



Welcome

Welcome to the BCS Berkshire branch newsletter for January 2021. We would like to inform you of the sudden demise of our former branch Chairman Anthony Parker, whose obituary appears below. Please note that, due to the coronavirus pandemic, all our face-to-face events have been postponed until further notice. There are, however, some online IT events which may be of interest to you.

Obituary - Anthony Parker



It is with deep sadness that we begin the new year with the unexpected news of the death of our former Chairman Anthony Parker. Much of what we have done for our members in the last 10 years has been his initiative. Above all, his was a generous, loyal, fun-loving, hard-working spirit.

He will be deeply missed at BCS Berkshire. May he rest in peace, and may his wife Sarah, and the family and friends he leaves behind, find comfort in the high esteem in which he was held, and always will be.

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Online IT Events

The following are some online events happening in the next few months. Feel free to join and stay safe:

- Reading Geek Nights Virtual Talk & Pub Quiz Evening – Tuesday, January 12, 7- 9 PM. Talk followed by a Pub Quiz. Everyone welcome. For details and the Zoom link for the event please [register here](#) or visit their [web site](#).
- If you have an interest in cyber security, you may like to join the Thames Valley Chapter of ISC2. If you are not a member and would like to know more, please contact them via [this page](#). Existing members are invited to attend their [AGM](#) on Thursday 28th January 2021 (7 pm). Non-members who wish to attend must join before 14th January 2021. Full details are [here](#).

You are reminded that [our committee meetings](#) are open to all. We would like to use this opportunity to welcome Ugo Ekpo to the Committee. Ugo is a Cyber Security professional who has worked in the IT industry for over 25 years and has published books on Cyber Security and Digital Evolution.

Please remember to like the [BCS Berkshire Facebook page](#), follow us on twitter @bcsberkshire and join the [BCS Berkshire LinkedIn](#) group. Since our last newsletter, we have posted some content on our [YouTube channel](#) and [Past Events page](#).

For the up to date list of BCS events please check the [BCS Event listing](#) and for Thames Valley AIHUB events check [Meetup](#).

Volunteering

Promoting a Volunteering Culture

BCS Berkshire would like to encourage members to help make IT good for society by taking up volunteering opportunities available in the region. Have a look at our [website](#) for current volunteering opportunities or email us at volunteering.berkshire@bcs.org.uk if you represent, or know of an organisation that needs help, or have any other suggestions.

Running own events

BCS Berkshire would like to invite members who want to showcase their projects or run their own events to contact events.berkshire@bcs.org.uk.



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