



## Welcome

Welcome to the BCS Berkshire branch newsletter for February 2025. We hope to bring you more exciting events in the coming months. Keep an eye on [our website](#) for details and other news. You can visit our website for the latest IT blog by our Chair.

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### Reading Geek Night – Tuesday 11th February 2025; 7 pm – till late



Come along and grab a beer/food at the downstairs bar and come share your geekery and enjoy a relaxed evening of talks + networking + beers at Zero Degrees (9 Bridge St, Reading RG1 2LR).

It is a great opportunity for networking and discussions about technology, business, and advice. The next event will be a talk titled “The Green Park wind turbine, 20 Years on” by Ian Gough, Reduce Energy Ltd. Everyone is welcome. For details visit their [website](#) and [Social Tech meetup](#).

### Talk on Cyber Security Skills - Thursday 27th February 2025; 7:30 – 8:30 pm

The ISC2 Thames Valley Chapter is organising a talk on the topic “Cyber Security Skills Shortage, Skills Gap, Results and Solution Strategies” by Zach Anucha. The event is open to all - members and non-members can attend. It is an ONLINE-only event, and it is taking place on Thursday, February 27th, 2025, starting at 7:30 pm GMT and finishing at 8:30 pm GMT. For details visit : [ISC2 Thames Valley Chapter Events - 1 Upcoming Activities and Tickets | Eventbrite](#)

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### Request for Volunteers – BCS Berkshire Members

The BCS Berkshire Branch Committee would like to request volunteers from our members to support our school outreach programmes on the following dates and venues:

- 11 Mar25 - Bulmershe School, Reading;
- 24 Mar 2025 - SATRO STEMFEST, Cobham, Surrey
- 25 Apr 2025 - TeenTech, Roehampton University
- 9 July 2025 - Garth Hill School, Bracknell.

If you would like to help at any of these events, please get in touch with Chris Todd-Davies, BCS Berkshire STEM coordinator - [chris@todd-davies.co.uk](mailto:chris@todd-davies.co.uk).

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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>



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