

# blurb!

The regular newsletter of



Brookvale  
Community Association

ISSUE 54  
May 2011

In this issue: \* Events \* Bygones \* Committee \* Consultations \* Lottery \* Events \* Clubs \* Volunteers

## Brookvale In Bloom Entry closing date 30th June Enter now!



### OUR FRIENDLY LOCAL COMPETITION

Themes – water conservation, wildlife friendly, platinum/gold

With Octopus Play Activities for the kiddies!

#### CLASSES for all ages!

1. SMALL FRONT GARDEN – up to 6ft x 12ft
2. STANDARD FRONT GARDEN
3. A HANGING BASKET, WINDOW BOX or TUB
4. TRAY GARDEN—“WIMBLEDON” all ages

JUDGING – Early JULY Prizes 23rd July at the hall 2pm

PRIZE TOKENS £15 & £10 & £5 FOR EACH CLASS WINNER

#### NEW! NEIGHBOURS' 3-HOUSE-CHALLENGE CUP JOINT THEME!

- \* COLOURS– Platinum/Gold
- \* KITCHEN GARDEN – SALADS, HERBS, BEANS?
- \* RENTING? BASKETS AND TUBS ARE GREAT!

Plant Sale 23rd July

**BY 30th June, ENTER** WITH YOUR NAME, ADDRESS & CLASS

E-MAIL: [info@Brookvale.org](mailto:info@Brookvale.org); OR POST: C/O THE ORCHARD, RG 21 4AF;  
OR TEXT 07807 552 669; Or GIVE TO ANY COMMITTEE MEMBER.

Kindly sponsored by Basingstoke & Deane Borough Council



For all the latest local news , events and information, visit our website:

[www.brookvale.org.uk](http://www.brookvale.org.uk)

Continued on Page 2 >

< Continued from Page 1

**Committee Meetings**

You are very welcome to join us to raise Community issues and help plan events, maybe become a Committee Member!

**3Cs Coffee Morning**

At each 3C's meet Colin Puddephatt of Shaw Trust to learn about their South Ham garden project work and their over 60s external garden services.

**From Your Vulnerable Person's Officer**

In 2010 HCC Adult Services rated as 'performing well' supported 90,000 people, whose numbers and complexity of needs will grow. The budget for this is being reduced by £24.4M.

See me about responding to cuts in both Adult's and Children's Services

A consultation on special educational needs and disability ends on 30th June: <http://www.education.gov.uk/consultations/index.cfm?action=consultationDetails&consultationId=1748&external=no&menu=1>

The DOT provide Pavement Parking Ban signs: <http://www.wired-gov.net/wg/wg-news-1.nsf/lfi/418175>

<p>Cocchiarella Professional Tailoring</p> <p>Ladies and Gents garments Alterations &amp; Repairs 30 years experience. 7 day service</p> <p>7 Deep Lane, Basingstoke Telephone 01256 468727</p>
---

**Say It Once** Common Assessment Framework offers a Personal Profile which you can fill in with the information you wish to share with Health Professionals and keep it in a safe place for when needed in an emergency. You could list allergies, medication with contact details of friends and relatives. Download from: <http://www.sayitonce.info/>

**The Disability Forum** are Planning the New "Back Bi-Polar Demand" Video. See me for details.

Paul Midgley of the Disability Forum **quote for the day:** "It's nice to be important but more important to be nice"

**BCA Matters**

- Volunteers** for:
- \* Village Plan (Malcolm)
  - \* Hall Booking Agent (Rebecca)

**Paid** local part-time hall cleaner 6hrs pw apply by 1/6/11 (Rebecca)

BCA are liaising with B&DBC about **Queens and Alexander Roads permit parking** consultation to be conducted by post by 1/6/11. Representations to Barry Ford (01256-844844) copying Cllr Shaw.

See rear page for above contacts.

**Concessionary Fares** are now reduced £32 annual vouchers for Dial A Ride, Call & Go, Taxis, Voluntary Drivers: [http://www3.hants.gov.uk/bus\\_pass\\_leaflet\\_final.pdf](http://www3.hants.gov.uk/bus_pass_leaflet_final.pdf)

<p><b>Do you need ... ??????????????</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>  more time with your family?</li> <li>  to supplement your pension?</li> <li>  to pay school &amp; university fees?</li> <li>  to improve your health?</li> <li>  to boost your income?</li> <li>  personal development?</li> </ul> <p>Phone 0844 453 1295 to find out how we can help you</p>
---

**BCA Bygones**

**Prof. Morris Entertainer 1950-2010 NORMAN DAVID MORRIS B.A. (Hons.) continued...**



**Cleggie My Mate Norm.**

**A Eulogy By Tom Gilvear:**

Norman also planned to set up (and a set up it was) an Exotic Rat Breeding Programme, where friends received a letter to advise they had been selected to receive either a Male or Female Exotic Rat, and were expected to liaise with others to ensure these exotic rats could reproduce, conserve the breed and increase their numbers. There were some very irate telephone conversations enquiring why THEY had been selected for some government backed scheme on Rat Breeding.



