

Dear All

Please find below the 2<sup>nd</sup> notification of the IAH fieldtrip.

- For those who have previously notified me of their interest in attending can I ask you to reconfirm via email and send your cheques to me at the address below.
- For those just deciding, to notify me by email and send your cheques to me. Receipts will be issued on the day.
- For all going can you state whether will want to go via coach or in car. It may be possible to arrange a pick-up North of Dublin so if you would desire this please let me know.
- As the trip will include a visit to a quarry you are requested to bring appropriate PPE gear including a hard hat, hi-vis jacket and appropriate footwear. Some spare PPE will be available for those without access to such items.
- Please note that you will have to book your own accommodation. Some suggestions are presented on the flyer. You are advised to do this sooner rather than later as accommodation options are not as extensive as might be expected in Enniskillen town
- Can you let me know whether you would wish to attend a group dinner in the evening at an Italian style restaurant

Thank you

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Rooskey Turlough



**International Association of Hydrogeologists (Irish Group)  
Annual Field Trip**

**Date: September Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> 2008**

**Field Trip: 'Break for the Border'**

The IAH fieldtrip is heading north this year.

The trip will be based around Lower Lough Erne where, following an overview of the Cuilcagh Mountain hydrogeology presented by *Les Brown* we will visit the Marble Arch Geopark including a visit underground (water levels permitting) to see the cave system.

The weekend will include a visit to Northern Ireland's only recognised turloughs where an explanation will be given of what assessment and action was taken to address the impact from a nearby quarry. We will include a visit to a less common quarry development where extraction is taking place from an igneous dyke. *David McLorinan* will outline the hydrogeological investigation undertaken to support a planning application for further development at the site.

Other sites to be visited subject to time constraints are

- (i) Annagh Wood, County Cavan – wetland site under pressure from infrastructure development
- (ii) the Oona Water CHASM catchment near Dungannon where extensive catchment hydrological and surface water chemistry data collection and interpretation has been undertaken by the University of Ulster.

**Proposed Itinerary**

**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup>**

Dublin  
Annagh Wood Wetland  
Oona catchment – Dungannon  
Igneous Dyke Quarry – SW of Irvinestown

We will be based in Enniskillen town for the Saturday night.

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup>**

Enniskillen  
Rooskey Turlough  
Marble Arch Caves  
Dublin

## Notes:

Currently we are planning to have one 24 seater bus available from GSI, Dublin on Saturday morning leaving ~ 9.30 am offered on a first come basis (~16 people already notified interest). For any over this it is hoped car share can cover this. Return to Dublin for 5-6 pm.

Estimated charge (no meals included):

50 euro for those travelling in bus.

15 euro for those travelling by car.

Receipts will be issued.

You will have to organise your own accommodation in Enniskillen.

### Accommodation options include

Killyhevlin Hotel [www.killyhevlin.com](http://www.killyhevlin.com) – Luxury Spa Hotel just on outskirts of Enniskillen ~ 115 euro plus

Belmore Court Motel [www.motel.co.uk](http://www.motel.co.uk) ~ 75 euro single/double , in town centre (NB may not be available to book for a single night – please check with motel)

Railway Hotel [www.railwayhotelenniskillen.com](http://www.railwayhotelenniskillen.com) ~ 60 euro ( in town and friendly staff but only 1 star rating in tourist board so would not expect a lot of the rooms)

Fort Lodge Hotel ~ 65 euro ( 5 minute walk to town centre, seen better days, disco on Saturday night, [www.tripadvisor.com](http://www.tripadvisor.com) comments suggest proceed with caution!)

Mountview Guest House (just over 1/2 mile from centre) from 60 euro single [www.mountviewguests.com](http://www.mountviewguests.com) (2 star rating)

Rossole Guest House (walking distance according to brochure) ~ from 45 euro single (1 mile from centre) (1 star rating)

Tirconaill Lodge B&B from 50 euro single [www.tirconailllodge.com](http://www.tirconailllodge.com) (5minutes drive?)

Clinton Centre Hostel [www.clintoncentre.co.uk](http://www.clintoncentre.co.uk) – in town centre (NB self-catering; :there is a restaurant on-site but unclear whether breakfast would be available Sunday morning – would need to check when booking)

*The Bridges Youth Hostel occupies the top two floors of The Clinton Centre and offers modern and comfortable facilities for guests who don't want the high cost. It has 20 ensuite rooms in a variety of sizes and, as part of the Hostelling International worldwide brand, the hostel has high standards in cleanliness, security, welcome, privacy and comfort.*

*Single, twin, four bed and six bed rooms are available making the accommodation suitable for individuals, families and groups.*

If you wish to attend please fill out the form and return to me via email. For those who have already expressed an interest can you please confirm by email.

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