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The regular newsletter of



Brookvale
Community Association

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BROOKVALE IN BLOOM!
TUB, HANGING BASKET, FRONT GARDEN,
ENTER TODAY!
AT
INFO@BROOKVALE.ORG.UK

Or ring us 01256 462688
Text 0789 552 669
LAST DATE – 20TH JUNE
Judging 15th & 16th July

PRIZE GIVING
Saturday 27th July 1.30pm
All welcome!



August 2013 Bank Holiday Monday

August 26th 08:30am departs from Brookvale Village Hall

Community Transport Day Trip to Hayling Island Beach

£13 per seat, for non-drivers, mobility impaired and wheelchair users.

Paid up Bookings to Pam: 01256 324313, before 31st May!

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

www.brookvale.org.uk

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Friends Of Loddon Vale Parks



We have been busy through the winter, pruning shrubs and planting the New Brookvale Jubilee Wild Orchard—some 50 pear, crabapple, hazel, blackthorn, damson, elder and dog rose in Victory Park.

We hope that the meadow seeding around will add to our environment too.

Also, the Friends Of Loddon Vale Parks and Brookvale Litterpickers have been busy over the past couple of months, we joined MacDonald's employees on 11th of February for Three Parks Litter Challenge. In the snow, local residents and MacDonald's employees gave their time to clean our local parks and make them more pleasant.

Brookvale Litterpickers meet first Sunday of the month at 8.30am outside Brookvale Village Hall, all kit provided.

Phone: 07780600758

Follow us:

[Facebook - Brookvale - Litterpickers](#)

Community Safety

Silchester Community Speed-Watch recorded 18 vehicles over 30 mph. In Kempshott a VW Caddy van RV09 VLL has been seen suspiciously monitoring properties. Motor vehicle theft is increasing especially from vans in supermarket car parks. Also Rogue Traders and "Skimmers" are still about. Please report all of these to 101.

More detail at:

<http://www.bdnw.org.uk/2012>

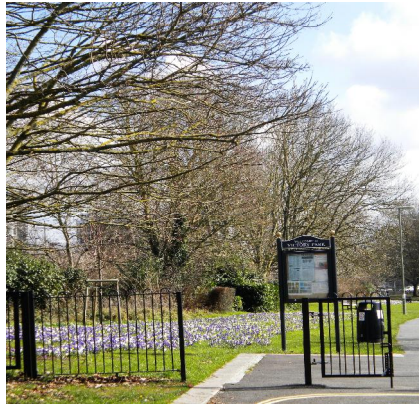
<p>Cocchiarella Professional Tailoring</p>
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<p>7 Deep Lane, Basingstoke Telephone 01256 468727</p>

BCA Matters

Your Brookvale Community Association has made a start on the Hall Makeover project by removing part of the hedge. We will replace this with Rosa Rugosa and Hawthorn once the main building work is complete.

We hope to build a Community Garden too, if we can raise the funds and the Volunteers!

Please let us know if you have drawing, planning, building and gardening skills!



Neighbourhood Watch needs you in Solbys Rd. and George St!

Volunteer to PCSO Stephanie Bradley, see Page 4.

The new B&M Store has applied for an alcohol off-license activity:

Mondays to Sundays 08:00 – 22:00hrs

This will increase anti-social behaviour. Please send objections to Councillor Shaw, see Page 4.

Saunders Field is tendered with the Leisure Park regeneration. Increasing water runoff will benefit the Brookvale Brook bankside but will increase our area flood risk.

Reduce your energy bills

by signing up to:

<http://www3.hants.gov.uk/collective-switching>

Do you need ... ??????????????

- | more time with your family?
- | to supplement your pension?
- | to pay school & university fees?
- | to improve your health?
- | to boost your income?
- | personal development?

Phone 0844 453 1295

to find out how we can help you

Free Planters

Recycled from B&DBC

Wall hanging or floor standing, 23" wide, 11" tall. Heavier duty than this pic, self-watering. Enjoy!



Contact us and New committee members, always welcome!

info@brookvale.org.uk

St Michael's Hospice

House to House Collection Volunteers required June 2013

St. Michael's Hospice is looking for volunteers who would like to help deliver envelopes to houses in their street and then collect them a few days later, as part of their annual House to House fundraising collection. To take part and finding out more, please contact Helena Maskell, Community Fundraising Manager on 01256 848851 or email:

Helenamaskell@stmichaelsospice.org.uk

BioBlitz

At Black Dam and Crabtree 22nd June 10am—4pm

For the public, especially families, to take an interest in their local wildlife along with experts to identify new species!

