUB ~ 1990

FOREWARD

This guide has been compiled to assist the increasing number of visiting pilots coming to fly the Cork and Kerry Mountains. It is not a complete list but the selection of sites included give all wind directions. All of them have good roads to the top.

Flying in this area has always been hassle free, the club enjoying the goodwill and an excellent relationship with the land owners. Obviously we would dearly like to keep it this way and impress on visitors to :

1. OBEY THE COUNTRY CODE, TO SHUT ALL GATES ETC.
2. CONTACT ONE OF THE SITE OFFICERS FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON YOUR ARRIVAL.

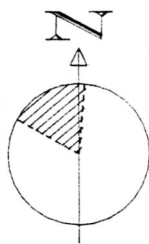
Most of the comments concerning the sites are made from a hang gliding perspective. However, Paragliding has arrived here recently with many of our club members now flying both types of aircraft. A glance at the maps will confirm that we have many potential Paragliding and Hang Gliding sites as yet unflown.

The relevant Ordnance Survey Maps are numbers 20, 21 and 24.

NOTE: Comments in this guide are suggestions only. It is a condition of flying here that you fly at your own risk. The Cork Hang Gliding Club cannot be held responsible for any accident or mishap to pilots, whether members or non-members of The Cork Hang Gliding and Microlight Aircraft Club.

We would like to acknowledge the assistance of John Higgins in the preparation of this guide.

CLARAGH



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AGL: 800'

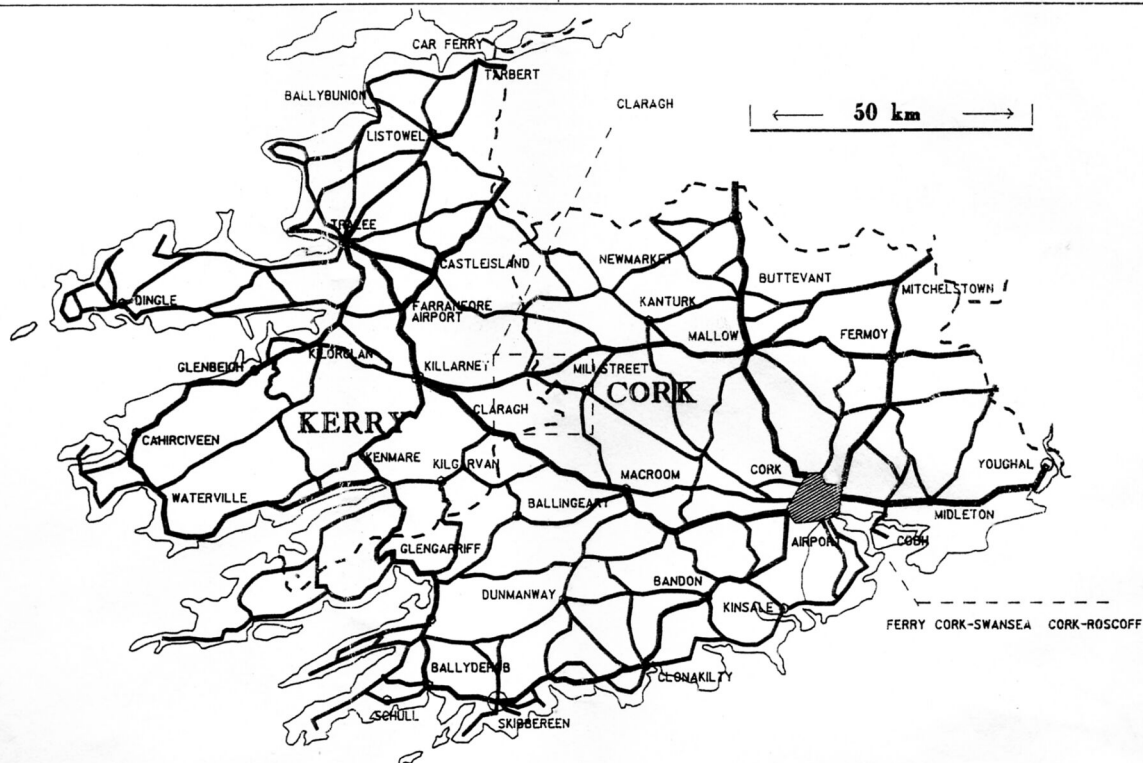
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MAP No. 21

OFFERING SPLENDID VIEWS OF
THE BLACKWATER VALLEY.

ADJACENT TO MILLSTREET TOWN.

ACCESS VIA THE PUBLIC ROAD
TO THE WEST.



