



Birdwatch Ireland Kildare Branch

Scheduled monthly event

Walk event – Outing to Howth

What: A walk round the piers of Howth to observe sea birds

When: Saturday the 11th of June 2022 at 10.00h,

Meeting point: Meet at the King Sitric Restaurant, (East Pier) at 10am

Howth

The name Howth is thought to be of Norse origin, perhaps being derived from the Old Norse Hǫfuð ("head" in English). After Brian Ború, the High King of Ireland, defeated the Norse in 1014, many Norse fled to Howth to regroup and remained a force until their final defeat in Fingal in the middle of the 11th century. Howth still remained under the control of Irish and localised Norse forces until the invasion of Ireland by the Anglo-Normans in 1169. Without the support of either the Irish or Scandinavian powers, Howth was isolated and fell to the Normans in 1177. (Wiki)



Got some difficulty distinguishing between an arctic and common tern? Get some practise on Saturday the 11th June at Howth.



Arctic tern

Dick Coombes



Common tern

Gale VerHague



Shay Connolly

Grab the chance to see a Black Guillemot

Birds of Howth

One of the most popular locations to go bird watching in Dublin is Howth. The local council has always provided free parking throughout the village to encourage visitors. There are 2 piers in the harbour and you can walk along both of them. There is a linear park along the seafront between the two piers. Most of the birds are to be seen outside the harbour. But keep an eye on the inner harbour for guillemots and cormorants.

Along the way, there are several other opportunities to park. There are beautiful views of Ireland's Eye. Terns often feed close to the harbour in summer.

<https://www.birdwatchingireland.com/bird-watching-dublin-howth-harbour>

