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The regular newsletter of



Brookvale
Community Association

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Green Fair Sep 11th

Saturday Midday to 4pm Free Entry!

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



Prize!
Best
Mini
Sand
Tray
Garden



Prize!
Best
Recycled
Music
Maker



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

With Refreshments, Activities, Stalls, Information:

Wikaniko Body Care, Natural Shop, Riverford, Blackwell, Tree Speaker, Greening, Transitioners, Environment Centre, Green Economics Institute, Battery Vehicle Society, Greenpeace, Eco-Minds, Compassion In World Farming, Millers Ark!

Consultations & Workshops: Liz Kent—What can we do about it?



Providers: Blackwells, Consultations, Energy, Waste & Recycling, Plants & Drum Runners

A BAAG Concept Community Event hosted by BCA proceeds to Charity

2009, for the 3rd year running, the sun was kind to our outside stall holders!

Tom won the free entry raffle prize, Adam won the nearest number of bottle tops in the recycling bin and Abby won the painting prize yet again!

Our thanks to all our Volunteers, Providers and Councillors for making this our annual Community event: BCA, BAAG, Fair Trade Café, Wikaniko Body Care, Naomi House White Elephant, Parks Volunteers, LETSLINK UK, Battery Vehicle Society, Drum Runners 4 Kidz, Blackwells, Mark Group Energy Consultants, Energy Saving Trust Advice, Hampshire Wildlife Trust, Scouts, Guides, BCOT, Octopus Childrens' Centre, B&DBC/HCC: LDF, Victory Green, Cycling & Green Corridor, Postlethwaite's Age Of Stupid Film & Richard Barnett's Transition talk.

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

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.

In November & December, meet Martin Lee our Community Safety Patrolling Officer.

From Your Vulnerable Persons' Officer

Anne Gray was advised that the library work will include enlarging the upstairs lobby by removing the front staircase and re-instating the original back staircase.

The lift and welfare facilities will all meet DDA and Building Regulations. Requirements. Adult Services and the HCC Access Team advised on layout and equipment.

The Personal Changing Suite will operate on the RADAR key system. Hot and cold drinks and the sort of lighting in the toilets are yet to be finalised. See:

<http://discoverycentre.wordpress.com>

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

 <p>Dog Training Classes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 <p>Michelle Taylor V/N DipCABT Call (01256) 476024 for more details</p>

BCA Matters

Volunteers please contact us for::

- * Secretary (Rebecca).
 - * Health & Safety Assistants(Chris)
 - * Greening Champion (Malcolm)
 - * Village Plan (Malcolm)
- See rear page for contacts.

Sarah & Rob plan to move out of Brookvale. We wish them luck and special thanks to Sarah for her essential contribution in minute writing, web uploads, facebook updates and all matters about toddlers!

BCOT Students' are making us six bollards to place around the wooden notice board to keep the car park clear for hall users.

John & Cathy have leafletted Lower Brook Street and George Street for Neighbourhood Watch. All new members of a NHW scheme will receive a welcome pack which contains useful information about NHW, crime reduction & anti-social behaviour. Communication is encouraged between the police, NHW & partner agencies, which will reduce the likelihood of NHW members becoming a victim of crime & will assist the police in apprehending offenders

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

BCA Bygones

Looking back through past copies of the BLURB, Pam was reminded of the A4 two sided newsletter that used to go out on a quarterly bases; with mail shots in between as reminders for any organised events.


At the EGM in September 2000 Simon Byrne presented us with a sample of a newsletter, calling it the BLURB. The name and sample were adopted, and this is the format we use today. Another medium for communication set up by Simon is our Web site. Recently we saw the addition of Face Book.

A little bit of nostalgia set in reading of the Race Nights - prizes for the best waist coats and hats. Quiz nights, on one occasion the answer being given instead of the question. Call My Bluff wine evening, Skittles. Casino evening, Murder Mystery evenings – the hall being transformed into a Circus Tent and a (very) French Restaurant.

There was also the Ladies Club, examples of activities - visits to the Theatre/Owl Conservancy/Ghost Walks. Demonstration of head massage, cosmetics, reflexology, icing cake art, belly dancing.

The development sub-committee, was involved with Safeways (Morrisons). redevelopment of BCOT, alterations to Victory Roundabout, Victory Heights and the allotment development.

All this revolved around our Village Hall, the fun, laughter, tears, discussions on developments all infused into it's structure.

<p>marco polo Hair and Beauty</p>	<p>★★★★★ 5-star rated salon Open weekends (including Sundays) and until late during the week</p>
	
<p>47a Queens Road (01256) 812635 www.marcopolo-hair.co.uk</p>	

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Friends Of Loddon Vale Parks

13th November Hedge Planting

Victory Park Works to commence in September

Cathy reported the results from the Bat Survey were:

- Church Cottage where activity was seen before was very quiet with little or no activity this time around
- The Meadow area (adjacent to the Bat Boxes), there was activity this time around which is encouraging
- Down Thornycroft Lane - no activity, probably too light
- King George V—again not much activity.

It is believed that the colonies breed elsewhere and probably return to roost in the parks during the Winter months, although this cannot be confirmed until a couple of years worth of data have been collated. Another successful event, many thanks to all who attended and supported.

We are investigating Ash Bins for the parks and Keep Britain Tidy Campaign Litter Posters and fliers. We are also looking to liaise with local schools and colleges for poster designs and assistance with litter collection and picking in the parks.

Development SubCtte

Ongoing investigation to register our green spaces.

