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The regular newsletter of



Brookvale  
Community Association

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## Green Fair Sep 17th

Saturday Midday to 4pm Free Entry!

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

### Our lifestyle > Three Planets!



Prize!  
Best  
Mini  
Sand  
Tray  
Garden



Prize!  
Best  
Recycled  
Music  
Maker



**Free Admission** for fun, info, saving money, & future proofing our planet!

**With** Town Crier, Dancers, Scarecrows, Music, Cafe, Activities, Prizes & Information  
**Expected** Drum Runners, Spotlight Dance, Shinfield Shambles, Overton Scarecrows, Wikariko Body Care, Northdown Orchard, Marie Curie Cancer Care Plant Stall, Land Trust Seeds, Master Composter, Carousel Candys, Boost Survey, Battery Vehicle Society, Green Living Energy, E-Coup, Greenhouse Graphics, Greening Campaign, Transition Network, Carbon Conversations, RSPB, Healthy Planet Books 4 Free, Octopus Centre, Girl Guides, Girls' Brigade, Basingstoke Conservation Volunteers, Professor Fiddlesticks, BAAG, BCOT Student Open Building, HCC Loddon Route!

**Consultations, Workshops & Films:**

Martin Heath —BTN Low Carbon Future? Rebecca Hosking—Fam For A Future



2010 Stallholders

Georgina  
Pedalling the  
Southampton  
Environment  
Centre Cycle  
Game Station



Miller's Ark ECO aspects  
of animal husbandry



A BAAG Concept Community Event, hosted by BCA proceeds to Charity, supported by Basingstoke & Deane Borough Council + Freedom Heat Pumps

**BCA AGM Tues 20th Sept 7:30pm, Brookvale Village Hall, See Page 2**

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**

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**

The Dept for Communities & Local Government has confirmed £1.5M funding until 2013 for FirstStop, a free independent information and advice service for older people, their families and carers, aiming to help older people make informed decisions about their housing options and support, to help them maintain later life independent living:

0800 377 7070:  
[www.firststopcareadvice.org.uk](http://www.firststopcareadvice.org.uk)

The Equality & Human Rights Commission have published **Human Rights at Home: Guidance for social housing providers** gives practical advice on how the Human Rights Act relates to housing, the terms of tenancy agreements, repairs and maintenance, and anti-social behaviour.

<http://tinyurl.com/3evjoah>

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

**BCA Matters**

**Volunteers for:**

- \* Village Plan (Malcolm)
- \* Hall Booking Agent (Rebecca)
- \* Greening (Martin)
- \* Lottery Collectors (Pam)

**Welcome to Jessica Jane** and congratulations to Rebecca and Mart.

**STOP PRESS** As compensation for the new housing developments the builders have to pay some **money for community use** under Section 106. Brookvale have been award an amount to spend on the Hall, and we will have an Open Day this year where residents can design the improvements to be passed to our architects. Ideas so far include ~ Make the Hall carbon-neutral~ improve storage and facilities ~ set up a fenced Community Garden. Please send your ideas now to [info@brookvale.org.uk](mailto:info@brookvale.org.uk). Or bring your ideas to and discuss at our Green Fair. Let's make this our Hall for the Future!

We would like to remind people about the **BCA AGM on 20<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30.**

Sophie McLean will introduce a 20 minute film called **"Basingstoke 2010"**, made by The Edge, a Hampshire project to involve **young people in our museums & galleries.** The film compares how the town looked before the 1960s expansion with the fashions and facilities of today.

We are keen to have **new committee members**, so do please join us if you can spare any time for our general admin or special projects.

