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BCS Berkshire Branch Newsletter	**September 2018**

Welcome

Welcome to the BCS Berkshire branch newsletter for September 2018. The following are events happening over the next few months. They are also on our web site.

Forthcoming events

Reading Geek Night, Tuesday 11th September 2018, 19:30 - 21:30
The Walkabout: Wiston Terrace (off Friar Street), Reading, RG1 1DG.

A friendly and welcoming community for enthusiasts. We meet 2nd Tuesday of the month. Come and listen to talks and meet new people over beer. There is also an opportunity for any short announcements etc.

Check out the Reading Geek Night website for details of the program for the day - https://rdggeeknight.wordpress.com/ or tweet: @RDGGeekNight

Talk on The Ethics of IT and AI; and AGM 2018, Thursday 13th September 2018, 18:30-21:00
Thames Valley Science Park Conference, Gateway Building, Shinfield, Reading, RG2 9LH.

BCS President Chris Rees will speak on "The Ethics of IT and Artificial Intelligence". The talk will be preceded by BCS Berkshire's AGM 2018. The doors will open at 6.30pm for networking and refreshments; followed by our AGM at 7pm.
The talk will begin at 7:30pm. For full details and booking, visit our web page http://www.bcs.org/category/14633.

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Best Practices in Collaboration, Thursday 11th October 2018, 18:30 - 21:00
Oracle Customer Visit Centre, Building 510, Oracle Parkway, TVP, Reading, RG6 1RA.

BCS ELITE and the Institute of Directors are holding the latest of their biennial unconferences at the Oracle Customer Visit Centre. Jacqui Hogan from the BCS and Rod Willis from Assentire Ltd will speak on Best Practices in Collaboration, and we shall learn from each other. Jacqui and Rod are experts in collaboration and teamwork and have published on the subject. The doors will open at 6.30pm for networking and refreshments. The talk will begin at 7pm. For full details and booking, visit: https://www.bcs.org/category/14633. Oracle requests that delegates book before 1 October to assist with badges and catering. Bookings will close on 8 October.

Volunteering

Volunteers Needed in West Berkshire– Ability Net

Our volunteers provide free technology support to older people and disabled people of all ages. We are looking for people in West Berkshire to join our nationwide team of volunteers who offer free technology help and support over the phone and in people's homes.
As one of our volunteers, you can...
• use your IT skills to help change the lives of older people and disabled people of all ages
• have the opportunity to become a Digital Champion and gain industry recognised training
• benefit from regular training and technology updates
• network with a nationwide team of other IT volunteers
• plan your volunteering time around your home life and other commitments.
Find out how you can get involved today: https://www.abilitynet.org.uk/support-us/join-our-volunteers

Other IT Events around Berkshire

ConnectTVT - Connecting Thames Valley Tech is a Reading-based platform bringing together the Thames Valley's fast-growing entrepreneurial ecosystem, tech and digital economy, in Reading. Check out some interesting upcoming events on their website - https://www.connecttvt.co.uk/events

For science, engineering and technology events see the Institution for Engineers & Technology events diary at https://communities.theiet.org/communities/events/258 .

Coming Autumn Talks

We are also planning some events such as cybernetics, professional development in the coming months, in conjunction with the BCS Learning and Development Specialist Group and other associations. Watch this space!

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