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Victory Roundabout

The response from our Questionnaire was fantastic, 77 replies. If you have not as yet returned your questionnaire, and would like to, it is not too late. So please let us know your views.

45 replies requested an open meeting, we know that the Council are interested in this, and arrangements will be made.

As there are quite a few people who use Victory Roundabout from neighbouring areas, we have put notifications up in the Newsagents in Kings Furlong and Kings Road, South Ham, the Convenience Store in Downsland Parade, Queens Road Post Office and at each subway on Victory Roundabout.

We are still gathering infor-

mation. We had hoped to find out where the lights will actually be positioned, but their exact location is not yet known. However, we do know these that they will be synchronised with the lights on Eastrop Roundabout. We trust that there will be adequate time allowed for the elderly and disabled to cross. Some find it difficult on an ordinary road. Driver's impatience is renowned, as can be witnessed at other sets of lights in the town.

The BCA will be having display boards, models, and people on hand to talk to at our Coffee Mornings on Saturdays 6th and 20th October 2001 between 10am and Midday. We hope that you can spare the time to pop in, and we do look forward to seeing you.

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Thank You Simon

Simon Brunger, the former editor of "Blurb", has moved from the Brookvale area to Brighton.

At the EGM last year he amazed us all with his "mock up" of an infant "Blurb" and his enthusiasm for improving the BCA's communication with the local area residents. His ideas and enthusiasm lifted up and helped committee members believe in the possibilities for the rebirth of the BCA as a continued voice for Brookvale residents. Since then "Blurb" has been a regularly produced news letter, informing residents of local matters and events.

Simon also propelled the BCA on to the internet with its own website, adding another string to the BCA's communication bow.

We thank him for all his expertise, hard work and enthusiasm and wish him well in his new work.

And Welcome Tom

We are very fortunate that Tom Chapman has taken over the editorship of the "Blurb". He is very keen to continue the good work of helping keep Brookvale residents up to date with area news, views and events. So please do contact him with your ideas.

Pam Banks—Chairperson

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3C'S COFFEE MORNING

Every alternate
Saturday 10am till Noon
Village Hall Call in for
coffee, cake and chat

Next dates: Sat 8th
September and Sat
22nd September

*For further details :
contact Maggie Dee
414708*

Brookvale Hall on T.V.

report from Julie Morris



On Wednesday, 15th August, Meridian T.V hired the Village Hall for it's afternoon programme "3 Minutes".

It featured local Punch and Judy man, Professor Norman Morris and his Pride of Wessex Punch and Judy show.

Norman was very grateful for the use of the hall and the local children and parents who came to watch and support.

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Children's Sports Afternoon

report from Diane Anderson

Despite the grey skies, some stoic folk made their way down to the King George's Playing Field. Bunting decorated the trees, squash was ready for competitors, races listed, the gazebo put up to shelter spectators from the sun and then the heavens opened.

We were not down hearted and managed two races, before rain stopped play. We sheltered talked and laughed for a while but the rain did not abate and it was decided to call it a day.

Our thanks to James Cowley and Debbie Morris for first aid officials and to those brave adults and children who came along to support and help at the event. Just think it wouldn't have been so much fun sitting in a traffic jam in the rain!

Brookvale Village Hall

To book the newly refurbished Village Hall at incredibly reasonable rates, call Lin Chandler on 329475.

King George V Play Area Update

report from Nicki Freath

BCA Committee members and local residents met with Stephen Bryer, Community Services BDBC, again on August 9th.

A rough plan of the proposed play area was discussed. There will be 2 distinct areas, one for 0- 4 years and the other for 5-10 years. The developers of the Millennium Court have provided the council with £32,000 for local facilities, which is available to provide some redevelopment of the play area.

Mr Bryer is considering our ideas on equipments and railings etc. He will redraft the plan to show what could be provided with the funds available.

A further review meeting will take place at the end of September. We will keep you informed of progress.

