



### Welcome

Welcome to the BCS Berkshire branch newsletter for June 2022. Please note that, following the lifting of all the COVID-19 restrictions in the UK, we are making efforts to resume our face-to-face events. We hope to share news of our face-to-face 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 – Tuesday 14th June 2022; 7- 9 pm.



Come along and grab a beer/food at the downstairs bar (the mango beer and wood fired pizza are epic) and come share your geekery and enjoy a relaxed evening of talks + 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.

TVAIHub presents an in person interactive workshop on “Solving Real-World Challenges with Computer Vision and Deep Learning”



Date: 16th June; Time: 10:00-16:00

Venue: Meadow Suite, Park House, University of Reading Whiteknights Campus

For details/booking: [https://tvaihub.co.uk/computer\\_vision\\_workshop/](https://tvaihub.co.uk/computer_vision_workshop/).

R. U. Hacking? 2022 – Friday 25th – Saturday 26th June, 2022.



R. U. Hacking? (Reading University Hacking) presents the 3rd annual 24-hour student hackathon. The BCS Berkshire is a silver sponsor for this event and will award this year's Anthony Parker Memorial Prize. All are welcome. There are lots of prizes to be won so come along and get involved. For details/booking: <https://ruhacking.uk/>

Webinar: Network Subnetting - Thursday 30th June, 2022; 7- 8 pm.



Join Galatia Evangelidou, Network Operations Manager for Historic Environment Scotland, as she provides an online demonstration on 'Introduction to Network Subnetting – Subnets, IP addresses and Subnet Masks'. The event is brought to you by BCS Berkshire Branch and is free to attend. For details and booking, visit:

<https://www.bcs.org/events-calendar/2022/june/webinar-an-intro-to-network-subnetting-subnets-ip-addresses-and-subnet-masks/>.

Lora WAN event– Wednesday 13th July 2022 - Our first in-person event since 2019 is to be held on Wed 13th July 2022. The venue is to be decided.

The speaker is Mark Stanley who will talk about Lora WAN projects implemented in the Reading area. This covers projects such as *Reading Hydro* and *UoR street status for safety*. Details and booking link to follow.  
We hope to make this a hybrid event with option for remote participation.

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## Appeal to all BCS Berkshire members

BCS Berks are supporting STEM events aimed at inspiring young people to take up IT/Computer Science careers.

Can you spare one day to attend an event with me and engage with students aged 11 to 19? Please respond to Chris Todd-Davies (contact details below) if you can make it to our next event below. BCS Berks will reimburse all travel expenses and lunch is provided.

The event details are:

- SEND at Stoke Mandeville. This takes place on 20th June.
- TeenTech Hampshire Festival in Basingstoke, Hampshire. This takes place Wed 29th June. This is a STEM event for students aged 12-14. For more information, visit: <https://www.ebpsouth.co.uk/Event/schoolsteentechhampshire22>

For those working for a company, these events provide an opportunity to showcase your employer and give back to the community. We hope some of you can find the time to help out.

Contact: Chris Todd-Davies, STEM coordinator, BCS Berkshire, [chris@todd-davies.co.uk](mailto:chris@todd-davies.co.uk), +44 7973 806 281, +44 118 327 2597.

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## 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 - [chair.berkshire@bcs.org.uk](mailto:chair.berkshire@bcs.org.uk)

Please 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](#).

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## 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](mailto:volunteering.berkshire@bcs.org.uk) if you represent, or know of an organisation that needs help, or have any other suggestions.

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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:

- Thames Valley AI Hub <https://www.tvaihub.co.uk/>
- ISC2 <https://isc2tvch.co.uk/events.html>
- Google Developers' Group: <https://gdgreading.dev/go/meet>; Call for speakers: <https://gdgreading.dev/go/speak>; Call for volunteers: <https://gdgreading.dev/go/volunteer>



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