Find out more at:

<http://www.bnhc.pixillionserver.co.uk/home/bioblitz/run-your-own/>

MARK SMITH
PLUMBING AND HEATING

All aspects of Plumbing & Heating work undertaken.

Greg Smith: 07766 111302
Email: greg.smith76@btinternet.com

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EcoMinds



Horticultural Wellbeing

Come along and join us at our community growing scheme:

- Growing vegetables
- Helping others
- Using & developing skills
- Caring for the environment

Growing links is a community horticulture project in South Ham and Oakridge that supports people who experience depression or anxiety. Our gardening sessions run from Monday to Friday at our Elizabeth road site and Monday to Wednesday at our Oakridge allotment site. Participants can come along for a full day, morning or afternoon session each week and work with an experienced horticulture trainer where they learn how to grow plants, fruit and vegetables, tend to borders and learn about horticulture.

They learn about organic growing principles, wildlife planting and recycling and have the opportunity to prepare and maintain plots. We promote exercise and healthy eating and aim to increase people's self esteem in a supportive and relaxing environment. Become part of this project and volunteer with us! Contact:

Catherine Waters-Clark:

Tel: 01256 361964

Mob: 07894 799530

Email: Catherine.waters-clark@shaw-trust.org.uk

Parability News

Is a monthly E-Newsletter from Parability including many articles of interest to disabled and older people. Each newsletter has many of the latest articles coming into it including any news on state benefits, government policies, medical advances, general help and advice, with the latest news. Sign up for your own copy at: http://www.parability.org/index.php?p=1_10_Sign-Up-For-Our-Newsletter

Development SubCtte

We welcomed B&DBC **Sue Rayden** who attended our recent committee meeting to talk about **Community Plans**. This follows a previous DSC meeting when B&DBC **John Lawson** talked to us about **Village Design Statements**. We look forward to our future DSC meeting when B&DBC **Joanne Brombley** can talk us through **Neighbourhood Plans**.

We are working on our Community Plan which captures what we all want in our area and includes elements from Village Design Statements (to protect our Conservation Area, and get improvement grants) and Neighbourhood Plans (to manage change and plan any new development).

Part of this consultation process with Residents includes obtaining **your views**. This is not something that "someone else does". The plan is something "**we**" do **together**. Without Residents' responses there will be no improvements, risking a run down area that may get bulldozed one day! Tell us about:

- q Safety
- q Street Management
- q Conservation.
- q Local Services.
- q Community Liaison
- q Planning Liaison

Local Outdoor Gym in King George V Sports Field and a Community Orchard beside the Allotments and a Community Garden at our hall all need your support and funds.



BCA Bygones

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



Cleggie My Mate Norm

A Eulogy By Tom Gilvear:

For many years there was an annual excursion to the New Forest Area, where about 8 or 10 families, all from Brookvale, would spend a weekend under Canvas, or in Caravans. All sorts of noisy games were played, normally devised by Norman, including 'Spiking Vikings, or silly games in the Swimming Pool. For some reason we were always placed in an area some way from other holiday makers. However once Ukkers had started it was just a well we weren't too close to anyone else, as it could get very, very noisy. **To be continued...**

Flying Coach to Flying Horse

Until the coming of the railway the Wheatsheaf Inn would have been a site of hectic activity with the arrival of coaches from, and to London. A 'flying coach' was the fastest. The traveller journeying west could take either the Andover and Basingstoke Turnpike or the Stockbridge and Basingstoke Turnpike, off of which ran the Popham Lane & Winchester Turnpike. That the Wheatsheaf Inn of yore is now part of history, having been replaced in the mid 1800s by the present Wheatsheaf. And although the inn continued to mark the division of the roads west from the town, with what would be titled in the 1920s the B3400 and A30, use of the roads, whether by horse drawn or petrol/diesel vehicles, would have lacked the drama of stagecoach days, and so history would seemed to have passed the Wheatsheaf by. Then, in 1942, the arrival of an army officer was to result in the Wheatsheaf playing a part in one of history's most significant events.

To be continued...