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Lottery Winners

Date	Lottery No.	Winner	Address
3/3/2001	2	Agnes Weatherby	219 Lower Brook St
10/3/2001	120	Dolly French	40 Lower Brook St
17/3/2001	485	Mrs. Mills	24 Highfield Chase
24/3/2001	486	George Johns	17 Highfield Chase
31/3/2001	200	Miss Jones	44 George St
7/4/2001	591	Mrs. E. Alexander	26 George St
14/4/2001	140	Mrs. Heddersley	9 George St
21/4/2001	139	Janice Ince	100 George St
28/4/2001	360	Betty McHale	43 Alexandra Rd
5/5/2001	21	Miriam Wild	20 Lower Brook St
12/5/2001	746	Mr&Mrs. Truman	16 Rochford Rd
19/5/2001	866	Stan Gullis	4 Southend Rd
26/5/2001	752	Claire/Gavin Jones	7 Rochford Rd
2/6/2001	11	Howard Bartle	153 Lower Brook St
9/6/2001	496	Mrs. Poulter	21 Deep Lane
16/6/2001	746	Mr&Mrs. Truman	16 Rochford Rd
23/6/2001	501	Ann McSteen	14 Highfield Chase
30/6/2001	497	Mr. Pillinger	23 Deep Lane
7/7/2001	725	Mr. J Seenanan	17 Rochford Rd
14/7/2001	826	Ella Wright	17 Solbys Rd
21/7/2001	999	Nicky Freeth	34 Worting Rd
28/7/2001	630	Mrs. Gilvear	3A Rayleigh Rd

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Car Boot and 3c's Morning

report from Pam Banks

Even though the weather proved inclement, bargains were to be found at the BCA Car Boot Sale on Saturday July 14th. Potential customers perused the goods available and found many amazing items for which they had been looking for ages. A Cup of coffee, cake and chat rounded off the

Ladies Club

report from Rosie Banks

On 10th July our group were introduced to Virgin Vie Products by Maria Sewell. Maria told us about the products and those suitable for the various skin types. We were invited to try and we all had great fun experimenting with the different creams. After tea and coffee we were able to place an order if we so wished. Thank you Maria for an interesting and fun evening. Our next evening will be on 11th

Race Night Friday July 20th

report from Lin chandler

The Bunting was up, the going fair; the horses were wearing their best racing colours, thanks to Norman Morris. Tom Gilvear undertook the dubious task of testing for illegal substances. (20% proof we think!) The jockeys seemed to be lying down on the job.

Yes, it was Race Night. Bets were placed on races such as the highfield Chase, the Sir Sidney Solbys Stakes and we all wanted to be a member of the owners syndicate to win the King George V Gold Cup. Some owners even used carrots to try to make their horse go faster if they thought

Give us the blurb! your comments and views

Hedge and Brambles

Can you tell me whom to contact about the overgrown hedge and brambles in Deep Lane? They are hindering the pavement and are a nuisance.

Name and Address Supplied

We believe that the hedge forms the boundary of Safeway's land and have asked Councillor Lynden Jones to pursue this matter.

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- Have your say! Please send any letters to the editor (details

Change in Planning Application

47 Queens Road - The application to change the building into three dwellings has been withdrawn.

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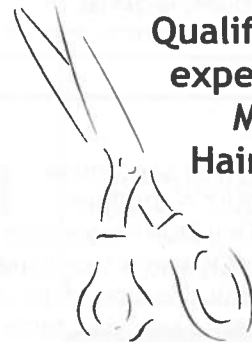


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 Samaritans (5 Essex Road, Basingstoke) 01256 462333
 Basingstoke Police Station 01256 473111
 Basingstoke Library 01256 462901
 Queens Road Post Office 01256 322668
 Lost or wayward supermarket trolleys 0500 122221

Emergency Hotlines

Electricity Emergencies (Southern Electric) 0345 708090
 Gas Emergencies 0800 111999

Basingstoke & Deane Borough Council

Main Switchboard 01256 844844
 Community Services (to report graffiti/rubbish) 01256 845474
 Conservation Areas 01256 845235
 Town Centre Redevelopment 01256 845583

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dates for your diary

• Friday 7th September
WINE QUIZ – 8:00pm

A "Call my Bluff" style quiz brought to us by WINE RACK who is supplying the wine and repartee. This promises to be a fun evening, so get ready to test your taste buds. Tickets £6.00 each. Bring your own nibbles. For further details contact Lin (329475) or John & Pam (352078)

• Tuesday 11th September
LADIES NIGHT – 8:00pm

• Friday 21st September
QUIZ NIGHT – 7:30pm start

Teams of six players please or come along and make up a team and make new friends. Tickets £5 including fish/chicken and chip supper or £2.50 without supper. Bring your own drinks. For further details contact Lin or John & Pam

• Saturday 22nd September
BLUES/ROCK GIG – 8:00pm

Music provided by a five piece, local band that have performed at the Moose Hall. Please bring your own drinks, glasses and nibbles. Entrance £2.00, payable at the door.

• Tuesday 9th October
LADIES NIGHT – 8:00pm

• Saturday 13th October
60's / 70's DICSO – 7:30pm
 Details to follow

• Friday 19th October
FASHION SHOW and CLOTHES SALE
 See clothes modelled, then maybe try on and buy! Details to follow.

• Friday 26th October
SKITTLES EVENING
 To be arranged. Details to follow

All events held at the Village Hall, Lower Brook Street, unless otherwise stated