



## Welcome

Welcome to the BCS Berkshire branch newsletter for September 2021. Please note that, due to the coronavirus pandemic, all our face-to-face events have been postponed until further notice. The following are events, especially our AGM 2021, that may be of interest to you.

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## Forthcoming Events



Reading Geek Night Pub Social – Tuesday 14th September 2021; 7- 9 pm.

Come along and share your geekery and enjoy some good old skool networking + beers at The Walkabout: Wiston Terrace (off Friar Street) Reading RG1 1DG. It's a great opportunity for food, drinks, networking and discussions about IT, technology, business, and advice. Everyone welcome.

For details visit their [website](#) and [Social Tech meetup](#) pages.

## BCS Berkshire AGM 2021



This year's branch AGM will be held via Zoom on Thursday, September 23rd at 7 pm, and will be followed by a presentation from independent analyst Chiara Rustici entitled "WWIII is a cybrid war: started already but never declared?"

The event is free to attend, and all members of the BCS Berkshire are encouraged to attend by registering at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/bcs-berkshire-branch-agm-and-keynote-talk-on-cybrid-warfare-tickets-169122498947>.

Anyone who is interested can nominate themselves for election to the branch committee at the AGM by emailing the chair at [chair.berkshire@bcs.org.uk](mailto:chair.berkshire@bcs.org.uk) by the 22nd of September. They can nominate themselves for a general committee role, or for one of the three roles that are specifically elected at the AGM namely Chair, Treasurer and Inclusion Officer.

## Partners event

The ISC2 Thames Valley Chapter would like to invite all BCS Berkshire members with a 50% discount to an exclusive 'Virtual Escape Room Challenge' event on Thursday, October 21st 2021. You will need to register and book your ticket using the Promo Code ISC2FRIEND as soon as possible as places are limited. Register here: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/isc2-thames-valley-chapter-virtual-escape-room-challenge-event-tickets-158005656171>.

*\*Please do not share the discount code publicly as it is meant only for BCS Berkshire members.\**

Are you also a member of [Thames Valley IoT?](#) They have asked us to tell you that they have 25 free open passes for Developer Week Global's 'Cloud 2021' event on 14-15 September, via promo code MU11407. There may still be time to take advantage! For further information visit <https://www.developerweek.com/global/conference/cloud/>.

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## Staying Connected with BCS Berkshire

You are reminded that anyone is welcome to attend [our committee meetings](#) by contacting us in advance of the meeting. 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](#).

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## Links to our partners' events

The following are links to our partner technology groups within the Berkshire area, feel free to check their events page for other interesting events happening in the region:

- ISC2 <https://isc2tvch.co.uk/events.html>
  - Thames Valley AI Hub <https://www.tvaihub.co.uk/> or check [Meetup](#).
  - Google Developers' Group <https://www.meetup.com/GDG-Reading-Thames-Valley/>
  - IET Berkshire <https://communities.theiet.org/communities/home/258>.
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