**Non-voting family and friends are very welcome** to come along for a chat and to see our film!

**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 our how we can help you

**BCA Bygones**

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



**Cleggie My Mate Norm.**

**A Eulogy By Tom Gilvear:**

Normans theatrical skills moved toward Punch & Judy, and after a trial run, at a New Years Eve Party, in Brookvale Village Hall in 1978, before long their home full was full of carvings, pieces of brightly coloured materials, strings of sausages, frying pans, and to horror of all young visitors, a Crocodile, Ghost, and Hangman, and of course a 3<sup>rd</sup> Baby in the family, however this one was often badly treated, occasionally ending up in a sausage machine, or eaten by the crocodile. Julie had an especially tough time with Norman, as there were always two women in his life, and often it seemed he would spend more time with Judy than he did with Julie!



<p>marco                  polo  <b>Hair and Beauty</b></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>	

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## Greening News

Want to help Brookvale become even greener? This autumn we plan a launch event for Greening Brookvale. This important campaign will help you save money, meet your neighbours, keep the lights on and create future green jobs. We just need more volunteers for 2 hours a month.

Contact **Martin** or **Malcolm**.

Meanwhile Electric and Gas tariffs rise again. So the Government **Feed In Tariff** and **Renewable Heat Incentives** offering **cash back** are becoming even more attractive to cash strapped householders and become even more relevant each time energy prices rise.

Petrol retailers were also reported to be not passing on the savings in the oil price to vehicle users!

Learn more about reducing your energy bills in our Green Fair workshops, see electric vehicles, discuss with our Deputy Mayor & Town MP at our Green Fair:

**Saturday September 17th.**

The Sentinel St Mary's Park affordable housing development in Hart is to include roof mounted solar panels or a winter warming/summer cooling system.

The Hartley Wintney Solar Action Group have a deal with Paarl Energy Ltd who will give a 10% discount to residents and install one solar panel on Oakwood Infant School per 25 orders placed. By 30th September, Natural England's public consultation seeks views on how to help people to comply with laws protecting wildlife & natural environment:

<http://www.naturalengland.org.uk/ourwork/position/consultations/enforcement.aspx>

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



## Brookvale In Bloom

We were very pleased to welcome new entrants for 2011, and there was a good turnout for the coffee-and-chat prize-giving on 23<sup>rd</sup> July.

### STANDARD FRONT GARDEN

- |               |              |
|---------------|--------------|
| 1 Gold        | John Banks   |
| 2 Silver-gilt | George Johns |
| 3 Silver      | Mrs T D'Orsi |
| 4 Bronze      | J Herbert    |

### Highly commended

Mr & Mrs Taylor, Mrs Raffell, Mrs M Martino, Mr & Mrs Clarke, Mr I Henshaw

### CONTAINER

- |               |                 |
|---------------|-----------------|
| 1 Gold        | Mr & Mrs Taylor |
| 2 Silver-gilt | Nora Wright     |
| 3 Silver      | Mrs White       |
| 4 Bronze      | Mrs A Johns     |

### Highly commended

Mrs T D'Orsi, Mrs Nora Shepherd, Mrs P Banks, Victoria Handley, Mrs M Hitchcock, Chris Charvill, Mr I Henshaw, Mrs M Martino

### SMALL FRONT GARDEN

- |               |                   |
|---------------|-------------------|
| 1 Gold        | Nora Wright       |
| 2 Silver-gilt | Mrs Nora Shepherd |
| 3 Silver      | Mrs M Hitchcock   |
| 4 Bronze      | Anna Mannerstrale |

### Highly commended

Georgina Bignall, Chris Charvill, Mrs Shirley Payne

### TRAY GARDEN

- |               |                 |
|---------------|-----------------|
| 1 Gold        | Eric Baker      |
| 2 Silver-gilt | Katy Hewitt     |
| 3 Silver      | Keiann Williams |

Prizes presented by Deputy Mayor, Councillor Martin Biermann. We thank the volunteer judges for giving their time so generously, and we thank all our entrants.

**Bigger and better in 2012???**



## Development SubCtte

We are looking forward to **Principal Urban Design Officer John Dawson** joining us at our 15th Nov DSC meeting to give a talk on an Urban Design Statement for Brookvale which is hoped to afford us additional protection from haphazard development.

