

Somerset Bat Group Spring & Summer Programme 2017



Programme Spring/Summer 2017

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Sat 25th Feb 2pm-4pm.	SBG Meeting at SWT Offices, Taunton. Nick Tomlinson report on Routes to the River Tone conclusion, and Olivia Morton BCT Helpline Officer – info on volunteering for BCT surveys etc.	Somerset Wildlife Trust 34 Wellington Rd, Taunton, TA1 5AW Parking in Tesco nearby.
Sat 25th March 9.30-4pm	SW Bat Conference with Bat Conservation Trust A day of lectures/workshops/bat research topics and networking with all SW bat workers. Booking: – bats.org.uk.	Petroc College Tiverton, Devon
Wed 19th April 7.30pm	SWT Trainees Bat walk Cheddar Leader: Dave Cottle <i>A few bat group members welcome to assist (email dandacottle@btinternet.com)</i>	Cheddar car park below caves
Sat 29th April 2pm for 2:30pm	SBG AGM – Subs due for 2017 Adel Avery (Secretary) to collect £5 per member (includes all at same address) or post cheque to Somerset Bat Group, BACS – email Adel. Guest Speakers: SWT? Matthew Marshall tbc Mark Steer? UWE – Quarry bats project & restoration of quarries? tbc	SWT Callow Rock Offices, Shipham, nr Cheddar. Grid ref ST 448 560
Fri 19th May 8pm	SWT Bat Walk – Vallis Vale near Frome, Naturally Healthy Month event. Leader: Adel Avery e: adel@nettlebridge.com Bat group members support welcome Book: lila.morris@somersetwildlife.org	Park at Elm Lane, Egford car park, off Egford Lane, Frome BA11 3JA grid ref ST757485
Sat 27th May 10am-3.30pm	Bat box checks at Westhay, Catcott SWT reserves, Shapwick Heath & Canada Farm (NE) Leader: Paul Kennedy 01823 652749/0781 2442631 email: chopped@btinternet.com <i>All day event, packed lunch.</i>	Westhay SWT, Daggs Lane Drove ST456437/Catcott SWT ST399414
31st May – mid June	NBMP – BCT Roost count surveys for Lesser Horseshoe/Pipistrelle/Serotine – contact Peter Gulliver if you wish to volunteer to join a team or know a roost to count near you. Details: bats.org.uk email: pgulliver1947@gmail.com	Roosts in Somerset
July	NBMP – BCT Field Surveys www.bats.org.uk for details and sign up. Take on your own survey transect.	Transects all over Somerset.
Fri 21st July 7.30 - 12.00pm	BLACKDOWNS BAT SURVEY/Walks Details TBC – Booking SercRecords@somerc.com , ring 01823 652424	Otterford Parish Hall, in Bishopswood, TA20 3RS
Fri 28th July 8.30pm-10.45pm	Shapwick Heath NNR/Natural England Bat walk public event, <i>bat group support needed.</i> Leader: Paul Kennedy – email: chopped@btinternet.com	Avalon Marshes centre, Westhay, ST426 413

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Fri 4th August or 11 th August tbc. 7.30pm	BRUE VALLEY BIG BAT SURVEY (5th year) – Avalon Marshes, Westhay. Details tbc to lead a transect or volunteer, book SercRecords@somerc.com (aiming to re-survey at least 8 transects which we haven't recorded more than 1 x).	Avalon Marshes centre, Westhay ST426 413
Tues 22nd August 8pm -9.30pm	Bat Walk – Bishops Palace Wells, Wells Nat History group. <i>Bat group members welcome.</i> Leader: Dave Cottle - email: dandacottle@btinternet.com	Bishop's Palace, Wells, BA52PD, parking in nearby market square or on Silver St.
Sat 9th Sept 7.15pm	Bat walk – Cheddar Gorge (SWT Mendip Hills group/Ged Keele) <i>bat group members welcome to join in/assist.</i> Leader: Dave Cottle email: dandacottle@btinternet.com	Parking in Cheddar Gorge, above Caves or lower down gorge. (free in eves). Meet by Show Caves top of gorge.
Fri 22nd Sept 6.45pm – 8.30pm	Bat Walk – Frome Welshmill Park, Frome Outdoor Open Spaces Group event (FROGS). <i>Bat group members support welcome,</i> leader: Adel Avery. Email: adel@nettlebridge.com	Cheese and Grain Car Park, meet by Canoe Club, or park Welshmill Park entrance.
Sat 23rd Sept tbc 10am	Bat Box checks at Great Breach Wood, Ham Wall & NNR <i>All day event, bring lunch/drinks.</i> Leader: Paul Kennedy 01823 652749/07572 594096	Great Breach Wood ST507 325, Ham Wall/(Ashcott Corner) Grid Ref ST449 397
Sat 21st Oct 10am-3pm.	Bat Box Checks – Harridge Woods & Edford Woods SWT Reserves In East Mendips. <i>All day bring snacks/drinks/wellies as wet.</i> Leader Adel Avery – email: adel@nettlebridge.com	Harridge Woods, ST648 484 BA3 5AA at Nettlebridge, 1 mile from Oakhill on A367.

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