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The regular newsletter of



Brookvale
Community Association

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Brookvale Community Association AGM!

7:00pm Thursday 4th September 2014

Brookvale Village Hall Lower Brook Street

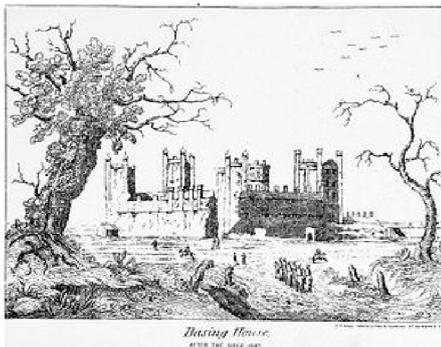
Your Community-Have Your Say-Make a Difference!

For 38 years now your Brookvale Community Association represent and support your interests, provide low cost events for you, and maintain your hall for meeting space and groups to hire.

None of this is possible without you Volunteering to shape your future with your ideas and plans!



Our improved hall means more activities, groups & committee members.



Basing House
FROM THE 1850s-1860s

At our Annual Meeting, we review progress, look forward to new events, invite you to meet us and enjoy Alan Turton's lively presentation about people's lives at Basing House, which were very different from your life now. But how long do you believe you can live as you do now?



Lottery= Coffee= Morning= Panto= Coach Trip= Brookvale In Bloom= Brookvale Festival= Halloween Disco= Toddler Group= Youth Group= Community Garden= Green Weekend= Development Subcommittee= Parking Consultation= Community Plan

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



The Friends have worked on the willow wigwam and tunnel after a mild wet winter when the willow grew well. This was tidied up and is recovering well from the vandalism caused last year. Extra pruning of shrub dead branches will be carried out with unwanted tree saplings removed over the coming months.



Readers are most welcome to help out and bring garden gloves and loppers:

info@brookvale.co.uk

Sinclair Drive Pocket Park landscaping & paths completed, now awaiting a seat. Our community planting day is suggested on 20th October for shrubs and wild flowers, to make an attractive and interesting area for nearby residents.



info@brookvale.co.uk

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

BCA Matters

Our completed hall is now at the "snagging" stage, awaiting Volunteers for the community garden and upstairs decoration.

Sinclair Drive noticeboard has been updated.

Jan 07747335200

janet.westbrook@sky.com



**THE BCA NEEDS YOU!
HALL MANAGEMENT VOLUNTEER**

Are you organised, forward thinking and an excellent communicator? Like to get involved within your local community?

Our volunteer will need:

Skills-

Comfortable using email, most communication by email
Comfortable with using the internet
Available mainly at weekends
Word & XL would be useful

Hall Management –

Taking utility readings & entering in the websites
Reporting maintenance needs to the Committee
Monitoring Hall use & cleaning.

info@brookvale.org.uk

Thank-you to our County Councillor Criss Connor for a grant towards hall furniture and fittings.

Finally, our thanks to a kind resident who donated for the surplus glass!

Development SubCtte

Saunders Field, KGV and Victory Park now reported to be "protected" within the B&DBC Green & Open Spaces plan.

Volunteer & consultation needed for Our Brookvale Community Plan.

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

Greening

Green Deal Revisited

The Government admitted that the first round of the Green Deal was too complex and caused low take-up.

The Government learned from this and now allocated £120M for those who "first come first served".

This grant money is for qualifying households, private or social landlords who can get up-to £7600 under the Green Deal Home Improvement Scheme.

This scheme allows money back for Green Deal Assessment and the installation of energy efficiency measures like solid wall insulation and replacing/new natural gas heating systems.

New owners can get an extra £500 for carrying out energy efficiency measures

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-energy-climate-change>

Green Week 20th to 27th Sept

Look out for events during the 2014 Green Week, both at your hall and at Castle Square.

On Saturday 20th there will be a free family fun-day with music, food, swap-shop and film shows.

On Sunday 21st there will be a free children's junk percussion workshops and up-cycling workshops creating something new from old materials!

Call Malcolm: 01256 364498

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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Brookvale In Bloom

Garden Competition

We were very pleased to welcome new entrants for 2014, and there was a good turnout for the Tea Party prize-giving on 26th July with The Mayor Councillor Roger Gardiner.

