

## SUSS-EX CLUB STEERING GROUP

### Minutes of the 28th meeting

Friday 4th October 2013 at 5.15pm in DARO Meeting Room

1. **Minutes**  
Steve Pavey (**SP**) agreed to take the Minutes and prepare the agenda for the next meeting. Agreed Action Points for members are in **bold**
2. **Members present**  
Gordon Conway (**GRC**) (chair), Jackie Fuller (**JKF**), Charles Goldie (**CMG**), Arnold Goldman (**AMG**), Jennifer Platt (**JP**), Adrian Peasgood (**AP**), David Smith (**DS**), Ken Wheeler (**KW**)
3. **Apologies for Absence** were received from Sue Bullock, who was unwell.
4. **Minutes of the 27th meeting held on Friday 28 June 2013.**  
The Minutes were agreed.
5. **Matters arising not mentioned elsewhere:** none.
6. **Reports:**
  - a) Pitmen Painters: a good visit
  - b) The Misanthrope: reasonable numbers in the group and a successful theatre visit
  - c) Croquet at Sussex County Croquet Club, Southwick: about 20 people at the event, which was an enjoyable and interesting occasion
  - d) AMEX stadium: some 40 people attended and it was noted that the event attracted members from a wider audience than we normally see. Perhaps we should think about more sporting events to complement our usual cultural/educational ones?
7. **Finances:** **JKF** circulated a financial statement, which showed the financial performance of Suss-Ex events from August 2012 – July 2013 (further copies available direct from **JKF**). We covered our costs on the events, and have been able to start the 2013/14 season with a brought forward credit balance of £485. Thanks to Jackie for keeping us in the black!
8. **Future Programme**
  - a) BREMF “Profane Deliriums” 9<sup>th</sup> November
  - b) Christmas Party Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December. **GRC** will say a few words of welcome on behalf of Suss-Ex. SDB will organise volunteers as required. Cost is £7 per person.
  - c) Cheese tasting in February 2014. We considered two options: La Cave au Fromage, or Say Cheese of Sussex. After discussion it was **agreed** that we would opt for Say Cheese and hold the event on campus. La Cave (at £25 per head) was too expensive and had to be held on their premises in Hove.  
  
Say Cheese can put on a tasting where we can charge £9 per head and will come to campus. The company previously had shops in Herstmonceux and Lewes, but now operates on a ‘pop-up’ basis at markets and fairs.  
  
**JKF** and **CMG** will liaise over dates (*now fixed for 21<sup>st</sup> February at 6.30pm*)
9. **Possibilities for Future Events**

- a) **Attenborough Centre visit.** **SP** to follow up.
  - b) **Goodwood House day out.**
  - c) **Sussex County Cricket Club** (tour and/or match?) **DS** to follow up.
  - d) **Royal Pavilion (private tour).** **SP** to follow up (*I have now confirmed that Alexandra Loske would be happy to host a group for us. Alexandra is doing a D Phil in Art History at Sussex and at the Royal Pavilion, and she is also an official Pavilion tour guide. She lectures regularly at U3A and WI events and has appeared on TV programmes about the Regency period.*)
  - e) **The Keep.** Opens to the public in November and will probably be offering tours.
  - f) **Ridgeview Vineyard, Ditchling.** **SP** reported that he had previously been on a very enjoyable tour of the vineyard with another group, and that it could make an ideal summer outing.
  - g) **Brighton & Hove Buses** run a 'days out' programme. **SP** reported on an enjoyable trip to Danson House and Downe House (*and subsequently to the Imperial War Museum*)
10. **Meeting with the Registrar:** **CMG** and **SP** are endeavouring to arrange the regular annual update meeting with John Duffy on behalf of Suss-Ex. They will continue to pursue this.
11. **Newsletter:** **AP** will edit and will include the invitation to the Christmas party.
12. **Steering Group membership.** It was **agreed** that **GRC** would mention in his talk at the Christmas Party that we are seeking additional members for the Group. Some possible names were mentioned.
13. **Any Other Business** – none.
14. **Date of next meeting**  
The next meeting of the Steering Group was agreed for 5.15pm on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2014 (to be held in *Pevensey 5C11*).

<b>Recent minutes (and succeeding agenda)</b>		<b>Recent Newsletter editors</b>	
Apr 2010	Arnold Goldman	May 2010	Jennifer Platt
Nov 2010	Charles Goldie	Nov 2010	Adrian Peasgood
Jan 2011	Adrian Peasgood	Feb 2011	Jennifer Platt/Charles Goldie
May 2011	Arnold Goldman (minutes only)	May 2011	David Smith
Nov 2011	Arnold Goldman	Nov 2011	David Smith
Jan 2012	Adrian Peasgood	Feb 2012	David Smith
Apr 2012	undone	May 2012	Jennifer Platt
Sep 2012	Charles Goldie	Oct 2012	Adrian Peasgood
Nov 2012	Ken Wheeler	Jan 2013	Adrian Peasgood
Mar 2013	Arnold Goldman	May 2013	David Smith
Jun 2013	Jennifer Platt	Jun 2013	DS, CMG, JP
Oct 2013	Steve Pavey	Nov 2013	Adrian Peasgood