There is a plain English guide to the Localism Bill at:

<http://tinyurl.com/6jramdt>

CPRE advises the preference to develop brown field sites before greenfield sites is missing from Govt Draft National Policy Framework, & provides unrestricted development charter on all land outside national parks.

CPRE asks us to write to our MP & sign this online petition by 17th Oct: <http://bit.ly/p1FbsC> or <http://bit.ly/p9QRp1>

Contact Cathy regarding any street-lighting issues. We believe the contractors have been instructed to complete their work with the correct style of lights.

Illuminated signs are proposed by BCOT under ref: BDB/74792.

## Local News

### Parks Vandalism and Litter

Unpaid volunteers carryout planting and litter-picking for our community in Victory and King George V parks. Increased patrols have been requested to catch people removing plants and discarding tins. Our volunteers want to provide everyone with safe clean attractive and bio-diverse areas for community enjoyment. Contact us to volunteer and 101 to report miscreants.

### Changes to Waste Collection

No Green Bin containing plastic bags and from 1st October nothing left beside a bin (black sacks).

### The Loddon Route Project

Remember this? It is moving ahead, and improvements are planned along Lower Brook Street and into Victory Park. Hampshire County Council will hold an exhibition in the Hall for residents to comment on the plans. Look out for posters!

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## Brookvale In Bloom

### Event Pictures

By kind permission of:  
Colin Puddephatt &  
Malcolm MacInnes:



### Community Safety Patrol Team Surgery

**Thur Sept 29th 6-7pm**  
See Martin Lee in Morrison's Cafe

### Friends of Willis Museum

**Thur Sept 15th 7:30pm**  
English Cartography 16-20thC  
By Douglas Bancroft  
**Thur Oct 20th 7:30pm**  
"Show and Tell"  
By Derek Anthony  
Know your 10 minute spot  
**Phone:** Museum: 01256-465902

### Hayling Island Seaside Day Trip

**Sat 10th Sept—from the Hall**  
**Depart 9:30am Return 7pm**  
£10 each per 39 passengers  
Contact: Pam: 01256 324313

### Green Fair

**Saturday 17th Sept**  
Activities Information Prizes  
Malcolm: 01256 364498

## Upcoming Events

### Committee Meetings

**Management Committee:**  
Tues 6<sup>th</sup> Sep/14<sup>th</sup> October, 7.30pm  
**Development SubCommittee:**  
Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November, 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 3rd Sept and Sat 1st Oct:  
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@basingstoke.org.uk](mailto:coffee-chat@basingstoke.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

### AGM

**Tuesday 20th Sept 7:30pm**  
See young person's film project:  
**The Edge: "Basingstoke 2010"**  
Cathy: 01256 462688

### Shaw Trust Open Day/Plant Sale

**Sat 17th Sept 10-1pm**  
Elizabeth Road Allotments  
Contact: **01256 361964**

## BCA Information

[info@brookvale.org.uk](mailto:info@brookvale.org.uk)  
<http://www.brookvale.org.uk>  
<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Brookvale-heart-of-Basingstoke/135744975619>

### Hall Booking Agent:

Bookings are full.  
Email for waiting list!  
[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.macinnes@brookvale.org.uk](mailto:malcolm.macinnes@brookvale.org.uk)

### Your Ward Councillors are:

Councillor John Shaw  
(01256) 461776  
[clr.john.shaw@basingstoke.gov.uk](mailto:clr.john.shaw@basingstoke.gov.uk)  
Councillor Doris Jones  
(01256) 415062  
[clr.doris.jones@basingstoke.gov.uk](mailto:clr.doris.jones@basingstoke.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 Furlong/Brookvale/Grove:

<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@basingstoke.gov.uk](mailto:martin.lee@basingstoke.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 TBA:  
0845 045 45 45  
[@hampshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:@hampshire.pnn.police.uk)

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