



## Welcome

Welcome to the BCS Berkshire branch newsletter for June 2016. Here are the news and events happening over the next month...

## Forthcoming events

### External event, Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2016 2016 – 19:30 -21:00

#### Reading Geek Night at The Walkabout Reading



The Reading Geek Night! A friendly and welcoming community for enthusiasts. We meet 2nd Tuesday of the month. Come and listen to talks and meet new people over beer. There is also an opportunity for any short announcements etc.

Check out the Reading Geek Night website for details of the program for the day - <https://rdggeeknight.wordpress.com/> or tweet: @RDGGeekNight.

### Public event, Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2016 - 18:30 -21:00

#### Project Management Talk – Successful projects through energised project organisation, a joint event with PROMS-G (Project Management Specialist Group) at Waitrose, Bracknell



This talk by Dr. Liz Lee-Kelly is titled “Thinking differently – Introducing the concept of the energised projects organisation”. The need to accept that projects are not done in isolation but within a certain context is emphasised. The speaker discusses how the organisational environment and interfaces affect the way people act and react; ultimately affecting project delivery. Come along and find out about how to deliver successful projects through energised project organisation.

For full details of the event, and how to book your place, please click here

<http://berkshire.bcs.org/?event=successful-projects-through-energised-project-organisation>

### Public event, Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2016 - 19:30 -21:30

#### Committee Meeting at Oracle Corporation, TVP



The BCS Berkshire Committee Meeting is held the first Tuesday of every month at one of the listed locations. In July the committee meeting is at Oracle Corporation, Oracle Parkway, Thames Valley Park (TVP), RG6 1RA.

Attendance is by invitation only. If you want to attend a meeting then please contact the [chair](#).

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## Volunteering

### Volunteering with organisations and individuals

The BCS Berkshire Branch acts as a go-between to put volunteers in touch with organisations and individuals who need help. If you want to help then fill out a [skills sheet \(xls\)](#), change its file name to your name, and email it to: [volunteering.berkshire@bcs.org.uk](mailto:volunteering.berkshire@bcs.org.uk). Please also register with [IT Can Help \(ITCH\)](#).... If you represent an organisation that needs help, or have any other suggestions at all, please email: [volunteering.berkshire@bcs.org.uk](mailto:volunteering.berkshire@bcs.org.uk).

### IT/Programming volunteers needed in Reading area

Voluntary organisations in the Reading area are often looking for help with their IT systems. if you think that you may be able to help please check out the requirements at <http://rva.org.uk/search-volunteering-opportunities/>. Just click on "what kind of task" and click on IT/programming.

The requirements are changing all the time, so please revisit that site from time to time. If you do follow up on any of these please let the relevant organisation know that you saw the opportunity on BCS Berks website and let us know too.

### Web Developer Volunteer

The BCS Berkshire committee thanks Michael Gbadebo for providing support to refresh the branch website by developing WordPress templates.

### Summer Work Placement - UTC Reading Calling

UTC Reading computer science students are seeking summer work experience this year, from 4th to 8th July 2016. We need your help in enriching the education of our students, and giving them exposure to the real world of work. If you can provide a stimulating experience for a week in an IT department close to Reading this year, please complete this online form <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/WEX2016>. Visit [www.utcreading.co.uk](http://www.utcreading.co.uk) to find out more about our school.

### Committee Member Needed

We currently have an opening in our committee for the role of Communications Manager. If you would like to help out then please do get in touch by contacting our Chair, Anthony Parker on [antgparker@bcs.org.uk](mailto:antgparker@bcs.org.uk)

### Computer Journals

A large number of BCS Computer Journals are available for members for free. It seems a shame to put them in the recycling....If you are interested, please get in touch with [chair.berkshire@bcs.org.uk](mailto:chair.berkshire@bcs.org.uk)

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## Other IT Events in Berkshire

**ConnectTVT** - Connecting Thames Valley Tech is a Reading-based platform bringing together the Thames Valley's fast-growing entrepreneurial ecosystem, tech and digital economy, in Reading. Check out some interesting upcoming events on their website - <https://www.connectvt.co.uk/events>

## **BCS Berkshire Forthcoming Events for 2016**

Watch out for our forthcoming events on entrepreneurship, learning and development, modern trends in software testing, change management, think shop and many others.

Any changes to the programme will be published on the website and included in the monthly email newsletter. Please check your inbox and the website regularly to be sure you do not miss out.

**[See Website for further event information](#)**