Welcome
Welcome to the BCS Berkshire branch newsletter for February 2022. Please note that, due to the coronavirus pandemic, all our face-to-face events have been postponed until further notice. We hope to share news of our events with you in the next editions of the newsletter. The following are events being organised by some of our partner organisations.

Events
Reading Geek Night New Year’s Pub Social – Tuesday 8th February 2022; 7-9 pm.
Come along and share your geekery and enjoy some good old skool networking + beers at Zero Degrees (9 Bridge St, Reading RG1 2LR). It’s a great opportunity for food, drinks, networking and discussions about IT, technology, business, and advice. Everyone is welcome.
For details visit their website and Social Tech meetup pages.

Webinar - Developing data-driven solutions in Healthcare - Wednesday 16th February, 4:30 - 6 pm
Our partner @TVAlHub is co-hosting an update in digital advances in healthcare on 16 Feb, with speakers from Royal Berks NHS Foundation Trust @RBNHSFT and @HenleyBSchool: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/developing-data-driven-solutions-in-healthcare-what-are-the-realities-tickets-220583690757.

Staying Connected with BCS Berkshire
You are welcome to join our committee and/or attend our committee meetings. We love to see fresh faces and get your ideas!. You can contact 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. You can find our events on our YouTube channel and Past Events page. For the up to date list of BCS events please check the BCS Event listing.

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.
Appeal for information on Neurodiversity

The Diversity and Inclusion Officer for the BCS Berkshire, Pete Self has been approached by Reading Geek Night about supporting a week on diversity in their workplace. If anyone has anything relating to Neurodiversity that they are happy to share, please contact us at: chair.berkshire@bcs.org.uk.

Future Event

BCS Berkshire members are encouraged to save the date of this year’s Great Debate, which we support every year with the Institution of Civil Engineers, Reading University, and others: 16 March 2022. As in 2021, it will be online. https://www.ice.org.uk/events/great-debate-2022-online.