

Leicestershire and Rutland Bat Group

Summer Programme Events 2022

As with all evening events, even in the summer, the weather can be cool after sunset. Wear warm clothes and bring a torch. The walks may be over uneven/wet ground so please wear appropriate footwear. If the weather looks 'iffy' it is worth checking your emails before you set off in case of cancellation. If it is raining heavily or windy the event is unlikely to go ahead. Some bat detectors will be available but if you have your own, please bring it.

Walks are free to bat group members and £3 for others.

Booking is essential for all walks/surveys as numbers are limited. Please note that our events will also be advertised in the LRWT magazine so please book early, and remember to cancel if you can no longer attend.

May

Friday 27th May Walk at Watermead North Country Park meeting at 9.30pm on Whiles Lane Birstall LE4 4EE Leader Ann Gleave. Please email batevents@outlook.com to book

June

Monday 06th Dusk survey Chitterman Grange near Markfield. NBMP survey of Brown Long Eared bat maternity roost. Meet 8.45pm, bring a chair. Leader Dave Robinson. Booking by email to batevents@outlook.com is essential. Numbers are very limited as this is a private house

Wednesday 08th Dusk survey Charnwood Lodge near Coalville. NBMP survey of Natterer's bat maternity roost. Meet 8.45pm, bring a chair. Leader Dave Robinson. Booking by email to batevents@outlook.com is essential. Numbers are limited.

Wednesday 8th Dusk survey at Egleton Church, Rutland, LE15. Near Rutland Water. NBMP survey of Soprano Pipistrelle maternity roost with hundreds of bats emerging. Meet at 9.00pm, bring a chair. Leader Jenny Harris. **Booking essential**, text 07897 123566, or leave a message on 01572 755274.

Thursday 9th Dusk survey at Braunston-in-Rutland Church, LE15. Near Oakham. NBMP count of Soprano Pipistrelles. The Bats in Churches Project have carried out mitigation work here to reduce problem of droppings in the church. Leader Jenny Harris. Meet at the church at 9.00pm. **Booking essential**: text 07897 123566 or leave a message on 01572 755274.

Saturday 11th Dusk survey Freeby Church NBMP Freeby Village near Melton Mowbray LE14. Natterer's bat maternity roost and common pipistrelles. Meet 8.45pm, bring a chair. Leader Jenny Harris. **Booking essential** text 07897 123566, or leave a message on 01572 755274

Friday 17th Dusk survey Chitterman Grange near Markfield. Meet 8.45pm, bring a chair. Leader Peter Proudlove. Booking by email to batevents@outlook.com is essential. Numbers are very limited as this is a private house.

Saturday 18th Dusk survey Charnwood Lodge near Coalville. Natterer's bat maternity roost. Meet 8.45pm, bring a chair. Leader Peter Proudlove. Booking by email to batevents@outlook.com is essential. Numbers are limited.

Monday 20th Dusk survey at Braunston-in-Rutland Church, LE15. See details for 9th June above.

Tuesday 21st Dusk survey at Egleton Church, Rutland, LE15. See details 8th June above; last year nearly 1000 Soprano pips were counted

Thursday 23rd Dusk survey Freeby Church LE14 Meet 9.15 bring a chair. To book see details 11th June above.

July

Friday 22nd July 9.30pm Walk at Zouch LE12 Leader Peter Proudlove. Please email batevents@outlook.com to book. A walk through fields and along the river Soar near Zouch.

August

Friday 5th August 9pm Walk at Moira Furnace Leader Peter Proudlove. A walk along the canal and through the furnace plantation. Please email batevents@outlook.com to book

Friday 19th August 8.30pm Walk around Aylestone Meadows. Leader Ann Gleave. A walk past the meadow and back along the canal towpath. Please email batevents@outlook.com to book

September

Saturday 10th September 7pm Walk at Lyndon Nature Reserve Rutland Water LE15 8RN. Leader Jenny Harris. Please email batevents@outlook.com to book