Welcome
Welcome to the BCS Berkshire branch newsletter for July 2022. Please note that, following the lifting of all the COVID-19 restrictions in the UK, we have partially resumed our face-to-face events. The following are some events happening this month:

## Events

### Reading Geek Night – Tuesday 12th July 2022; 7-9 pm.

[Image of Reading Geek Night]

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.

### Hybrid event: LoRaWan applications in Berkshire – Wednesday 13th July 2022; 7-9 pm.

[Image of Hybrid event]

Join us for our first in-person event since 2019 at ZeroDegrees Microbrewery and Restaurant, 9 Bridge Street, Reading, RG1 2LR. 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.

For details and booking, visit: [https://www.bcs.org/events-calendar/2022/july/hybrid-event-lorawan-applications-in-berkshire/](https://www.bcs.org/events-calendar/2022/july/hybrid-event-lorawan-applications-in-berkshire/).

## 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](https://twitter.com/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](mailto:volunteering.berkshire@bcs.org.uk) if you represent, or know of an organisation that needs help, or have any other suggestions.
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/](https://www.tvaihub.co.uk/)
- ISC2 [https://isc2tvch.co.uk/events.html](https://isc2tvch.co.uk/events.html)
- Google Developers’ Group: [https://gdgreading.dev/go/meet](https://gdgreading.dev/go/meet); Call for speakers: [https://gdgreading.dev/go/speak](https://gdgreading.dev/go/speak); Call for volunteers: [https://gdgreading.dev/go/volunteer](https://gdgreading.dev/go/volunteer)