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Lottery**3Cs Lottery Winners:****Nov 2012**

£50 324 Queens Road
 £30 487 Highfield Chase
 £20 992 Downsland Parade

Dec 2012

£50 525 Highfield Chase
 £30 823 Solbys Road
 £20 498 Deep Lane

Jan 2013

£50 919 Brookvale Close
 £30 844 Southend Road
 £20 805 Solbys Road

Feb 2013

£50 320 Winterthur Way
 £30 186 George Street
 £20 124 George Street

Mar 2013

£50 207 George Street
 £30 58 Lower Brook Street
 £20 197 George Street

Apr 2013

£50 440 Alexandra Road
 £30 829 Solbys Road
 £20 992 Downsland Road

Costs **£1 per month**, with **10p**
 annual membership fee:
Pam 01256-324313

RadCan**North Hants RadioTherapy****Sun 19th May 10:30am****Memorial Park:****Gentle 5Km walk...**

No entry fee or minimum
 sponsor level & dogs welcome!
 Entry forms at: radcan.org.uk
Contact Jo: 01256 328702

Deep Lane

Do you know what these
 buildings were used for?

**Upcoming Events****Committee Meetings****Management Committee:**Tues 7th May at 7.30pmTues 4th June at 7.30pm**Development SubCommittee:**Tuesday 23rd July at 7:30pminfo@brookvale.org.uk**3Cs Coffee Morning**

Normally held each First Monthly
 Saturday without a Bank Holiday:
 Sat 11th May & Sat 1st Jun:
 10am - 12 midday

Pam on (01256) 324313**Brookvale Baby
& Toddler Group**

Term time, Tuesdays:
 10 – 11.30am
 Brookvale Village Hall
 £1 per session, per family

Meg on 07887 570323**National Childbirth Trust**

Each Friday:
 10 – Midday.
 Brookvale Village Hall
 £1 per session, per family

Helen Vickers 07585 808533info@basingsstokenct.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
 Cil: 07731980824

Family Halloween Party

Come in Costume:
Sat 26th October 2013 7:30pm
 kids dancing and prizes!

Neighbourhood Watch

Queens Road: Phil & Val:
01256 421621

BCA Informationinfo@brookvale.org.uk<http://www.brookvale.org.uk>

[http://www.facebook.com/pages/
 Brookvale-heart-of-
 Basingstoke/135744975619](http://www.facebook.com/pages/Brookvale-heart-of-Basingstoke/135744975619)

Hall Booking Agent:

Bookings are full.

Email for waiting list!

info@brookvale.org.uk**Brookvale Lottery:**

Pam Mansfield,

Lottery Agent

(01256) 324313

pam.mansfield@brookvale.org.uk**Disability/Mobility issues:**

Chris Hall,

Vulnerable Person's Officer

(01256) 351074

chris.hall@brookvale.org.uk**Local Development issues:**

Malcolm MacInnes,

Chair, Development-Sub Committee

(01256) 364498

calmacinnes@ntlworld.com**Your Ward Councillors are:**

Councillor John Shaw

(01256) 461776

cllr.john.shaw@basingsstoke.gov.uk

Councillor Jack Cousens

07912 012746

Cllr.Jack.Cousens@basingsstoke.gov.uk**Your County Councillor is:**

County Councillor Ron Hussey

(01256) 415840

ron.hussey@hants.gov.uk**Your Town MP is:**

Maria Miller MP

(020) 7219 5749

millem@parliament.uk**Police—Kings Furling/Brookvale/Grove:**<http://www.hampshire.police.uk/>[Internet/localpolicing/northeast/
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Brookvale+and+Kings+Furlong.htm](http://www.hampshire.police.uk/Internet/localpolicing/northeast/basingstoke/town/Brookvale+and+Kings+Furlong.htm)[Brookvale+and+Kings+Furlong.htm](http://www.hampshire.police.uk/Internet/localpolicing/northeast/basingstoke/town/Brookvale+and+Kings+Furlong.htm)**Your Borough CSPO is:**

Caroline Fortune

01256 845700

Caroline.Fortune@hants.gov.uk**Your Area PCSO is:**

PCSO Stephanie Bradley

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stephanie.bradley@hampshire.pnn.police.uk**Your Beat Officer is:**

PC Jennifer Mercer:

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jennifer.mercer@hampshire.pnn.police.uk

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