Flight Information

LAUNCH FROM THE WESTERLY SPUR.
LARGE RIGGING AREA.
NARROW TOP LANDING AREA.
GOOD BOTTOM LANDING AREA.
EXCELLENT X/C POTENTIAL - TRY RIDGE RUN TO WEST.
PILOT RATING: 1+

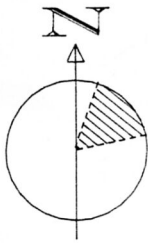
Remarks

PARK OFF THE ROAD.
SHUT ALL GATES.

General

MILLSTREET SHOW JUMPING ARENA HOSTS AN INTERNATIONAL
HORSE SHOW DURING THE MONTH OF AUGUST.
SITE OFFICER: JOHN DRINAN tel. 021\508125

KIPPAGH



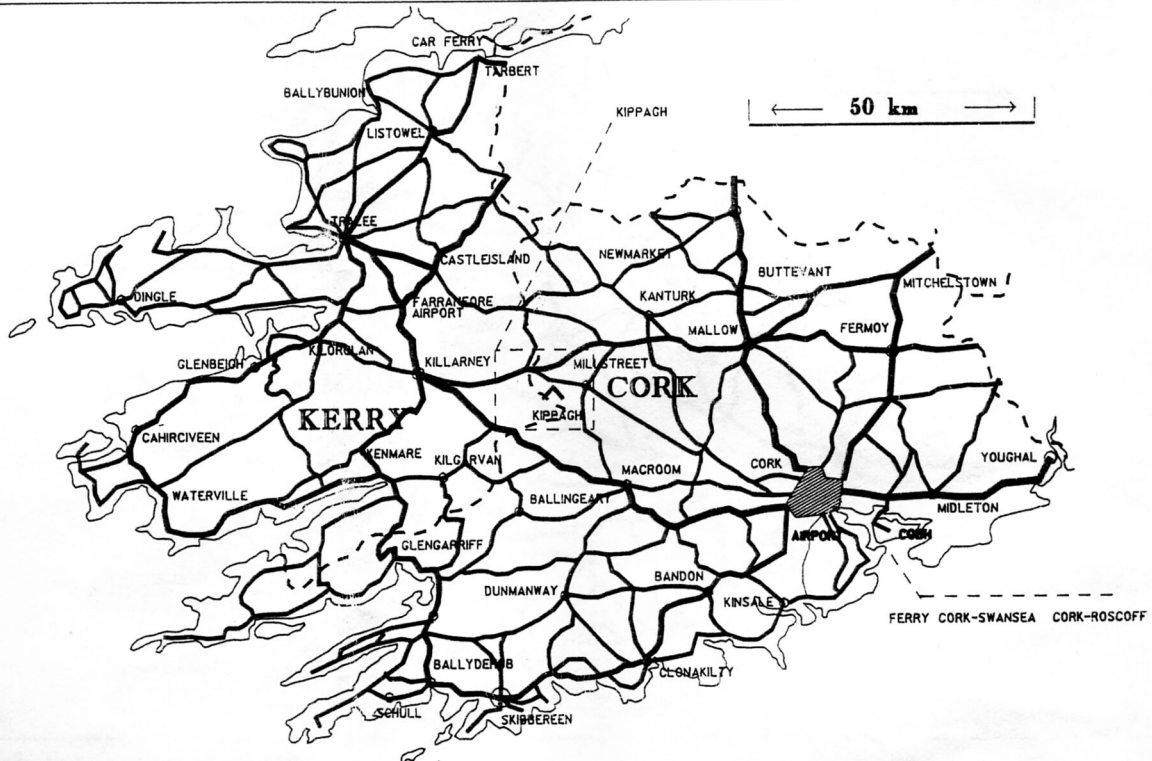
ASL: 1200'

AGL: 350'

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MAP No. 21

THE SOUTHERLY SPUR OF KIPPAGH
GIVING VIEWS OF CLARAGH AND THE
BOGERAGH MOUNTAINS.



Flight Information

LARGE RIGGING AREA.
GOOD TOP LANDING AREA.
LARGE BOTTOM LANDING AREA ON PLATEAU.
BEWARE OF VALLEY LEFT OF LAUNCH.....NO BOTTOM LANDING AREA.
PILOT RATING: I

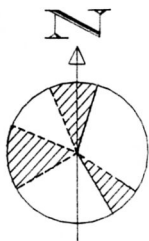
Remarks

ACCESS VIA MOUNTAIN ROAD.

