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The regular newsletter of



**Brookvale**  
Community Association

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## Brookvale In Bloom

### Sat 7th March 9:30 am

### Free Entry!

Brookvale Village Hall, Lower Brook Street, Basingstoke, RG21 7RP

- \* Free seeds for children \* Basket & tub demos \* Gardener's Question Time
- \* Plant Donations and Sales \* Refreshments
- \* To be opened by Deputy Mayor Cllr Brian Gurden

**Ted & Pam on a 1 week trip to Turkey led by Gokmen Ozkan of the Friendship Dialogue Group:**

Our first fantastic lunch on the Istanbul Golden Horn Hotel terrace overlooked the Bosphorus with St. Sophia, the Sultan's Palace and the Blue Mosque in front. Our first evening taste of Turkish tea in tulip shaped glasses, sipped carefully during the private boat trip around this great city, bobbing across the intercontinental Bosphorous shipping wakes.

We visited Kimse Yok Mu (=Is there anyone there), one of the great Turkish charities distributing \$30 billion world wide, yes that much! We saw a TV studio, a national newspaper HQ & two high grade schools.

Two families provided dinner and conversation with exchanges of political, social and cultural views. An internal flight took us to Konya where we learned about the Islamic faith and the fascinating sect of the Whirling Dervishes. Then onto Goreme in Cappadocia with the breathtaking homes, churches and businesses built into and under the soft volcanic rock!

Returning to Istanbul via Kasser (Caesarea) for our final visits to the military museum (including a great tableau of the fall of Constantinople 1462), the Palace area, St Sophia, the Blue Mosque, Justinian's 3<sup>rd</sup> C Great Cistern, a visit to the grand bazaar with 4,000 shops in 58 covered streets, ending a wonderful trip with a footie semi-final Turkey win street restaurant dinner!

*The Friendship Dialogue Society would welcome a visit from you on Saturdays at our Village Hall, please call Gokmen on 07792 163311!*



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

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

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**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**

Chat with Pam & residents during the Lottery Draw.

Meet County Councillor Jo Kelly: 10–11am Surgery.

See Chris in confidence at his Disability Surgery:

**From Your Vulnerable Persons' Officer**

Please report subway issues to me. Timberlake & Victory roundabouts were flooded recently with a blocked drain & too much snow melt.

Southern Electric will register you as a disabled, elder, or with under 5s on a Priority List for hourly updates about electric supply issues and outages: 0845 7444 555

**EMERGENCY?**

- **Electric**  
**0845 770 8090**
- **Water**  
**0845 602 1724**
- **Gas**  
**0800 111 999**

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

*Pefology*

**Dog Training Classes**

- Adults and puppies catered for
- Fully qualified, insured instructor
- Small classes - lots of individual attention
- Evening classes at Brookvale Village Hall
- 1-to-1 appointments also available

Michelle Taylor VN DipCABT  
Call (01256) 476024 for more details

**Mrs Phyllis Reed**

Valerie Reed Hall's mother Mrs Reed passed away Tuesday 13th January 2009.. Phyllis once lived in Rayleigh Road for over 40 years. With her husband Henry, they helped found and fund the Brookvale Association. Phyllis ran play groups and other activities and expressed her wish to return to Basingstoke for her final resting place.

Her funeral was held at the Basingstoke Crematorium on Saturday 24th January at 10:15am and family members stayed overnight at the Travelodge.

**Meet the Police**

Sun 19th Apr 14:30 Mortimer La  
Fri 13th Mar 19:00 Trinity Church

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**Hair and Beauty**

5-star rated salon  
Open weekends (including Sundays) and until late during the week

47a Queens Road (01256) 812635  
[www.marcopolo-hair.co.uk](http://www.marcopolo-hair.co.uk)

**Victory Hill**

The Eli Lilley Victoria Site developer considered a bridge over the railway to join with Winterthur Way, Network Rail won't provide. The new kickabout area in the DWH Old Allotment has yet to be adopted and consulted. Please contact your Cllr, our DSC, and your Estate Office:  
**Jeff: (01256) 308349**

**Development Subcommittee**

**Issues:**  
Content Mgt Web Volunteer  
6 priorities for Brookvale Liaison with Borough:  
\* Single Contact Point  
\* Developer Monies  
\* Access Issues List  
\* Old Allotments-Winterthur Way-Lilley's new footpath.

**SHLAA** consultation identified 38 more sites!

**BDB/70109:**  
CWW Increase in height.  
Objections to Lisa Souden.

**BDB/69366:**  
WWWebber: New Road.  
134 Dwellings for Elderly.  
Refused.

**BCOT:**  
[www.bcot.ac.uk/vision/](http://www.bcot.ac.uk/vision/)  
Please continue to monitor Town Centre accesses.

**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

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## Blackwells Update

Blackwell offers a service that focuses on our customers wants and needs. **Our Worting Road Bookshop welcomes orders for books which are no longer available in the high street.** We have a wide range of books, both new and old, across many shops around the country with contacts in the publishing world willing to help find that elusive book!

Currently we are offering BOGOF on all Oxford World Classics to enhance your literature collection with *Pride & Prejudice*, *Little Dorritt* and *War and Peace*.

8:30am - 6pm, Mon - Fri

Call Kevin (01256 630753)

## Next Issue

- \* The Green Fair report.
- \* Conservation & Survey.
- \* Flood Premiums
- \* Priorities for Brookvale

**CAROUSEL**  
79  
Lower Church Street  
BASINGSTOKE  
Open 10.00 - 5.00  
TUESDAY - SATURDAY



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ACCESSORIES**

**FANCY DRESS HIRE**  
Tel: 01256 466113

## BCA Bygones

### Old Brookvale

Brookvale until the 1880's was fields and farmland, with the River Loddon running through.

