The University of Sussex came in the top 15 universities in the Universities Funding Council’s new research quality ratings, published in August. The ratings were prepared by 60 specialist committees set up by the former University Grants Committee. Below, Professor Fred Bayley, the Senior Pro-Vice-Chancellor, comments on the results and gives a personal view of the way things may develop.

A request by the UGC for reports from all universities on their research activities with the object of producing a ‘research rating’ concentrates minds wonderfully. It certainly did in 1985-86 at the previous exercise and even more so this year with the funding implications of the recently published results. Speaking for this University, on both occasions the cliché, ‘better than we feared, not so good as we hoped’ seemed appropriate, but this note offers a few words in amplification of the observation.

To deal first with the overall university picture from the current report: this is represented — I think, rather graphically and perhaps not as expected — by Figure 1. The UFC used a scale of 1 to 5, with 5 the highest rating corresponding to a centre of excellence with international standing and 1 the lowest. The figure shows a barchart of the average ratings of 55 of the 56 institutions considered. One, a small London college, has been excluded because its size and objectives make the number of little significance.

Scientific objectivity requires me to draw your attention to the non-linear abscissa of the figure, in which the range 3 - 4 has been subdivided into three rather than two elsewhere. The purpose of this scheme was to show as far as possible where fall the 15 or so research institutions which received wisdom seems to suggest is about the number our society could and should support. You will observe that there are 14 institutions in the four highest categories which perhaps can believe that the research funding component of their block grant will for the immediate future be at least at the present level. Sussex is in the fourth of these.

My categorisation procedure for the chart has made very apparent the skewing of the distribution towards the regions of lower research standing. And while there are certainly errors of judgement and grading within the exercise, it is likely that

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Figure 1 — Distribution of universities' research gradings

DEATHS

We announce with great regret the following deaths which occurred during the vacation:

LORD TRAFFORD

The University's former Chairman of Council, Lord Trafford, died on 16th September after a short illness. He was involved with the University for many years, culminating in his appointment as Chairman of Council from 1985 until his appointment as Minister of Health this summer. He was a dedicated man of medicine, being a consultant at the Royal Sussex County Hospital, in charge of the renal unit. He was MP for The Wrekin from 1970 to 1974 and was made a Life Peer in 1987.

Registrar and Secretary, Dr. Geoffrey Lockwood, commented: "The successful adaptation of the University to the changed environment of current times has been largely Lord Trafford's achievement, both through his direct role in its management and through his choice and support of other principal University officers."

PROFESSOR GERALD DRAPER

Emeritus Professor Colonel Gerald Draper, Professor of Law at Sussex from 1976 until his retirement in 1979, died on 3rd July, aged 75. A member of the British prosecuting team at the Nuremberg trials of major war criminals, he became a widely-respected specialist in international and military law, as well as industrial law.

Lord Elwyn-Jones commented: "His commitment to the strengthening of human rights law in the international field was not simply intellectual: it evolved out of his considerable experience after the war in investigating Nazi war crimes and in bringing their perpetrators to trial. He was one of the first British officers to go into the Belsen camp." These experiences did serious damage to Gerald Draper's health and physically incapacitated him for the rest of his life.

DR. KATHLEEN BLISS

Dr. Bliss, one of the founding Lecturers in Religious Studies at Sussex, died on 13th September, aged 81. She was at Sussex from 1967 to 1972. A pioneer of the ecumenical movement, she was one of the most influential women in the formative period of the World Council of Churches.

LORD OLIVIER

We also regret the death of honorary graduate Lord Olivier on 11th July. Lord Olivier, who lived in Sussex, was awarded an Hon. D Lit. by the University in July 1978.
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the overall picture to emerge is not too far wrong — it is certainly consistent with my own, admittedly specialist to engineering, experience. It also seems to me to justify the UGC/UFC in questioning the merits and demerits of a common-to-all research element in the block grant.

To turn to the individual position of Sussex in the outcome of the exercise: as I have indicated, our average score puts us into the fourth of the categories used in this chart. To return to the clichés of my preamble, the fear that we might have done worse was I believe justified in that the earlier 1985 review was a salutary experience to many institutions who as a consequence worked hard to augment their research income. As one of those near the top of the league table of such activities the probability of losing was inevitably higher than gaining, especially to the bigger institutions with a wider spread and scale of activity. Thus maintaining our position in the 'first fifteen' was encouraging.

On the other hand, although in the event the membership of the top echelon changed little, we slipped six places within it and now have a number of reputable institutions breathing hard on our heels for their place in the first XV. I believe that, although we have no rights in this, our traditions and record should qualify us for a place comfortably in the third of my groupings with an average nearer 4 than 3.