General

MILLSTREET SHOW JUMPING ARENA HOSTS AN INTERNATIONAL
HORSE SHOW DURING THE MONTH OF AUGUST.
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KNOCKGOUR



ASL:1610'

AGL:1300'

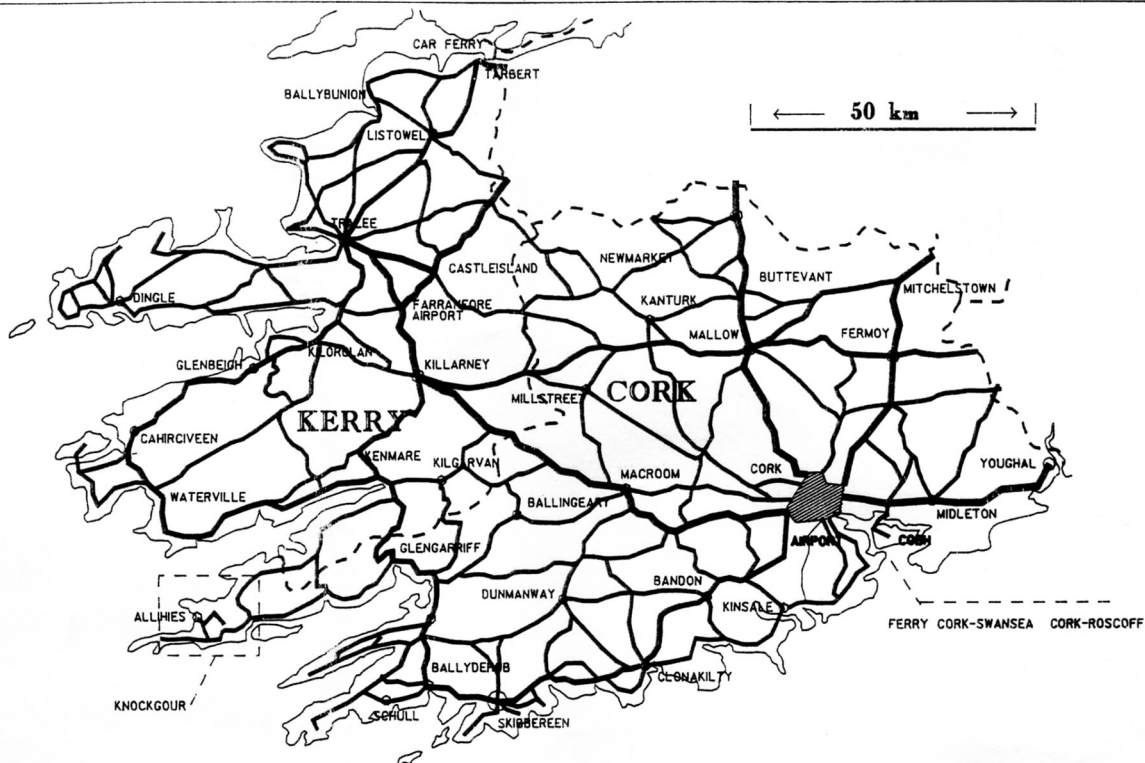
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MAP No. 24

AT THE END OF THE BEARA
PENINSULA

OVERLOOKING ALLIHIES WITH
BALLYDONEGAN BAY TO THE WEST
AND BEAR ISLAND TO THE EAST.

ACCESS FROM THE WEST.



Flight Information

GOOD COASTAL SOARING.

GOOD RIGGING AND LAUNCH AREA.

NOT SUITABLE FOR TOP LANDING EXCEPT POSSIBLY AT NORTH END OF RIDGE.

CHOOSE BOTTOM LANDING WITH CARE.

SUGGESTED LANDING - ON SPUR TO THE S.W. ADJACENT TO ACCESS ROAD.

PILOT RATING: 2

Remarks

GOOD ROAD TO TOP.

THIS SITE IS RARELY FLOWN..... VERY REMOTE.

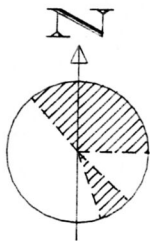
LOVELY VIEWS.

General

THERE IS A SANDY BEACH AT ALLIHIES AND A CAMPSITE AT BALLYDONEGAN.

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MOUNT GABRIEL



ASL: 1339'

