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## ALL did GET MOTIVATED

Thank you to all those people who came along to the Brookvale Community Association AGM on Thursday 22nd May. We happily made more than a quorum and your support was much appreciated.

We all enjoyed a glass of exceedingly good 'Buy One Get One Free' wine, whilst perusing the photographs of some of the events of the past couple of years and seeing if we'd been caught on camera.

Then it was down to the more serious business of the evening, beginning with the Chairman's report which celebrated the achievements and successes of the past year, including the completion of the new car park. The Chairman thanked all those who had helped and been supportive during the past BCA year.

The Treasurer then gave her report which was favourable considering the hall had been closed for almost eight weeks last summer. The hall bookings were good and the funds had been helped by many successful events. The lottery was continuing to help raise money for the hall. The Treasurer asked anyone wishing to join to go along to the next 3 C's Coffee Morning.

The committee then stood down and a new committee was voted in. It was decided that the first committee meeting would be held at the Hall on Thursday 26th June at 8:30 pm. and that anyone wishing to come along as a visitor would be more than welcome.

The meeting finished early, though some people stayed behind to chat and look at the photographs.

We do realize that not everyone feels able or wants to be on a formal committee. However, if you have a little time to spare and would like to meet people and make more friends, we are always grateful for help on a more informal basis.

### Some ways of helping:

- Volunteer to display an events poster
- Deliver 'Blurb' or leaflets to one side of a road
- Be an extra pair of hands at an event
- Maybe giving a neighbour a lift to an event
- Telling us of a good idea for an event.

THANK YOU

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Distributed to  
Local households and  
businesses

This promises to be  
great fun

## INDEPENDENCE DAY LINE DANCING and BARBEQUE

Brookvale Village Hall  
Lower Brook Street

Friday 4th July  
at 7:30 pm

Tickets: £4-00

Including a beef burger or  
hot dog.

Tel: Lin -329475  
or Pam 352078

## WANTED

### Caretaker /Cleaner

For Brookvale Village Hall  
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person, prepared to work some  
unsocial hours. Good rate of pay  
for the right person. We will  
consider 2 people wishing to job  
share.

Tel: 329475 or 352078

## Message from our Community Beat Officer

I would like to introduce myself as Kat Boyd and I am the community beat officer for an area in Basingstoke which includes Brookvale.

Since 1st March 2003 the crime reported in the area of Brookvale shows there have been two vehicles stolen, five thefts from motor vehicles, a bicycle stolen from a back garden, damage caused to a window and four burglaries. In comparison with other areas this is a very small amount of crime, however I urge people to be extra vigilant. Please ensure that no valuables are left in your vehicles and please ensure that windows and doors are left secure at your houses or premises.

Recently the green area in Lower Brook Street has been subjected to an arson attack resulting in the adjoining premises being seriously damaged by fire. Any witnesses or information regarding this incident are sought, please contact myself at the Police Station. It has been mentioned that local youths use this area regularly and I would urge parents to know where your children are and what they are up to. The Community Beat Office is looking at existing ways and developing new ways to deal with anti-social behaviour and where offences are committed the offending persons will be dealt with robustly.

From meeting various residents over the last few months I see you live in a strong community and Police rely on your help in trying to reduce crime in your area. The telephone number for reporting all non-urgent crime is **0845 0454545**. If you do hear something about a crime or see anything but you don't want to get involved there is something you can do without risk. You can contact **CRIMESTOPPERS** on **0800 555 111**, and provide information anonymously. Thank you.

WPC 3471 Kat Boyd

## LOTTERY WINNERS 2003

Date	Lottery No.	Winner	Address
04/01/03	488	Mr Briggs	28 Highfield Chase
11/01/03	44	Mr Soper	167 Lower Brook St.
18/01/03	701	Mr Latchman	15 Essex Rd.
25/01/03	494	Mrs Poulter	21 Deep Lane
01/02/03	744	Mrs Burniston	10 Rochford Rd.
08.02.03	361	Mr Todd	1 Alexandra Rd.
15.02.03	799	Mr Lobb	8 Solbys Rd.
22.02.03	7	Deborah Duval	36 Lower Brook St.
01.03.03	907	Mr Cox	13 Brookvale Close
08.03.03	344	Margaret Cox	50 Queens Rd
15.03.03	719	Gill Broom	14 Essex Rd.
22.03.03	621	David Lewis	5a Rayleigh Rd.
29.03.03	801	Keith Melville	12 Solbys Rd.
05.04.03	979	Mrs Pike	14 Worting Rd.
12.04.03	552	Brian Chandler	26 George St.
19.04.03	333	Maggie Dee	28 Queens Rd.
26.04.03	2	Agnes Weatherley	219 Lower Brook St.

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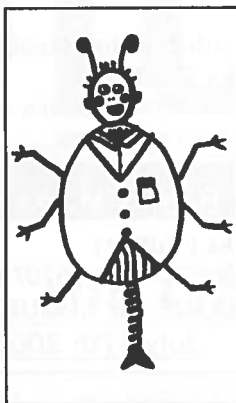
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**PRIZE BEETLE DRIVE**

by Murray Weatherley-Sinclair age 13

Picture by Annice Weatherley-Sinclair age 11



My sister and Grandma and I really enjoyed the Beetle Drive on Friday 28th March in the Brookvale Village Hall.

