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The regular newsletter of



Brookvale
Community Association

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Happy New Year
To all Residents
From all at Brookvale Community Association

All these 2017 delivered events below will be held again in 2018 and more!

Community Coach Trip

Community travel to explore
somewhere new!



Halloween Disco

Strut your stuff & win prizes!



Brookvale In Bloom

Garden Horticulture Pride &
Bio-Diversity competition!



Sustainability Day

Workshops on traffic
congestion, pollution, climate
warming & energy!



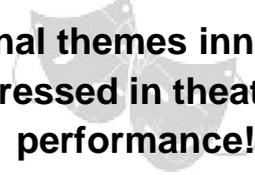
Thornycroft Day

Find your relatives & colleagues,
in the town's largest employer &
raise money for the clock!



Xmas Play

Traditional themes innovatively
expressed in theatrical
performance!



Find all our events in posters & on our website!
Your suggestions to: info@brookvale.org.uk

For all the latest local news , events and information:

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Beauty Queen Visits our Hall!

The 2017 total MacMillan Coffee Morning funds at the bottom of page 3 column 2 included a local resident donating his jar of coins and a local student Georgina who also popped into our hall with her assistants to make her donation. Georgina is a contestant in the Miss Teen Hampshire Galaxy pageant to be held in Manchester on the 24th March, for her dream of competing in the international finals in July.



Georgina a very shy person and it really held me back, but due to this pageant I have gained so much confidence in myself and it's made my life happier! A pageant girl's life is no different from anyone else's, I go to college and have a part time job, but I fit in my appearances and charity work, which is one of the best parts of being in a pageant. So far I have raised over £450 for the Christie Cancer charity, campaigned for Type 1 diabetics and donated to the homeless."

The Pageant chose the Christie Cancer Charity with which Georgina has no personal connection.

Georgina adds: "Obviously all cancer charities are worth every penny we can raise for them as cancer takes so many lives. I also raise awareness for Diabetes UK, which is a charity very very close to my heart as this year on 21st of April I was diagnosed with type 1 diabetes."

Instagram: [georgina_lawrence](#)



Mount Snowdon Fund Raising

Also, Georgina is concerned about negative media "airhead" messages: "Pageants aren't so well known in the south of England, there is such a bad opinion of pageants which really affects a lot of girls here who often get horrible messages through social media. Pageant girls help each other, support our community and raise hundreds for many charities. I hope that people in the future will understand pageants better once they see what the girls do. This is a great way to make lifelong friends and build your confidence so don't hesitate to enter a national or regional pageant to gain amazing lifelong memories".



Cakes Fund Raising

Georgina concludes: "I have a lot of ambitions in my work and in my personal life. I would love to set up my own business being a wedding planner which has been my dream since I was ten years old. I hope to travel to many places when I finish university as I have a very long bucket list which includes skydiving, going to the pink lake and swimming with dolphins. Another big ambition of mine is to speak to a lot of young children to make them aware of diabetes. This is a very important issue to me and I aim to be a public speaker for the Diabetes UK Charity".

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/missteenhampshire>

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Seasonal Events

Exbury-Lymington Day Trip
 Depart 12th May 9:15am Ticket Entry Only!
 From: Churchill Way West Coach Stop, near Glebe Farm Deli,
 Opposite the Anvil, RG21 7QU



Stroll around the beautiful tranquil Exbury Gardens Rhododendrons and Azaleas. Or why not take the mini steam train ride around the grounds? In the afternoon at 1.30pm we leave Exbury Gardens to travel onto Lymington for lunch, and perhaps a walk round the Market stalls, or just explore the town with its quaint cobbled street, quayside, yachts & sea-views.



Tickets: £25-00 Per Seat
 Includes admission to Entry & Dinner Donation
 Phone: 0741 207 4477

All welcome to join us for our Brookvale Community Association Annual Day Out

- Outgoing Depart 9.15am from Churchill Way West, Coach Stop opposite Anvil
- Lower Exbury Gardens 12.00pm
- Dropoff bus stop outside Wetherspoons, Avenue Road, Lymington
- Lunch 1.30pm bus stop outside Fraser Centre, North Lane, Lymington
- Limited seating - folding wheel chair accepted - No food or litter in rubbish

£10 deposit by Thur 1st February 18 + £15 balance by Thur 5th April 18

For all the latest local news, events and information, visit our website www.brookvale.org.uk

DSC Report

May Street Garages

The Contractors completed the garages demolition & removed trees & existing parking.