**To be continued...**

<p>marco polo Hair and Beauty</p> <p>5-star rated salon Open weekends (including Sundays) and until late during the week</p>
<p>47a Queens Road (01256) 812635 <a href="http://www.marcopolo-hair.co.uk">www.marcopolo-hair.co.uk</a></p>

Continued on Page 3 >

< Continued from Page 2

## Want £1000?

### from the Government?

At last a "it's too good to be true" opportunity which is – True.

Almost anyone in Brookvale can benefit from a new scheme that encourages households and business to invest in solar panels installed on your roof. The deal is good. Even a medium system can produce a up to £1000 a year in income and it's **tax free** and inflation proofed. The catch is that a system can cost £15,000 or more. But smaller ones are less than £9,999. Bulk buy could halve this price!

We want interested people to attend an open evening to get a lot more information on prices, reputable installers etc.

Also we want to set up a not for profit solar co-op in the area that can give unbiased advice and get the lowest prices and best deals.

Remember to get loft and cavity wall insulation first!

Contact Martin Heath on 07771 805000 or [info@btnet.ork.uk](mailto:info@btnet.ork.uk)



Six major Transition challenges:

- ☐ Resource Depletion, 'Peak Oil'
- ☐ Economic Contraction
- ☐ Population Increase
- ☐ Environmental Damage
- ☐ Consumerism - Waste
- ☐ CO2 emissions, Climate Change

## Development SubCtte

The **2010 minutes** were rewritten to structure them in terms of Local issues, Borough issues, County issues, and Central Govt legislation. The aim is to make easier reading.

The **BVS vacancy for a database person** to be re-advertised. We are seeking a person who can design a system that will hold thousands of emails in one place, that the committee can all log onto remotely, and find the latest situation on any issue.

The **Localism Bill** intends to hand back power to local people through the Community Right To Challenge to open the door to transform local public services and the Community Right To Buy any vital Community Asset.

This applies to Community and Voluntary Sector Groups, Parish Councils and Council Employees. Also incorporates a countdown to allow business plan preparation and obtain funding.

By 3rd May, the who, what and how long are being consulted at:

#### Right to Challenge:

<http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/localgovernment/righttochallengeconsultation>

#### Right to Buy:

<http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/localgovernment/righttobuyconsultation>



## Borough News

### Council blitz untaxed vehicles

Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council have new powers to remove any vehicles not displaying a valid tax disc on the public highway or parked in council-owned car parks.

Previously the Council had to notify the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency (DVLA) of untaxed vehicles and wait for action to be taken. But the new powers mean that vehicles can now be removed straight away and impounded.

In order to get a vehicle returned the owner will need to pay a fee of £200 plus storage charges and also provide a valid tax disc. All untaxed vehicles are reported to the DVLA so that they are able to pursue the owner for backdated car tax.

If the vehicle remains unclaimed after 14 days it can be scrapped or sold by auction.

Cabinet member for Communities, Sport and Leisure Cllr Clive Sanders said: "Unlicensed vehicles are a nuisance and potentially a danger. They can blight communities and attract vehicle crime and anti-social behaviour. Very often they are also unregistered or uninsured.

"It is a legal requirement to keep your car taxed and insured when it is on the road and anyone not doing so in the Borough may suffer the consequences."

For more information contact the council: 01256 844844 or: [www.basingstoke.gov.uk/go/untaxedvehicles](http://www.basingstoke.gov.uk/go/untaxedvehicles)

Continued on Page 4 >



&lt; Continued from Page 3

**Lottery Winners****3Cs Lottery Winners:****February 2011**

1st £50 Lottery number 897  
2nd £30 Lottery number 58  
3rd £20 Lottery number 44

**March 2010**

1st £50 Lottery number 337  
2nd £30 Lottery number 309  
3rd £20 Lottery number 601

**April 2011**

1st £50 Lottery number 68  
2nd £30 Lottery number 488  
3rd £20 Lottery number 865

For £1 per month, and an annual membership fee of 10p, there is a chance of winning each month either, £50, £30 or £20. Our other request is to ask for help with the collection of the subscriptions. If you would like to become a lottery member or help please contact: **Pam 01256-324313**

**Friends of Willis Museum****May 19th**

Inside / outside at Heckfield Place - Robert Louth

**June 16th**

"Living on the Breadline" - the workhouse system - Rosemary Rawcliffe  
Museum: 01256-465902

**Thomycroft Festival of Transport****Sun 8<sup>th</sup> May 11am-5pm**

Free Admission, £2 Car Parking  
War Memorial Park, RG21 4AH  
Enquiries: 01256 844844

**Tea Dance (Free to attend)****May 19th 4pm-6pm**

Carnival Hall, Council Road.  
Raising elderly awareness of Bogus Water Board callers -  
RSVP to Rachel Lawson:  
01634 276393  
rachel.lawson@southeastwater.co.uk

**Shaw Trust Open Day/Plant Sale****May 21st 10am-1pm**

Elizabeth Road Allotments,  
South Ham, RG22 6AX  
Free entry for information,  
plants and photography.