We also were very pleased to welcome Maria Miller MP to present a prize.

It was a very difficult year for gardeners – first too cold and wet, then too hot and dry!

SMALL FRONT GARDEN

- 1 Gold Libby Evans
- 2 Silver-gilt Helen Lee*
- 3 Silver Mrs Nora Wright
- 4 Bronze Esme Gainford*

Highly commended

Mary Lawn*, Mrs Shirley Payne
Mr Murphy, Anna Mannerstrale,
Margaret Duggan Mrs Nora Shepherd,
Mrs White,

SINGLE CONTAINER

- 1 Gold: Mrs Helen Lee.
- 2 Silver-gilt: Mrs T D'Orsi
- 3 Silver: Mr Poulter
- 4 Bronze: Mr Murphy, Nora Wright

Highly commended

Pat and Pat Bartlett*
Mrs Nora Shepherd
Mrs White, Esme Gainford

STANDARD FRONT GARDEN

- 1 Gold: Mr Poulter*
- 2 Silver-gilt: Mrs T D'Orsi
- 3 Silver: Mrs Raffell
- 4 Bronze: George Johns

Highly commended

The Bishop Family, Pat and Pat Bartlett
Mrs M Martino,

We are very pleased that the gardeners marked* were also winners in the

Basingstoke Borough competition!

Vulnerable Persons

What is 111?

Free from landlines and mobiles for urgent medical help and advice on non life threatening issues.

A fast and easy way to be assessed, advised and directed towards the appropriate services by trained advisors supported by experienced NHS Nurses and Paramedics.

Personal Independence Payment has the first independent review ending 5th September (required by the Welfare Reform Act 2012):

<http://tinyurl.com/qdlqww6>

Big Energy Saving Network awards £5K grants to 160 trained volunteer Champions in Community Groups and NFP Organisations to outreach to vulnerable consumers to help them reduce energy costs through assisted action on tariffs, switching and energy efficiency take-up:

<http://tinyurl.com/l4vwkft>

Community Independence Team (North) supports over 55s to maintain their independence and to cope around the home with everyday activities.

For non-urgent help needs:

01256 362057

CIT.North@hants.gov.uk

HCC Allstars Badminton at Everest Community Academy: Inclusive for all ages, families, origins and abilities. A ball skills "pathway" to community club sport: Linda Rapacioli

Allstars.lr88@googlemail.com

Parability is a user led organisation hosting a social and activity group set up by Chris Hall a person with a disability himself and a person with a vision that if we accept that disabled people just do things differently, there is no need for a disability label:

parability@drumrunners.org

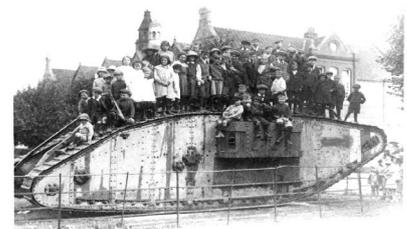
enablement@parability.org

Phone: 07982 925709

BCA Bygones

World War 1 Centenary

On 30th August 1919 Sir Auckland Geddes G.C.M.G., K.C.B., P.C.. Basingstoke Unionist M.P., (1st Lord of the Admiralty), presented a Diadem II Mark IV 30 ton Tank as a trophy of the 1st War and as a mark of recognition of the town's contributions to the War Savings Committee Certificates and the Victory Loan. His speech highlighted Miss Brind and the Fairfields Council Schools Girls' Department for their investment in War Savings Certificates.



The tank drove from the railway via Chapel Street and halted at the Brewery to marshal the procession:

A constable on horseback at the head, the Fire Brigade on their motor fire engine, the Thornycroft Works Band, the Basingstoke branch of the National Federation of Discharged and Demobilised Sailors and Soldiers, a carriage with Sir Auckland Geddes and his Private Secretary Cecil Litchfield, The Mayor Alderman Allnutt J.P., the Town Clerk Mr. J.A. Kingdon, Town Council & Borough Officials, Basingstoke Company of K.R.R. Cadets, Basingstoke Troop of Scouts and lastly the tank escorted by the Manchester Regiment with fixed bayonets and Lieut. B.B. Lomax in command.