Construction to complete in summer. The Contractors will offer free surplus offcuts & building materials in hall car park. for Residents collection.

169 To 187 Lower Brook Street
 More detail was requested of the window frames to be fitted.

48 Queen's Road
 Non-compliant window frame details were requested.

Downsland Parade
 Owner agreed to modify windows.

Lamb Public House
 Instead of being converted into flats, yet another old pub trashed, together with clear felling of the site, removing the WW2 shelter.

M3 Unnecessary Service Stations
 Multiple applications are being submitted to develop both J6 and J7 without regard to the Canal and Air Quality breaches expected in 2019, gridlock in 2029, no new petrol/diesel cars to be sold in 2040 and new electric car demand in 2050.

BDBC Community Involvement Statement

Reconsulted until 11Dec17, no changes from previous responses about short timescales about "consultation" methods.

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Bygones

Alexandra Road Organised crime

My mother **Ellen Phoebe Partridge** (White) was born in Basingstoke in 1912. She left school in 1926 to become a Burberry girl apprentice seamstress. In 1933 the great depression was biting and she was laid off.



After several weeks unemployment she answered a knock at the door. Stood in front of her was her former supervisor from Burberry, who offered her a part time job.

Also laid off, the supervisor had copied the patterns of Burberry's most popular men's and women's raincoats and was setting up in business to produce **fake Burberry** raincoats. Given her family of eight's economic circumstances my mother accepted the offer of employment.

If you walk down Alexandra Road from Worting Road on the left-hand path about a third of the way down you will see an archway set into the terraced houses. Walk under the archway towards the end of the back gardens, on the right-hand side there is a large brick and slate tiled shed which stretches laterally across the back of 3 gardens. It was in that shed my mother, her former supervisor at Burberry and, her friend **Kitty Earle** (another Burberry trained seamstress from May Street) made **fake Burberry** raincoats for 18 months. The raincoats sold to department stores in Bournemouth and Birmingham.

When the economy picked up, my mother found employment on the production line with Eli Lily. **Kitty Earle** became a house wife and cleaned the Methodist chapel in May Street, as well as being a bookies runner for **Bert Bone**, father of **Gary Bone**, who on the 7th of September showed the film about the history of **Thornycroft** in the village hall. The shed is now owned by a local heritage builder.

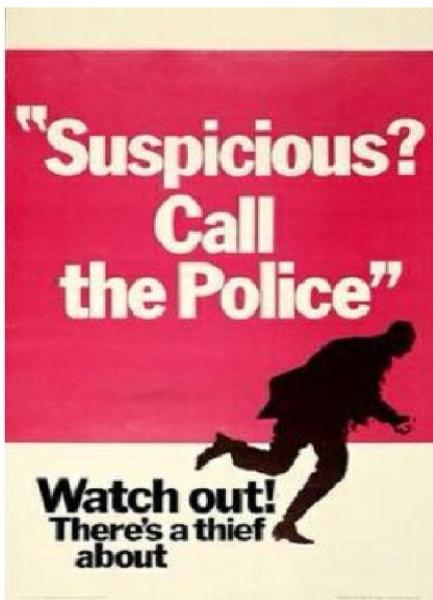
Written by (and with our thanks to) **Steve Partridge**, a former pupil of Brookvale School, who lived in May Street and George Street when he was a child. **Ellen Partridge** and **Kitty Earle** are deceased.

BCA Trustee News

Multiple breakins at the Village Hall
Please can all residents look out for our community asset, our village hall, and inform 101 and us of any suspicious activity?

We need your focus on these breakins which are becoming more disruptive to hirers & causing more facility damage & increased costs. The latest occurrence was an unpleasant & upsetting New Year welcome to our Community Church hirers.