Deep Lane was probably a deep cutting linking Upper Way (Worting Rd) with Lower Way (West Ham Lane). With the coming of the railway, more housing was required, and the area between Deep Lane and the west of the town centre became known as Newtown.

The 1896 map shows May St, originally Longcroft Road until 1897, with 200 homes; Lower Brook Street, from the rear of Southend Road towards the town centre. There were allotments to the north and west of May Street.

Also Essex, Southend, Rayleigh, Solbys, and the first 4 houses of Rochford Road shown. These were built by Mr Tyrell who had lived in Essex Road. Solbys Road was named after the house he owned in Essex Road.

By 1910 we see the completion of Rayleigh Road, and the development of west Lower Brook Street, Queens & Alexandra Roads. The north and part of the south side of George Street. These being named by the developer in commemoration of Queen Victoria's diamond jubilee.

The opening of Brook Street School on Lower Brook Street in 1901, (later known in as Brookvale School), must have been a boon to the children of the area who had been attending St Johns School, where it was not unusual to have classes of 50 children. This school was demolished in the 1960's.

The allotments to the west of May Street were used to develop the west end of Lower Brook Street and the school. On the south side of Lower Brook Street two allotment sites were then allocated. Highfield House was still in existence, with orchards to the rear of George Street and Alexandra Road, and the farm at the bottom of Solbys Road, still with some land to the rear of Southend Road.

## BCA Volunteers

Volunteers make a vital contribution to Community Life helping with almost any task from tea and cake making, assisting an elderly neighbour with the shopping, providing annual accounts or administration.

By Volunteering you develop new skills, gain experience and training.

Volunteering can help you to give something back to your community, make new friends and enjoy yourself!

Your help, skill, company, patience, friendliness and time can make all the difference.

Your BCA Committee need:

- Secretary:Correspondence
- Treasurer: Annual Returns
- Bookings Agent: Hall Enq
- Lottery Collector: Doorstep
- WebMaster: Updates
- Caretaker: Check on Lets
- HandyPerson: Repairs
- Tea & Cake Maker: Events
- Event Hosts: Run Events
- Stewards: Event Control
- Health & Safety Assistants

**Rebecca 01256 423800**



George Street Boys—You here?

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**Lottery Winners****3Cs Lottery Winners:****December 2008**

1st £50 Lottery number 897  
2nd £30 Lottery number 180  
3rd £20 Lottery number 18

**January 2009**

1st £50 Lottery number 799  
2nd £30 Lottery number 342  
3rd £20 Lottery number 186

**February 2009**

1st £50 Lottery number 121  
2nd £30 Lottery number 199  
3rd £20 Lottery number 15

These three prizes are drawn at each monthly 3Cs Coffee Morning between 10am and midday.

Our next 3Cs Coffee Morning will be on Saturday 7th March 2009.

Contact Pam see **BCA Info**

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- \* Mayor

**Tel: Cathy 01256-462688**

**Sunday 21st June 2009 2pm**

Join us for Proteus Theatre performance of the Lost Toy. For 3 to 7 year olds. Bring your favourite toy and help Leopold the Leopard find his way home!  
<http://www.proteustheatre.com/thelosttoy.htm>

**Women's Art Show 2009****Fairfields Arts Centre**

Mon 23rd Feb-Sat 14th Mar  
Celebrating International Women's Day 8th Mar  
Mo-Th 9:30am-8pm + Sat Morn

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

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March, 7.30pm

**Development SubCommittee:**

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March, 7:30pm

**Committee@brookvale.org.uk**

**3Cs Coffee Morning**

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

**Libby Ruth on (0870) 4214830**

**The Vale Youth Club**

Term time, Wednesdays:  
7pm – 8.30pm  
Minimum "Year 7" upwards  
Entry £1 on the Door.

**Andy or Sarah on 07890 708696**

**Weds 11th March 10am-1:30pm****'Celebrating Women as Women'**

BVS is hosting at BCA BVH:  
International Women's Day

**Cheryl on 01256 423800**

**Sat 7th March 10am-6pm RISC**

**Women's Economics Conference**  
Empowerment & the Credit Crunch:  
[greeneconomicsinstitute@yahoo.com](mailto:greeneconomicsinstitute@yahoo.com)

**BCA Information**

**info@brookvale.org.uk**  
**http://www.brookvale.org.uk**

**Hall Booking Agent:**

(01256) 462688  
(between 9am and 9pm only)  
**info@brookvale.org.uk**

**Brookvale Lottery:**

Pam Mansfield,  
*Lottery Agent*  
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**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  
**malcolm.macinnnes@brookvale.org.uk**

**Your Ward Councillors are:**

Cllr John Shaw  
(01256) 461776  
**cllr.john.shaw@basingstoke.gov.uk**  
Cllr Doris Jones  
(01256) 415062  
**cllr.doris.jones@basingstoke.gov.uk**

**Your County Councillor is:**

County Cllr Jo Kelly  
(01256) 328702  
**jo.kelly@hants.gov.uk**

**Your Town MP is:**

Maria Miller MP  
(020) 7219 5749  
**millerm@parliament.uk**

**Your Area PCSO is:**

Wendy Eaglestone PCSO 13363:  
Kings Furlong/Brookvale/Grove  
0845 045 45 45  
**wendy.eaglestone@hampshire.pnn.police.uk**

**Your Beat Officer is:**

PC Ian Wonnacott:  
Kings Furlong/Brookvale/Grove  
0845 045 45 45  
**ian.wonnacott@hampshire.pnn.police.uk**

**Your County ACSOs are:**

Paul Bowman & Sarah Ford  
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