

# Bat walk in Glinsk

I'm delighted to announce the next in our series of bat walks around County Galway, which will be in Glinsk this Saturday (28th June). This will be the second of our six scheduled walks this summer, which are organised jointly by the Galway Bat Group and the 'People and Nature' project of Galway County Council.

Each of the bat walks will be slightly different, and the event this weekend will be preceded by a slideshow presentation by Kate McAney, one of the foremost bat experts in the west of Ireland. Her talk will be about half an hour long, and will include: information on the different species of bat that can be found in Galway, an overview of the myths surrounding bats, and some of the principles of bat detecting work. Kate is a wonderful speaker, and I hope that you'll be able to make it up to Glinsk to hear her!

Following the walk, we'll head out around the town, woodlands and lake, to see what types of bat we can find. Glinsk is a beautiful town, and is well worth the visit, both in the night-time as well as the day!

Please meet at the National School in Glinsk by 9pm. The town is located in the north-east of the county, near the border with Roscommon and the River Suck. By road, you can get there via Ballymoe, Glenamaddy or Williamstown.

There is a chance that the weather might be wet, so please bring a waterproof jacket and your favourite wellies!

If you have any questions about the event, please contact me at 087-6839771 or [elaine.oriordan@nuigalway.ie](mailto:elaine.oriordan@nuigalway.ie).

*Hope to see you there on Saturday!*

**Nick Marchant** (*temporary stand-in for Elaine O'Riordan!*)

## **Summer Programme of Public Events for the Galway Bat Group, 2008**

**Saturday 24 May      Coole Park**

**Saturday 28 June      Glinsk**

**Saturday 12 July      St Nicholas Cathedral, Galway City**

**Saturday 26 July      Oughterard**

**Saturday 16 August      Coole Park**

**Saturday 20 August      Aughnanure Castle, Oughterard (Dawn swarm)**