Our thanks to Tesco Metro for replacing the stolen biscuits and soft drinks taken from the kid's containers.



Volunteer Trustees needed:

- * Event Hosts

Volunteers needed:

- * Gardener
- * Maintainer
- * Community Plan



Community Outreach Agents

- (paid part time) needed for:
- * Winterthur Way/Sinclair Drive
 - * West/East Brookvale

A Big Thankyou! from MacMillans. At our coffee morning 21st Sep 17 **we raised £282-53.**

Together we've helped to make a

**WE ARE
MACMILLAN.
CANCER SUPPORT**



**huge
difference
to people
facing
cancer.**

Thankyou for being the icing on the cake!

Friends Of Loddon Vale Parks



Joe and Phil weeding the Victorian path edging:



Another day, with Daisy's help, spring bulbs were planted on the Brookvale Village Hall car park bank:



More spring bulbs were also added to the bee border in Victory Park.

During the recent water works, the Anemone bulbs under the trees near Victory Roundabout were dug up, we hope these bulbs will return in 2018!

One of the pampas grasses was transplanted to a new location to avoid shading out the bee border and seems to have taken OK.

Thank you to local residents for donating plants for the parks and a big thank you to Mr. Merriweather and Mr. Davies for their continued support in Victory Park. Their help is much appreciated in keeping our parks pleasant and tidy.



Above, with thanks to: Mr Merriweather, remember this?

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Lottery

3Cs Lottery Winners:

Drawn at **Coffee Mornings:**

May 2017

£50 438 Alexandra Road
 £30 241 Queen's Road
 £20 648 Rayleigh Road

Jun 2017

£50 250 Queen's Road
 £30 648 Rayleigh Road
 £20 252 Queen's Road

Jul 2017

£50 440 Alexandra Road
 £30 125 George Street
 £20 612 Rayleigh Road

Aug 2017

£50 362 Alexandra Road
 £30 252 Queen's Road
 £20 487 Highfield Chase

Sep 2017

£50 440 Alexandra Road
 £30 329 Queen's Road
 £20 897 Southend Road

Costs £12-10 per year, includes annual membership fee.

Enquiries & help to:

Cathy (01256) 351687

2017 Beatles 50th Anniversary

Basingstoke

Recognise them?
 Saw them play?
 Tell us about it?



8 Days A Week:

Channel 4 TV

Friday 5th Jan 9pm (All 4 Catchup)

Friends of Loddon Vale Parks

Litter Pick in Glebe Gardens:

Sat 7th April 2018 2pm

Meet at Chute House –
 no skill necessary!

Committee Coffee Morning

Meet Committee & Volunteers



Each 2nd Saturday 10:30am:
 Discuss events, issues and ideas

Free first hot drink!

info@brookvale.org.uk

Upcoming Events

Committee Meetings

Management Committee:

Tues 9th Jan at 7.30pm
 Tues 12th Feb at 7.30pm
 Thurs 13th Mar at 7.30pm
info@brookvale.org.uk

Development SubCommittee:

Tues 30th Jan 2018 at 7:30pm
 Tues 27th Mar 2018 at 7:30pm
Malcolm 01256-364498

Neighbourhood Watch

Queens Road:
Phil & Val 01256-421621

Brookvale Baby&Toddler Group

(Term time, Mondays:
 10 – 11.30am)
 £2 per session, per family
 Brookvale Village Hall
Catherine 07957109970
info@brookvale.org.uk

National Childbirth Trust

Drop in each Friday:
 10 – Middyay.
 Brookvale Village Hall
 £2 per session, per family
0844 243 6041
info@basingstokenct.org.uk

Wu Shu Kwan

Fitness, confidence, self-defence:
Sundays:
 7 – 9pm Brookvale Village Hall
07738 096346

Taoist Tai Chi

Wednesdays:
 2.00-3.30pm Brookvale Village Hall
01256-882534

Brookvale Community Association invites you to its

Coffee Morning

Meet new people and relax over a freshly brewed cup of tea or coffee

10am to 12noon every Thursday at

Brookvale Village Hall, Lower Brook Street,
 Basingstoke, RG21 7RP
www.brookvale.org.uk



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