

Wicklow Mountains Path Survey

Mullaghcleevaun Mullaghcleevaun East Top	
Start to Finish:	O 0680 0706 to O 0825 0669
Altitude (lowest – highest):	755m – 849m
Weather:	Hot
Access:	Glenbride
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Abbreviations used:


- pw = path width
- tape = measuring tape set to 0.5m or 1m in a photograph for scale
- NSEW = North, South, East, West
- pic = photograph
- avg = average



No	Pos Irish Grid O	Comments / Photographs
1	0680 0706	start Mullaghcleevaun summit
2	same	<p data-bbox="430 457 1266 520">pic25 at the Trig Point looking E shows the broad summit area; short grass and bare stone</p> 



3	100m on	<p>pic26 looking S shows peat erosion on the summit area, Barnacullian ridge in the middle distance and a hazy Tonelagee in the background</p> 
4	100m on	<p>pic26 looking back towards the summit shows quad tracks; tape 1m; no defined path in this area</p> 


5	07005 06973	<p>pic28 shows the terrain ahead, short cropped grass, exposed granite rock and occasional peat banks; Mull East Top in the background</p> 
6	200m on	<p>pic29 looking back, Mullaghcleevaun summit on the horizon, shows the same terrain; a lot of bike tracks cross this area</p> 

<p>7</p>	<p>07300 06860</p>	<p>pic30 looking ahead towards East Top shows the descending slope and boggy saddle between Mullaghcleevaun and East Top; exposed peat and granite soil with some grass cover</p> 
<p>8</p>	<p>further on, at the bottom of the slope</p>	 <p>pic32 closeup; tape 0.5m; shows deep water gully in the exposed peat – the dark-stained peat still damp</p>

9	same	<p data-bbox="430 142 1247 212">pic33v looking back up the slope shows a more general view; tape 0.5m</p> 
10	07628 06745	<p data-bbox="430 1218 1321 1287">pic 34 looking downslope shows the dried out blanket peat lying on granite soil; tape 0.5m</p> 

11	same	<p>pic36 looking ahead, across the ripples of peat up to East Top; the peat is dry after a record dry summer; some areas (darker patches) are still damp on the surface; this area is a morass in winter</p> 
12	200m on	<p>natural blanket bog weathering seen on the slopes of Mullaghcleevaun in the background; pic37, looking back shows this and the exposed peat area of the saddle in the foreground</p> 

13	08082 06728	<p>walkers generally cross this saddle on the northern side to avoid the worst of the bare peat; pic38 looking back shows a faint, not well defined path in the foreground; tape 1m; the most walked area is on the right of the photograph; the bare peat on the left</p> 
14		<p>on the final few metres up to the cairn on East Top, pic 39 shows a 1m wide path on the grassy slope</p> 

15		<p>pic40 looks back from the summit to Mullaghcleevaun; tape 1m in the foreground on the not very defined path</p> 
16	0825 0669	Mullaghcleevaun East Top summit
17		END