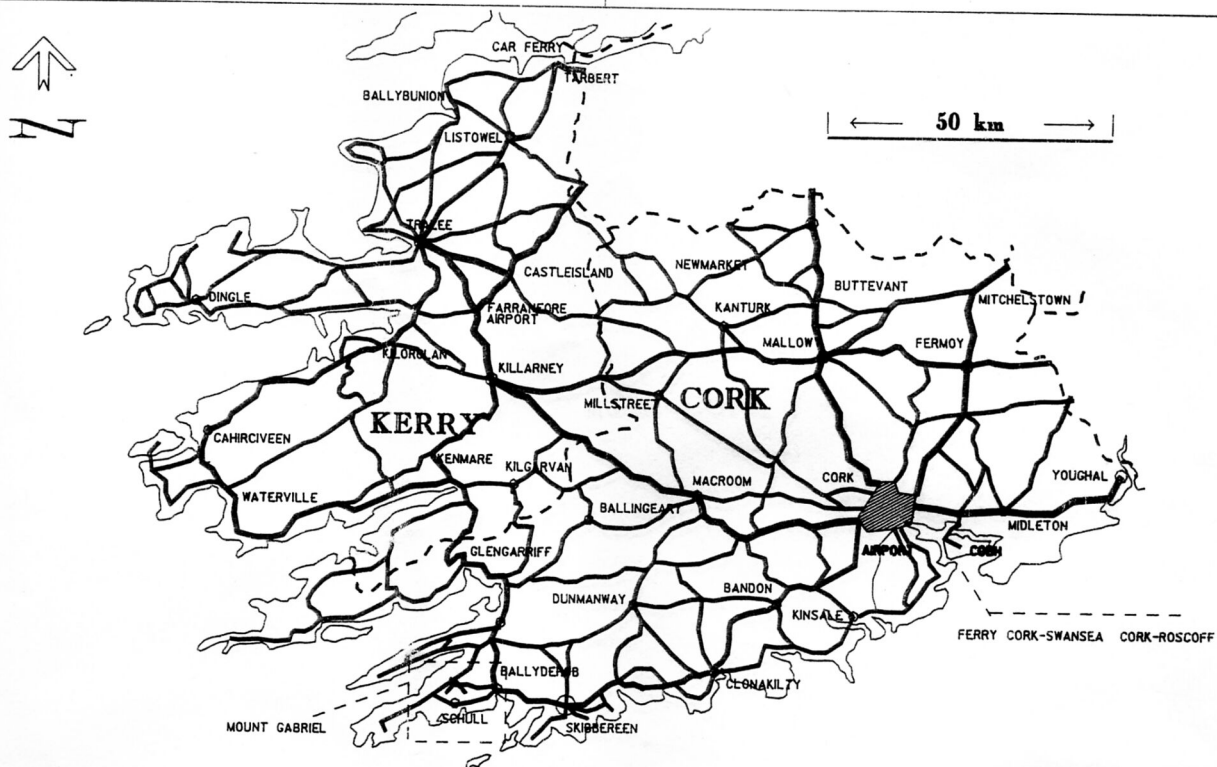
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Map No. 24

DOMINANT FEATURE ON MIZEN PENINSULA
ADJACENT TO THE VILLAGE OF SCHULL.
OVERLOOKING THE FASTNET ROCK AND
ROARINGWATER BAY.

ACCESS ROAD IS ON THE NORTH SIDE
OF THE MOUNTAIN.



Flight Information

GOOD SOARING SITE.

RIDGES TO THE NORTH OFTEN PRODUCE WAVE-EXPLOITABLE FROM THIS SITE.

CRAGGY TERRAIN AT RIGGING AND LAUNCH AREA - TAKE CARE !

NOT SUITABLE FOR TOP LANDING.

SAFEST BOTTOM LANDING IS BELOW N.E. FACE.

SUGGESTED PILOT RATING 2

Remarks

TARRED ROAD TO TOP.

DO NOT ENTER TRACKING STATION GROUNDS.

SPECTACULAR VIEWS.

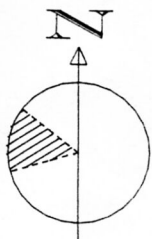
General

EXCELLENT AMENITIES.

SCHULL IS A MAJOR HOLIDAY AND WATER SPORTS CENTRE.

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MULLAGHMESHA



ASL: 1629'

AGL: 850'

