# SUSS-EX CLUB

# **NEWSLETTER No. 25, January 2013**

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Here are the latest suggestions for Suss-Ex theatre trips.

The first play is Agatha Christie's *The Mousetrap*, from April 15<sup>th</sup>, on its diamond anniversary tour. I am told that seats are filling rapidly; either I am, surprisingly, not the only person over 40 who has never seen it, or those who have seen it think it's worth going again. What better endorsement can one ask for? The ticket price is for us £23.50 for evenings, £16 for Thurs. and £23.50 for Sat. matinées.

The second possibility is *The Misanthrope*, from April 30<sup>th</sup>; this is the Roger McGough version of Molière, described by the *Observer* critic as `anarchic, irreverent and hysterically funny – flawless'. The ticket price will be £21 for

evenings, £16 for Thurs. and £21 for Sat. matinées.

As usual, a trip will only be organised if enough people (at least 10) sign up for one date for us to get the group reduction. Dinner together beforehand (or after if for a matinee) will be booked for those who want it. A booking needs to be made promptly to ensure that tickets are available. If you are interested, please let Jennifer Platt know **by Feb. 17**<sup>th</sup> (preferably by e mail to j.platt@sussex.ac.uk - or phone 01273 555025, internal mail on campus to Friston Building [no longer Freeman Centre], or post to 98 Beaconsfield Villas, Brighton BN1 6HE). Please use the slips at the end of this Newsletter: just mark all days/times when you are free, numbering them in order of preference, and indicate the number of tickets wanted and whether you would like to join a group for dinner. You will be notified of the outcome very soon after Feb. 17th.



To help you through the bracing days of early March, Suss-Ex offers a Wine Tasting on the theme *Southern Italy: local grapes and growers, a guide to the too many available.* 

Our host will be Professor James Hirschfeld, founder and Chair of the Sussex Wine Appreciation Society. He will present four red and four white wines, all from southern Italy including, potentially, Sicily and Sardinia. Light food will be provided.

Date and time: Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2013. 6 pm – 7.30 pm. Venue: Sussex University, Pevensey Building, Room 5C11. From the North-South Road, enter Pevensey II by the revolving door, and follow signs to level 5, corridor C. Carpark 1 (the Science Carpark) is nearby. Campus parking is free from 5pm.

Cost: **£10** per person, payable by **Friday 1**<sup>st</sup> **March**. All are welcome, but numbers are limited, so don't delay, sign up today!

Organised for Suss-Ex by Charles Goldie (<u>C.M.Goldie@sussex.ac.uk</u>, phone 07876 565395), who will be happy to answer any queries.

Please print and complete the form at the end of this Newsletter and return with a cheque or credit/debit card details to Jackie Fuller, 21 Pelham Square, Brighton BN1 4ET, OR if you are paying by card, the form and card details may be returned by email to <u>jkfuller21@hotmail.com</u>.

## **Recent events**

- 6 November Visit to *The Judas kiss* at the Theatre Royal.
- 11 November Visit to *The Price* at the New Venture Theatre.
- 11 December Christmas party, jointly with USPAS.

### Future programme

The Suss-Ex steering group is hoping to offer several events later in 2013. A croquet afternoon at Southwick, a visit to the Amex stadium, cheese tasting, and a Bremf concert, are all possibles – details will be announced in the next Newsletter.

# Obituary

#### May Eppel 1920-2012

May Eppel, who joined the university in 1965, was a founder member of what later became the Developmental Psychology degree in the School of Cultural and Community Studies. She was appointed at the same time as her husband Emanuel, universally known as Manny, who became the first Principal of Continuing Education. The pair had previously jointly produced *Adolescence and Morality; a Study of some Moral Values and Dilemmas of Working Adolescents in the Context of a Changing Climate of Opinion* (Routledge, 1966). May's share of this book derived from research conducted while successfully working for her Ph.D. On the degree course May taught *Human Growth and Development* 1 and 2, the first concentrating on infant development within a broadly Piagetian framework and the second studying adolescence. She also taught in various School courses, including *Images of Childhood*. Unfailingly friendly and positive, she could also give as good as she got in school meetings, particularly when it came to arguments over whether the Developmental Psychology course should change in order to gain recognition from the British Psychological Society (recognition duly came, after minimum change, so enabling interested students to go on to further professional training). Always hospitable, entertaining colleagues to excellent dinners in her Brighton home, May identified strongly with the multi-disciplinary ethos of the School from which she eventually retired in 1982. Happily married to the ebullient Manny, and both proud of their devoted son, she was a good friend and a pleasure to work with.