**Upcoming Events****Committee Meetings****Management Committee:**

Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> May/7<sup>th</sup> June, 7.30pm

**Development SubCommittee:**

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July, 7:30pm

[committee@brookvale.org.uk](mailto:committee@brookvale.org.uk)

**3Cs Coffee Morning**

Normally held each First Monthly  
Saturday without a Bank Holiday:  
Sat 7<sup>th</sup> May:

10am - 12 midday

**Pam on (01256) 324313**

**Brookvale Baby & Toddler Group**

Term time, Mondays:

10 – 11.30am

Brookvale Village Hall

£1 per session, per family

**Alison on (01256) 814377**

**National Childbirth Trust**

Each Friday:

10 – MIDDAY.

Brookvale Village Hall

£1 per session, per family

**Stephany Cox 07974 935353**

[coffee-chat@basinstoke.org.uk](mailto:coffee-chat@basinstoke.org.uk)

**The Vale Youth Club**

Term time, Wednesdays:

7pm – 8.30pm

Minimum "Year 7" upwards

Entry £1 on the Door

**All New "Toddler Time"**

Term time Tuesdays:

10.30-12noon

Essex Hall on Essex Road

Free of charge

Contact-Cil: 07731980824

**Brookvale In Bloom****Saturday 23rd July Judging**

**2011 Theme: Wildlife, Water, Platinum & Gold**

Cathy: 01256 462688

**Green Fair****Saturday 17th Sept**

Activities Information Prizes

Malcolm: 01256 364498

**BCA Information**

[info@brookvale.org.uk](mailto:info@brookvale.org.uk)

<http://www.brookvale.org.uk>

**Hall Booking Agent:**

(01256) 462688

**(between 9am and 7pm only)**

[info@brookvale.org.uk](mailto:info@brookvale.org.uk)

**Brookvale Lottery:**

Pam Mansfield,

Lottery Agent

(01256) 324313

[pam.mansfield@brookvale.org.uk](mailto:pam.mansfield@brookvale.org.uk)

**Disability/Mobility issues:**

Chris Hall,

Vulnerable Person's Officer

(01256) 351074

[chris.hall@brookvale.org.uk](mailto:chris.hall@brookvale.org.uk)

**Local Development issues:**

Malcolm MacInnes,

Chair, Development-Sub Committee

(01256) 364498

[malcolm.macinnnes@brookvale.org.uk](mailto:malcolm.macinnnes@brookvale.org.uk)

**Your Ward Councillors are:**

Councillor John Shaw

(01256) 461776

[cllr.john.shaw@basinstoke.gov.uk](mailto:cllr.john.shaw@basinstoke.gov.uk)

Councillor Doris Jones

(01256) 415062

[cllr.doris.jones@basinstoke.gov.uk](mailto:cllr.doris.jones@basinstoke.gov.uk)

**Your County Councillor is:**

County Councillor Ron Hussey

(01256) 415840

[ron.hussey@hants.gov.uk](mailto:ron.hussey@hants.gov.uk)

**Your Town MP is:**

Maria Miller MP

(020) 7219 5749

[millerm@parliament.uk](mailto:millerm@parliament.uk)

**Police—Kings Furling/Brookvale/Grove:**

<http://www.hampshire.police.uk/Internet/localpolicing/northeast/basingstoke/town/Brookvale+and+Kings+Furlong.htm>

<http://www.hampshire.police.uk/Internet/localpolicing/northeast/basingstoke/town/Brookvale+and+Kings+Furlong.htm>

**Your Borough CSPO is:**

Martin Lee (077)

01256 845700

[martin.lee@basinstoke.gov.uk](mailto:martin.lee@basinstoke.gov.uk)

**Your Area PCSO is:**

PCSO Stephanie Bradley

0845 045 45 45

[stephanie.bradley@hampshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:stephanie.bradley@hampshire.pnn.police.uk)

**Your Beat Officer is:**

PC Ian Wonnacott:

0845 045 45 45

[ian.wonnacott@hampshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:ian.wonnacott@hampshire.pnn.police.uk)

Brookvale Community Association

(BCA) registered charity 269386.

169, Lower Brook St., Basingstoke,

Hants., RG21 7RP