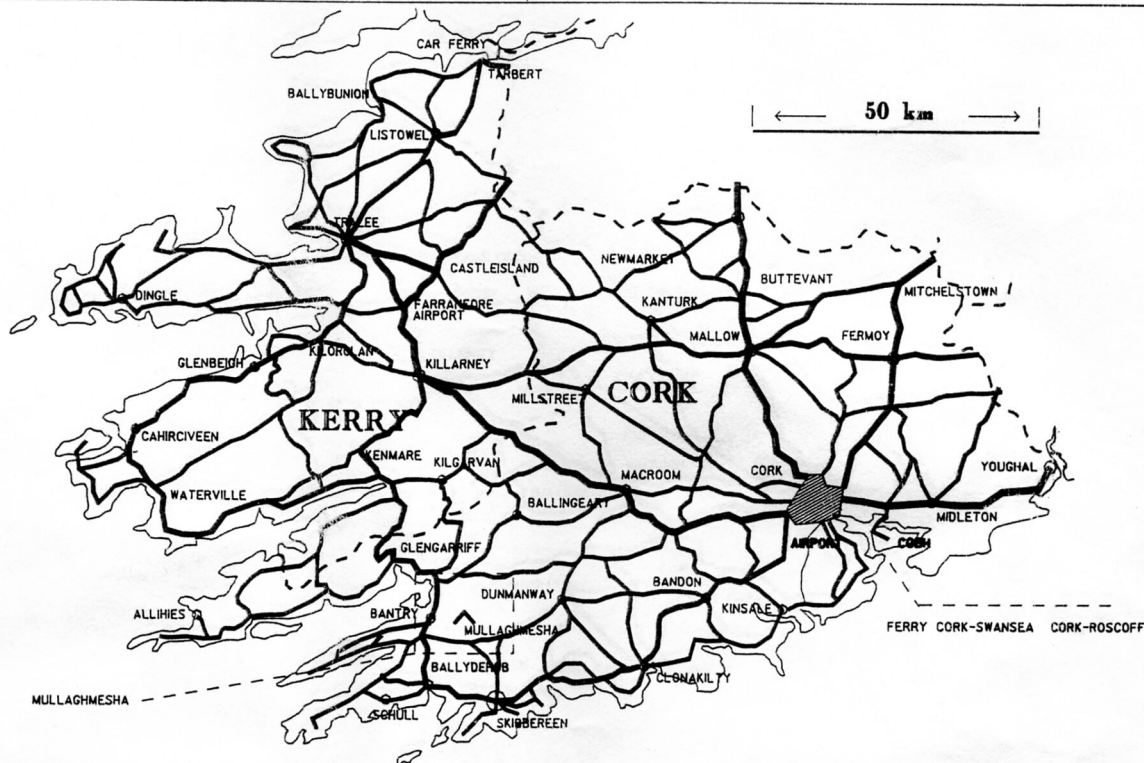
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AT THE HEAD OF BANTRY BAY.

OVERLOOKING THE LENGTH OF THE BAY TO
THE ATLANTIC.

TO BE FLOWN BY APPOINTMENT ONLY.



Flight Information

LONG COASTAL RIDGE.

EXCELLENT RIGGING AND LAUNCH AREA.

LARGE TOP LANDING AREA.

DO NOT BOTTOM LAND IF POSSIBLE - THIS INVOLVES A LONG DRIVE TO RETRIEVE
AND NUMEROUS GATES WHICH MUST BE SHUT!

GOOD X/C POTENTIAL.

PILOT RATING: I+ UNDER SUPERVISION.

Remarks

ACCESS IS STEEP BUT USUALLY PASSABLE.

ALL GATES MUST BE SHUT - PARK OFF THE ROAD.

THIS IS A BUSY SITE - A PARAGLIDING SCHOOL OPERATES HERE.

A HORSE RIDING CENTRE IS SITUATED AT THE FOOT OF THE HILL.

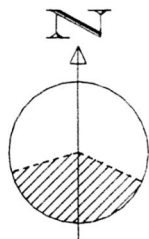
General

EXCELLENT AMENITIES.

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EIREVENTURE PARAGLIDING SCHOOL tel. 027\51567.

MWEELIN



ASL: 1603'

AGL: 900'

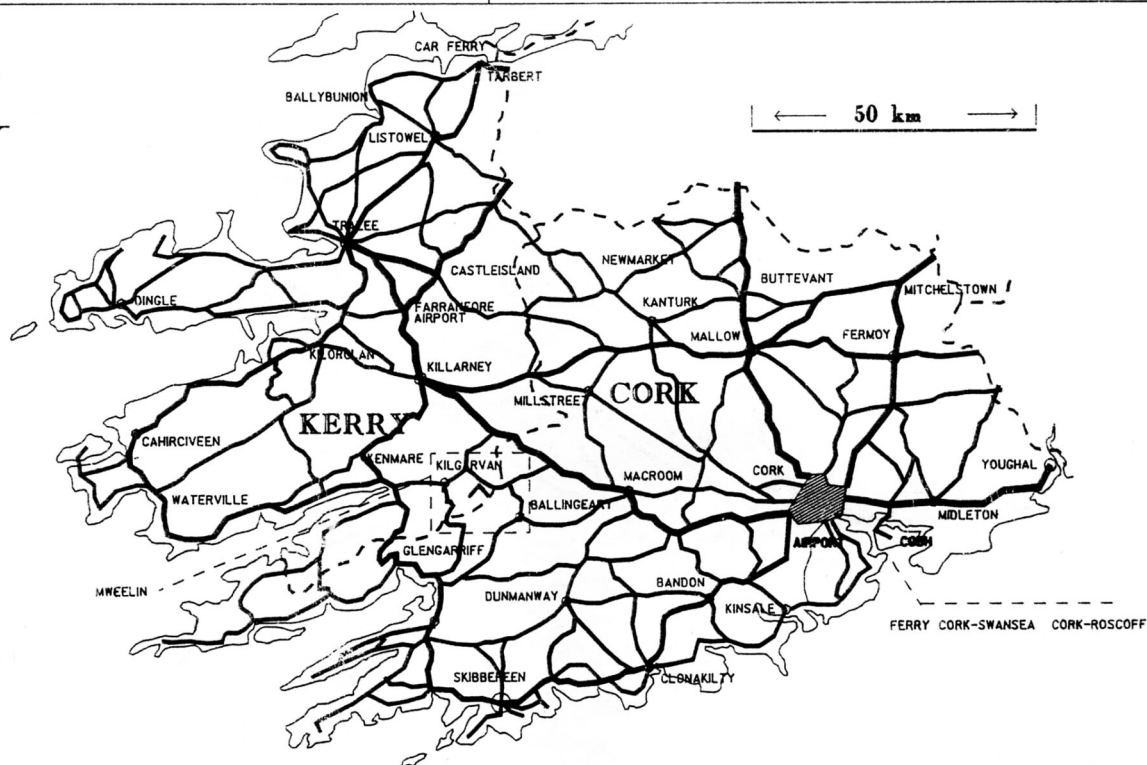
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MAP NO. 21