Please request Solar Swan Necked lights via this website:

[http://
www.lightsoninhamphshire.co.uk/
Public/Enquiries.aspx](http://www.lightsoninhamphshire.co.uk/Public/Enquiries.aspx)

The Thornycroft Industrial Estate Service Road has now been resurfaced. White lining has not occurred but paint was spilt on the new road surface instead!

John is investigating the Section 106 money for the Thornycroft Clock roundabout installation.

BCOT hosted the SHLAA exhibition where Developers were present to promote their schemes for allocated sites. There was one ECO-Developer promoting an ECO development at Rooksdawn. The land at the West Ham pumping station will be next for more flats without the infrastructure improvements. Unless people demand improvements, there will be future water, gas/electric shortages with overflowing sewer covers and unmanaged traffic queueus.

Mobile Library

Appears opposite Willis Museum, Market Place, RG21 7QD:

- Saturday 9:30am to 4pm
- Sunday 11am to 3pm
- Monday 9:30am to 4pm

[http://www3.hants.gov.uk/
basingstoke-library.htm](http://www3.hants.gov.uk/basingstoke-library.htm)



The Vale Youth Club

This has been successfully running for two years. Run and organised very competently by Andy Winsor from the Community Church and a team of willing helpers.

It is open every Wednesday 7 – 8.30pm during term time, £1 on the door. Minimum age 'Year 7' upwards. There is now a membership of 35-40, with between 15 – 20 attending each week. summer attendances are higher!

The attendance numbers do seem to respond to word of mouth rather than marketing/mail shots. One of the girls moved from Brookvale, but still attends, and brings a couple of friends with her; others bring friends in from Lychpit and South Oakridge.

Once they have been going for two to three weeks they are given a leaflet to obtain parental permission to be out, whether they are able to travel home on their own, and any medical issues which Andy should be aware of.

The activities are certainly geared for their age range, including:

A tuck shop. Nintendo wii, Playstation 2 (bit old hat, but still enjoyed). Mini table tennis, air hockey, and a snooker/pool table.

And of course football at the far end of the car park, which is closely supervised.

Once numbers increase, there is the possibility of outings, for example a visit to Bowlplex.

So if you are interested, pop down and take a look, you will not be disappointed!

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Lottery Winners**3Cs Lottery Winners:****February 2010**

1st £50 Lottery number 141
2nd £30 Lottery number 272
3rd £20 Lottery number 799

March 2010

1st £50 Lottery number 338
2nd £30 Lottery number 438
3rd £20 Lottery number 18

April 2010

1st £50 Lottery number 329
2nd £30 Lottery number 91
3rd £20 Lottery number 636

These three prizes are drawn at each monthly 3Cs Coffee Morning between 10am and midday. The next lottery draw for May, June and July will be at the 3Cs Coffee Morning, on **Saturday 7th August 2010**.

Pam 01256-324313

Thursday 29th - Saturday 31st July 11am-4pm

**Green Economics Institute
5th Annual Conference-Oxford
Green Jobs and
Implementing the Green
Economy**

Miriam Kennett
greeneconomicsevents@yahoo.co.uk

**Friday 2nd September 8pm
Friends Of Loddon Vale Parks Ctte:**
BCA Hall: Christine: 07780600758

Tuesday 10th August 7pm

**Outdoor Meeting:
Basingstoke Field Society:**
Broad Oak Common/
Basingstoke Canal
Cathy 01256 462688

**Saturday 13th November 1:30pm
Hedge Planting: King George V**
BCA Hall: Christine: 07780600758

**Sunday 25th July 1pm-5pm
Keep Our Parks Tidy Campaign:
Glebe Gardens:**
Christine: 07780600758

Upcoming Events**Committee Meetings**

Management Committee:
Tuesday 27th July, 7.30pm
Development SubCommittee:
Tuesday 20th July, 7:30pm
committee@brookvale.org.uk

3Cs Coffee Morning

Normally held each First Monthly Saturday without a Bank Holiday:
Sat 3th July/Sat 7th August:
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

All New "Toddler Time"

Term time Tuesdays:
10.30-12noon
Essex Hall on Essex Road
Free of charge
Contact-Cil: 07731980824

Sunday 25th July 2010 Daytime

Punch Festival:
Prof Morris: 01256 352869

Sat 11th Sept 2010 Midday -4pm

Community Green Fair:
Malcolm: 01256 364498
(ansafone message)

BCA Information

info@brookvale.org.uk
<http://www.brookvale.org.uk>

Hall Booking Agent:
(01256) 462688
(between 9am and 7pm only)
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
(01256) 351074
chris.hall@brookvale.org.uk
Local Development issues:
Malcolm MacInnes,
Chair, Development-Sub Committee
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malcolm.macinnnes@brookvale.org.uk

Your Ward Councillors are:
Councillor John Shaw
(01256) 461776
cllr.john.shaw@basinstoke.gov.uk
Councillor Doris Jones
(01256) 415062
cllr.doris.jones@basinstoke.gov.uk

Your County Councillor is:
County Councillor Ron Hussey
01256 415840
ron.hussey@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/basingstoke/town/Brookvale-and-Kings-Furlong.htm>

Your Borough CSPO is:
Martin Lee (077)
01256 845700
martin.lee@basinstoke.gov.uk

Your Area PCSO is:
PCSO Stephanie Bradley
0845 045 45 45
stephanie.bradley@hampshire.pnn.police.uk

Your Beat Officer is:
PC Ian Wonnacott:
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