



The Echo



Newsletter of the Warwickshire Bat Group

June 2003



AGM

**Warwickshire Bat Group's
AGM is being held on
Monday 23rd. June,
7.30pm., Miller Suite,
Visitors Centre, Coombe
Abbey Country Park,
Nr.Coventry.**



Sorry for the long gap since the last

newsletter, but as you can see we now have something important to tell you about.

Over the last few years us "old lags" have all been getting busier & busier and finding it tricky to get together to organise things. And although our enthusiasm for bats is undiminished, we know that we've acquired a lot of new members who would love to get more involved if they had the chance. So.....

If you possibly can, do come along to the AGM. We try to make them as informal as possible & as we're at Coombe we'll be going for a bat walk as soon as we can get through the "business"!

Even if you don't want to get too involved, come & find out where your subs go & give some suggestions about new bat activities you'd like to see.

If for any reason you've got a good excuse for not attending (nothing to do with football is acceptable) but would like to volunteer your services or any ideas, then drop us a line (or ring or e-mail) & I'll read it out.

All our bat species are under pressure & need our help. Let's make sure WBG doesn't become endangered!

See over for the batty events diary.

DIARY.

Sun. 15th. June

Solihull Environment Day.

Brueton Park, Solihull

WBG display & info stall.

11.00 – 16.00

Friday 27th. June

Draycote Water Res./Country Park

Nr. Rugby.

Bat Walk . Meet 21.00.

(NB There may be a small charge for parking)

Sat. 28th. June

Ryton Pools Country Park.

Creatures of the Night – BBQ & Bat Walk. Bring your own food for BBQ.

Meet at Visitors Centre 20.30 for BBQ, 21.30 for Bat Walk.

Adults:£1.50 Concessions: £1.00 Family: £3.50

Booking essential 01827 872660

Sat. 2nd Aug.

The Whitacres & Shustoke Annual Show

At Blythe Hall, Shustoke (B4114)

WBG display stands & info. stall.

11.00 – 17.30

Weds. 20th. Aug.

Kingsbury Water Park

Bat Night – A short talk followed by jacket potatoes in the Old Barn Coffee Shop & then a bat walk.

Meet at the Info Centre.

19.30 – 22.00

Cost (inc. food) Adults: £3.50 Concessions: £3.00

Booking essential 01827 872660

Fri. 12th. Sept.

Charlecote Park (NT)

Bat Walk

19.30 – 21.00

Cost: £3.00

Booking essential 01789 470277

Sat.13th. Sept.

Charlecote Park (NT)

Bat Walk

19.30 – 21.00

Cost: £3.00

Booking essential 01789 470277

Fri. 19th. Sept.

Nuneaton Bat Walk – Nuneaton, Bar Pool balancing lake.

Meet at the lake in Elizabeth Road.

19.30

Please book in advance – 024 7637 6494

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STOP PRESS!

Warks. Wildlife Trusts Brandon Reserve Group have arranged for two members of Norfolk Bat Group to come over & give a talk on the very exciting Barbastelle project they are involved in, & they have kindly invited members of WBG to attend.

This will probably be on a Thurs. night in Aug. at Brandon Marsh Visitors Centre, but details aren't yet finalised.

Hopefully full information will be available in the next newsletter, to appear as soon as possible after the AGM.



The next newsletter may be a fuller one with articles of more general "bat" interest.

If you have anything for inclusion, please send it to the Echo asap.