LARGE INLAND SITE IN THE HEART
OF A GAELIC SPEAKING AREA.

ON THE CORK KERRY BORDER.

ACCESS FROM THE BALLINGEARY
TO KILGARVAN ROAD.



Flight Information

LONG RIDGE AND LARGE BOWL.
CHOICE OF MANY SAFE LAUNCH AREAS.
SUITABLE FOR TOP LANDING - AVOID TURF CUTS !
BEWARE OF ROTOR BEHIND FENCE ON S.W. FACE.
GOOD BOTTOM LANDINGS.
EXCELLENT X/C POTENTIAL.
PILOT RATING : 1 UNDER SUPERVISION

Remarks

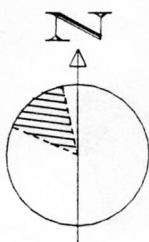
ROUGH BUT EASILY PASSABLE ROAD TO LAUNCH.
ON WARM DAYS MANY PEOPLE CUT PEAT ON THE MOUNTAIN -
DRIVE SLOWLY AND SHUT ALL GATES.

General

FOOD AND DRINK: "ARD NA LAOI" PUB, BALLINGEARY.

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PORTMAGEE



ASL: 1221

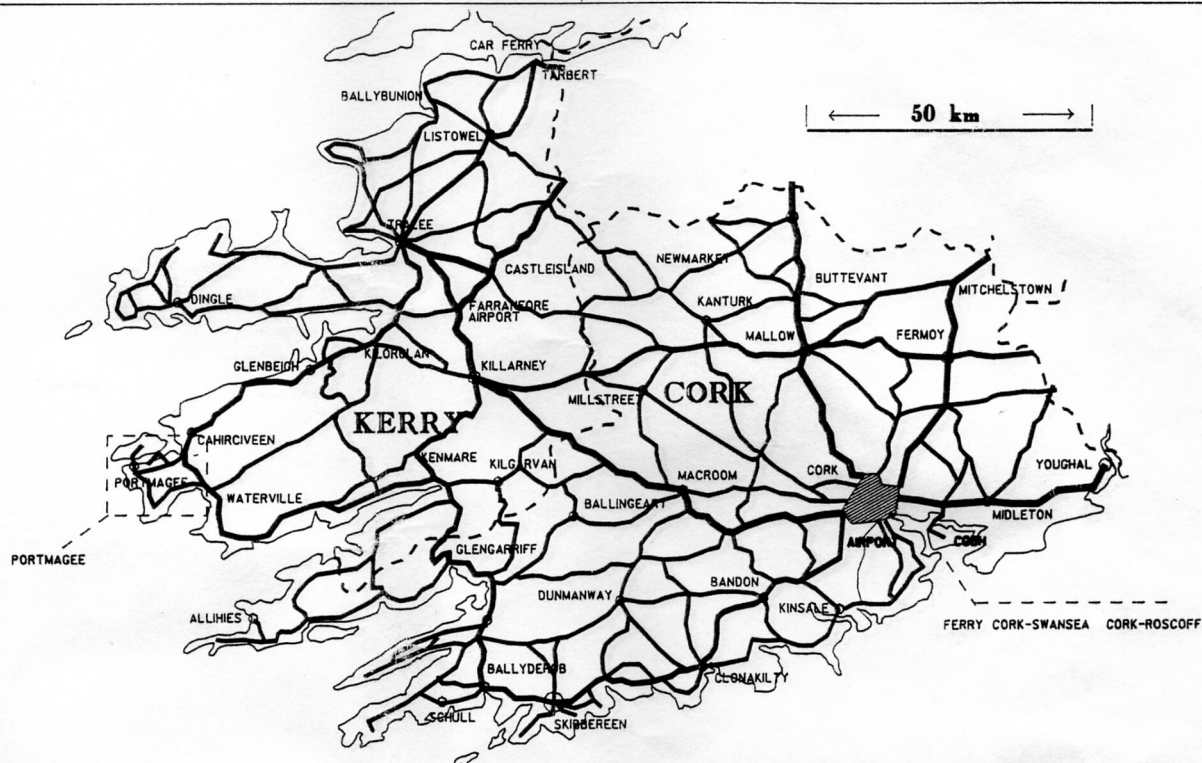
AGL: 900

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MAP NO. 20

LOOKS TOWARDS PORTMAGEE CHANNEL
AND VALENCIA ISLAND.

ACCESS VIA PUBLIC ROAD
FROM THE S.W.



Flight Information

COASTAL SITE.
EXCELLENT RIGGING AND LAUNCH AREA.
SUITABLE FOR TOP LANDING.
GOOD BOTTOM LANDING.

PILOT RATING: I

Remarks

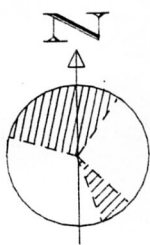
GOOD ROAD TO TOP.

LOVELY VIEWS.

General

EXCELLENT AMENITIES.
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ROSSBEIGH



ASL: 905'

AGL: 900'

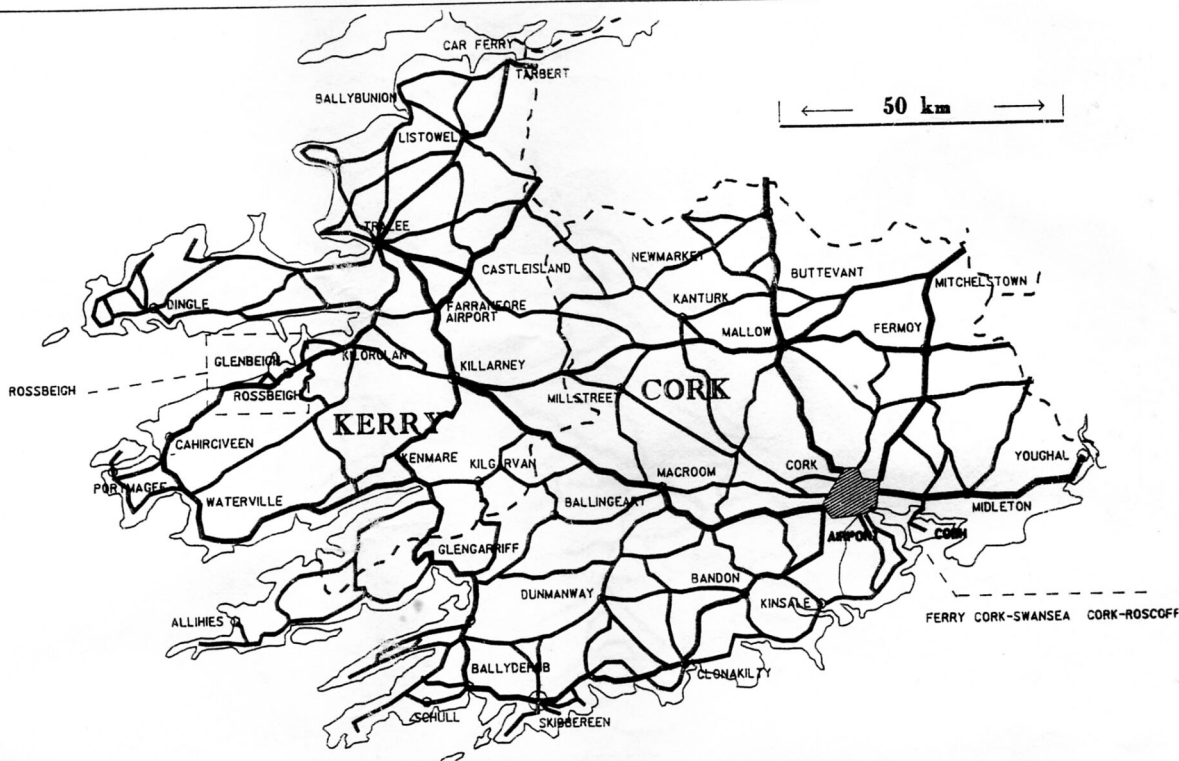
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MAP NO. 20

ON THE RING OF KERRY OVERLOOKING
ROSSBEIGH BEACH.