Nicholas Tucker. Senior Lecturer in Cultural and Community Studies, 1969-2000

# Miscellaneous

- Call for news of publications and other academic activities. One objective of Suss-Ex is to compile a record of academic activities (broadly interpreted) by retired staff. This is a call for items relating to 2012; a list will be published in a later issue of the Newsletter. Please send items for inclusion to Jennifer Platt (contact details with Theatre Royal visits).
- Emeritus readerships Charles Goldie reports that "emeritus readerships" were restored when senate recently passed the new regulations concerning emeritus status that he had drafted for Pro-VC Marlin. In addition, progression of professors and readers to emeritus status is no longer discretionary: it will follow automatically when heads of schools sign the relevant papers.
- The Suss-Ex website. More information about Suss-Ex is available on its webpage at <a href="http://www.sussex.ac.uk/suss-ex/">http://www.sussex.ac.uk/suss-ex/</a>. 'Suss-Ex Club' in Google will get you there, as will <a href="http://tiny.cc/sussex">http://tiny.cc/sussex</a>, or you can find us in the A–Z on the University's homepage. The website has copies of past Newsletters, and also provides a list of obituaries of deceased colleagues.

The University's e-Bulletin. Alison Field writes: 'I gather that former staff who are members of Suss-Ex might like to receive the e-Bulletin, which we have been publishing since early September. We publish it weekly online and send it as an e-newsletter to all current staff. So the stories in each enewsletter link through to the <u>online version of the *Bulletin*</u>, where it can be read by any staff member, student or friend of the University. Any former staff who would like to be added to the distribution list for the e-newsletter just need to email <u>internalcomms@sussex.ac.uk</u>'

Suss-Ex activities are organised by a steering committee, which currently comprises:

Gordon Conway, Chair <u>G.Conway@imperial.ac.uk</u> Robert Benewick <u>r.j.benewick@sussex.ac.uk</u> Sue Bullock <u>sue.bullock@hotmail.co.uk</u> Jackie Fuller jkfuller21@hotmail.com Charles Goldie <u>c.m.goldie@sussex.ac.uk</u>

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We are always seeking ideas for social occasions when we can meet former colleagues. Please let us have your suggestions or volunteer to join the committee. We meet once a term, when practicable immediately before a Suss-Ex event.





#### Please be sure to submit the form to Jennifer Platt by Feb. 17th.

The Mousetrap	Mon. April	Tues April	Weds. April	Thurs. Apr.	Thurs. Apr.	Sat. April 20,
	15, 7.45	16, 7.45	17, 7.45	18, 2.30	18, 7.45	2.30
Date & time						
OK?						
Preference?						
How many?						
Dinner?						

The Misanthrope	Tues April	Weds. May	Thurs. May	Thurs. May	Sat. May 4,
	30, 7.45	1, 7.45	2, 2.30	2, 7.45	2.30.
Date & time					
OK?					
Preference?					
How many?					
Dinner?					

Name: .....

Email and/or postal address if you do not have email:

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#### Wine tasting booking form

#### SUSS-EX WINE TASTING

Hosted by Professor James Hirschfeld, in Pevensey III, room 5C11

Southern Italy: local grapes and growers, a guide to the too many available

6.00 - 7.30pm, Friday 8th March 2013

The cost is **£10** per person, to include light refreshments. All are welcome, though numbers are limited. The closing date is **Friday 1**<sup>st</sup> **March 2013**.

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Suss-Ex Wine Tasting: 8th March 2013

Booking Details (to be returned not later than 1<sup>st</sup> March)) Name(s) ..... Address ..... For card payments, must be home address, where card registered. Telephone ..... Email address ..... Please book ...... place/s at £10 each Total £ ..... I enclose a cheque for £..... (payable to University of Sussex) Please charge my debit/credit/Maestro card with £..... Card Type (Visa, Mastercard, Maestro etc) ..... Card number Valid from......to......to...... Maestro issue number ...... Security Code......(last 3 numbers on signature strip on reverse of card) Name on card..... Signed.....