Crowds lined the route from Brook St., Wote St., Market Square Winchester St., Victoria St., Council Road to a plinth near the Carnival Hall. The rusty tank was removed in the 1920s.

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Lottery**3Cs Lottery Winners:**

Drawn at 3cs Coffee Mornings:

Nov 2013

£50 141 George St
 £30 719 Longcroft Road
 £20 43 Lower Brook St

Dec 2013

£50 44 Lower Brook St
 £30 876 Southend Road
 £20 805 Solbys Road

Jan 2014

£50 666 Essex Road
 £30 684 Essex Road
 £20 724 Rochford Road

Feb 2014

£50 319 Queen's Road
 £30 91 Lower Brook St
 £20 306 Queen's Road

Mar 2014

£50 577 George St
 £30 746 Rochford Road
 £20 125 George St

Apr 2014

£50 1086 Sinclair Drive
 £30 513 Deep Lane
 £20 864 Southend Road

Costs **£12-10p per year**, including annual membership fee. Enquiries & help to: **Pam 01256-324313**

Upcoming Events**Brookvale Village Hall:
3Cs Coffee Morning**

Includes Councillor Surgery
 First Monthly Saturday without a Bank Holiday:

Sat 6th Sept & Sat 4th Oct:

10am - 12 midday

Pam 01256-324313**Our Proteus Panto 2015!**Rapunzel**Sunday 11th January 2:30pm:**

Tickets £5, £6, £7, £8

Pam 01256-324313**Green Weekend 2014!****Sat/Sun 20/21 Sept 14**

Part of Green Week

Malcolm 01256-364498**Upcoming Events****Committee Meetings****Management Committee:****AGM:** Thurs 4th Sep at 7.30pmThurs 2nd Oct at 7.30pminfo@brookvale.org.uk**Development SubCommittee:**Tuesday 25th Nov 2014 at 7:30pm**Malcolm 01256-364498****Neighbourhood Watch**

Queens Road:

Phil & Val 01256-421621**Brookvale Baby&Toddler Group**

Returning to Brookvale Village Hall

(Term time, Mondays:

10 – 11.30am)

£1 per session, per family

Catherine 07957109970info@brookvale.org.uk**National Childbirth Trust**

Drop in each Friday:

10 – Midday.

Brookvale Village Hall

£1 per session, per family

0844 243 6041info@basingstokenct.org.uk**The Vale Youth Club****Wednesdays:**

7pm – 8.30pm

Brookvale Village Hall

Minimum "Year 7" upwards

Entry £1 on the Door

Vince 07473 966 724**Toddler Time****Tuesdays:** Term time:

10.30 – 12noon

Essex Hall on Essex Road

Free of charge

Cil 07731-980824**Taoist Tai Chi****Tuesdays:**

1.30-3pm

Brookvale Village Hall

Helen 01256-576167**Limelighters Musical: "Grease"****Fri 31st Oct to Sun 2nd Nov**baoslimelight@yahoo.co.uk**Halloween Disco****Saturday 25th October 2:30pm:**

Brookvale Village Hall

Dancing & activities for all ages

Bring your own drink

Tickets **£3** under 2yo free from:**Pam 01256-324313****BCA Information**info@brookvale.org.uk<http://www.brookvale.org.uk>[http://www.facebook.com/pages/](http://www.facebook.com/pages/Brookvale-heart-of-Basingstoke/135744975619)[Brookvale-heart-of-](http://www.facebook.com/pages/Brookvale-heart-of-Basingstoke/135744975619)[Basingstoke/135744975619](http://www.facebook.com/pages/Brookvale-heart-of-Basingstoke/135744975619)**Hall Booking Agent:**

Cathy Williams

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

07982 925709

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

Malcolm MacInnes,

Chair, Development-Sub Committee

(01256) 364498

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

Councillor Michael Westbrook

07900 502995

clr.michael.westbrook@basingstoke.gov.uk

Councillor Jack Cousins

07912 012746

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

Councillor Criss Connor

(01256) 475629

criss.connor@hants.gov.uk**Your Town MP is:**

Maria Miller MP

(020) 7219 5749

millerm@parliament.uk

Police—Kings Furlong/Brookvale/Grove:

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

0845 045 45 45

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

PC Aaron Webb:

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Aaron.webb@hampshire.pnn.police.uk

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