ADJACENT TO GLENBEIGH VILLAGE.

ACCESS ROAD FROM THE WEST.



Flight Information

LONG STEEP RIDGE - GOOD COASTAL SOARING SITE.
EXCELLENT RIGGING AND LAUNCH AREA.
NOT SUITABLE FOR TOP LANDING.
BOTTOM LANDING ON HUGE BEACH AREA.
GOOD X/C POTENTIAL.
PILOT RATING: 1 UNDER SUPERVISION ; 2 FOR S.E. FACE.

Remarks

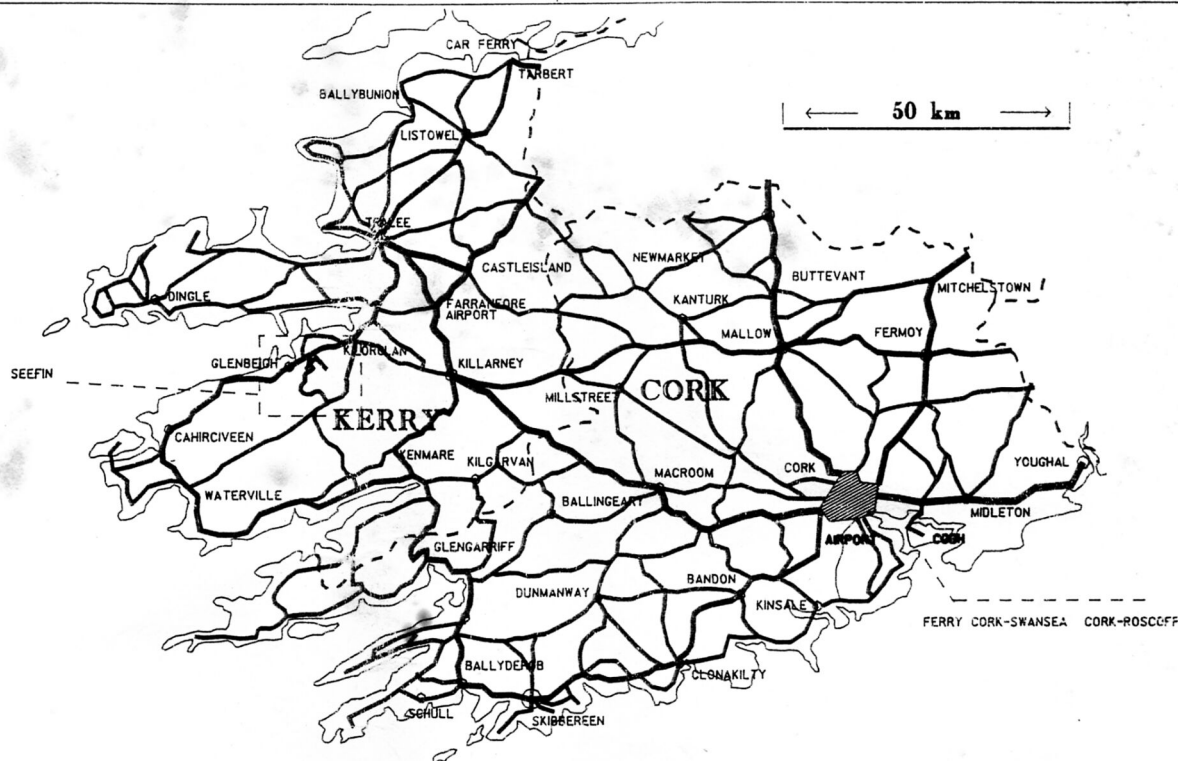
ROAD WITH CAR PARK TO THE TOP PROVIDED BY THE LOCAL
COMMUNITY COUNCIL FOR HANG GLIDING AND PARAGLIDING.
BEAUTIFUL VIEWS.

General

EXCELLENT AMENITIES.
GLENBEIGH IS A POPULAR IRISH TOURIST VILLAGE.
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TO THE EAST OF GLENBEIGH VILLAGE.
OVERLOOKING CARAGH LAKE.
ACCESS FROM THE EAST.



GOOD COASTAL SOARING.
EXCELLENT RIGGING AND LAUNCH AREA.
LARGE TOP LANDING AREA.
REASONABLE BOTTOM LANDING AREA.
GOOD X/C POTENTIAL.
SUGGESTED PILOT RATING : I WITH SUPERVISION.

GOOD ROAD TO TOP
LAUNCH AREA ON SPUR TO N.E. OF SEEFIN.
CLOSE GATE AT BOTTOM OF ACCESS ROAD.
SPECTACULAR VIEW.

AS FOR ROSSBEIGH.
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