

The revised programme is:

Sat 15th August

- 11:00 - 16:30 King's Wood box survey (bring food and drink)
- 19:00 *Briefing meeting* for Saturday night's trapping (*Stockgrove Visitors' Centre*).
- 19:30 until late: Mist netting and trapping in King's Wood, with some roost monitoring in the wood.



Sun 16th August

- 11:00 - 16:30 Walk through Stockgrove, Oak Wood and Rushmere, checking bat boxes as we go and planning the evening's trapping.
- 19:15 *Briefing meeting* for Sunday night's trapping (*Rushmere Visitors' Centre*).
- 19:30 until late. Mist netting and trapping at Rushmere and Oak Wood with monitoring of emergence from roosts.

Netting will probably continue past midnight on both nights, but it should be possible to make arrangements for some people to leave earlier as long as we know in advance – please discuss this when you book.

A number of Bat Group members have already told us they plan to take part, which is great news. We'd like to encourage more of you to come along to at least some sessions – it should be exciting, with a chance of encountering plenty of bat species as well as meeting members of other bat groups.

The organisational complexity of putting on survey work on this scale means that we shall need to plan everyone's participation carefully. Could you please **let us know by Friday 31st July which sessions you want to come to**. We'll then let you know about car parking arrangements.

We're building in some arrangements for South Lancashire Bat Group members and others who are coming from out of county. These include a welcome meeting on the Saturday afternoon at 17:00 at Stockgrove Visitors' Centre, which will include talks on the ecology and history of the Greater Stockgrove area and on the Bat Group's work there since 1990. We'll also make arrangements for out-of-county people to get food after the welcome meeting on Saturday and before the briefing meeting on Sunday. We're thinking of a picnic lunch at Stockgrove for Sunday lunch time. **If you want to be involved in the welcome meeting or any of the meals, please let us know by Wednesday 15th July**. This does involve planning ahead, but it means that we can ensure that we've made appropriate arrangements for everyone to eat in time for the start of the trapping sessions.

* For the same reason, we shall need all participants in the netting and trapping sessions to be there at the briefing meeting for the night (19:00 on Saturday or 19:15 on Sunday).