There were good prizes and great refreshments. We had a lot of laughs with me overcoming all the odds and winning the 'Booby Prize'. It was a large Mars Bar Easter Egg so I shared it with my Gran.

We had a fun evening. Why don't you come to the next one?

**THE BROOKVALE TEAZER** by Agnes Weatherley

The Brookvale Teazer on 4th April was a very jolly evening indeed. Persuaded by my grandson, I went along to the Village Hall with him and his sister were we were made very welcome. My grandson joined a team made up of a school friend and his family and the lovely Dolly French. They named themselves the 'Dolly Daydreamers' My grand daughter and I made up a team with three friendly ladies who were not complete beginners like us. We were the 'J.J.Aces', a title formed from the initials of our names.

Eventually seven teams of Brookvale residents and visitors, ranging in age from 11 years to 80( and still counting) started struggling light heartedly to find the correct answers to the cunning questions posed by the quiz master, John Banks, on subjects varying from general knowledge to pop music. With a lot of laughter we nibbled our eats, drank our squash and came up with quite a few wrong answers!

At the close of play the 'Odd Days' were the winners beating the 'Sixth Sense' by 6 marks. I won't say what the 'J.J.Aces' scored but I will say that playing the Brookvale Teazer beats watching T.V. any evening. AND I won a prize in the raffle!

**The 3 C's COFFEE MORNING and the SPRING FEVER JUMBLE SALE** by Harry Pullinger and Nora Shepherd

We would like to write a little piece on the Coffee Morning and the Jumble Sale on Saturday 12th April. Those people who did not come along missed a nice cuppa and a nice chat as well as massive amounts of good quality jumble. There was everything you could think of for only a few coppers. It was great fun looking through the things. The hall was filled with all sorts of things, sorted out in good order by the committee and helpers. It must have been quite a job.

Please come along next time and help swell the takings which help to keep our Village Hall going.

Thanks to everyone.

**NB.** The next 3 C's Coffee Morning is Saturday 7th June at 10:00 am till Noon. Come along and meet old friends.

**MARCO-POLO**

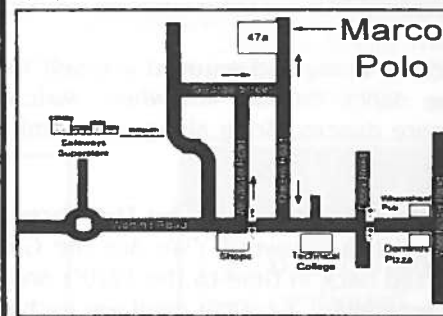
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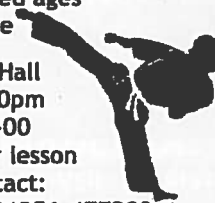
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**EVENTS continued.....****AN INTRODUCTION TO LINE DANCING** by Lin Chandler

Tuesday 13th May saw the ladies getting to grips with grape vines and box steps amongst others, when Malcolm Whitehouse of Southern Cross Line Dancing came to give us a beginners lesson.

A couple of hours passed quickly and we were surprised that we had mastered three dances and all without a cowboy hat or boots in sight!!!

If you came along and enjoyed yourself look out for our barbeque and line dance on July 4th when Malcolm will lead us through some more dances. Bring along your family and friends for a great evening.

**'SAM'S SPEAKEASY'** by The Three Musketeers

On giving the password, 'We are the Glee Club Choir', we were transported back in time to the 1920's and 'Sam's Speakeasy'. After a wonderful 3-course meal we exchanged our complimentary \$300 into chips and played roulette and blackjack, mingling with the crowd.

After the 'raid', we gambled on and drank cocktails and had an altogether wonderful evening thanks to the hard work of the Brookvale Community Committee and their helpers.

Brilliant as usual!



Players hoping for cards that will make 21 and Paul Morris trying to make sure the house always wins on the Blackjack Table!

**BCA CONTACTS**

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Further committee details will be published in the next Blurb.

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**DEADLINE for AUGUST ISSUE**

**July 17th 2003**



Some of Sam's guests playing their chips on the Roulette Wheel!

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Every Wednesday 1:15-2:15 pm

**BROOKVALE PARENT & TODDLER GROUP**

This friendly group meet at the Village Hall. Come along and meet us. Mandy 0778-7158479

Saturday 7th June

**3C'S COFFEE MORNING 10:00 am—12 noon**

Come along and enjoy a cuppa, a cake and a chat. Meet friends and neighbours. Your local councillor, Doris Jones, will be there to listen to  
For further details contact :324313

Tuesday 10th June

**LADIES NIGHT—8:00 pm**

'BARN OWLS TALK and  
FLYING DEMONSTRATION'

by John and Val Peacock. Partners and friends welcome. £2-00 Tel: 329475 or 352078

Friday 4th July 7:30 pm

**INDEPENDENCE DAY BARBEQUE with  
LINE DANCING**

No experience necessary! Come along and have a go. Beef burger or hotdog included in ticket price. More will be available reasonably priced!

Tickets :£4

Tel: Lin 329475 or Pam 352078

Tuesday 8th July

**LADIES NIGHT—8:00 pm**

Food Demonstration by Tesco demonstrator

If you need a lift please contact: 35207 or 329475

Saturday 12th July

**3C'S COFFEE MORNING 10:00 am—12 noon**

Come along and enjoy a cuppa, a cake and a chat.

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