Can we be confident of this? Figure 2 I believe offers us encouragement, despite showing some of our problems as well as recent achievements. First, contrary to belief in some quarters, this University's research expenditure as a proportion of its total has increased steadily since the last UGC review from a fraction under 20 per cent to nearly 22.5, an absolute increase in monetary terms of nearly 40 per cent and over 16 per cent in real terms.

A major problem highlighted by the figure is the decline in income from the research councils, from over 11.5 to under 10 per cent. This is a reflection of the well publicised pressures on total research council funding as well as the competition implied by the earlier remarks about the salutary effects on some institutions of the earlier review. These conditions had from my own experience some odd policy consequences which did not help Sussex. Although we shall have to accept the greater competition for research council funding there is some encouragement under this heading in an apparent stabilising at most recent levels of income from this source.

Turning now to industrial support: historically this has been in most institutions unreasonably low and for Sussex was under 10 per cent of research income in 1985-86. This reflects, I firmly believe, an attitude towards research by large parts of British industry, which is encouraged by our capital market system to see longer-term research as a largely unproductive investment and mainly the responsibility of the state.

Rather than dwell at length on this controversial topic I would observe that recent trends are encouraging, both as shown by the figure and from enquiries I made to get the most recent picture around the University. Professor Townsend's £1 million grant for his ion implantation in Physics was from Italian industry, which perhaps does not help my point, although a £0.5 million grant from BP to Dr. Clark in the same subject does. Three recent grants totally two-thirds of a million pounds to Electrical and Mechanical Engineering from ICI, Fairey Engineering and Rolls Royce, and comparable grants from BP, ICI and Unilever in Chemistry, also sug-

Figure 2: University of Sussex research income

gist that perhaps the tide is turning in industrial attitudes to, at least, university research.

Generally, I am optimistic and confident that the University of Sussex can hold its place in the small band of research-based academic institutions, and nearer the score of 4 on the present gradings. My recent enquiries showed also substantial large, new research council grants in all Schools, especially Biology and Chemistry, to add to industrial income, and in the latter half of the period reviewed by UGC/UFC our performance would certainly have earned a rating nearer to my hopes than we achieved.

In the longer run I have doubts about whether we can get above 4 and into the top two categories. This requires a substantial number of individual 5 ratings, which in the main go to the larger institutions (Imperial College, for example, has more professors than we have total academic staff in engineering). But these may be the doubts of one who is approaching the end of a research career: my earnest hope is that my younger colleagues will prove me wrong?

PROMOTIONS TO PROFESSORSHIPS

Five members of faculty were promoted to professorships at the Summer Term meeting of the Senate and Council. Dr. John Barrow (Astronomy), Dr. Norman Dombey (Theoretical Physics), Dr. Marcia Pointon (History of Art), Dr. Peter Townsend (Experimental Physics) and Dr. Rupert Wilkinson (American Studies) became professors on 1st October.

FULBRIGHT AWARD WINNERS AT SUSSEX

Two of this year's 34 graduate students from the United States to hold Fulbright Awards for study in the UK are coming to Sussex. They are Todd Flynn of Harvard University, who will be studying Science Policy, and Brian Keeley of South Alabama, who will be studying Cognitive Science.

A Fulbright Administrative Fellow is also working at Sussex this term. Timm Rinckard from Massachusetts is based in the Admissions Office in Sussex House.

BEGINNING OF SESSION SERVICE

The Beginning of Session Service will take place on Wednesday, 15th October, at 6.00 pm in the Meeting House Chapel. The preacher will be Brother Michael, CGA, Bishop of Jarrow and former Anglican Chaplain at Sussex.

The service will be followed by a wine and cheese party on the Lower Floor of the Meeting House.
VICE-PRESIDENT OF BRITISH ACADEMY
Professor Margaret Boden has been appointed Vice-President of the British Academy. There are two Vice-Presidents, each serving for two years.

CHAIRMANSHIP OF COUNCIL
At a special meeting of the University Council on 29th September, Sir Lindsay Bryson, Vice-Chairman, was appointed to the chairmanship of the Council, in succession to the late Lord Trafford. Sir Lindsay will serve until 31st July 1990.

NEW CHAPLAINS
The new University Chaplain (above) is the Rev. Gavin Ashenden (Anglican). He comes to Sussex from parish work in Sanderstead where he has been Vicar of St. Antony's in the Sanderstead team.

A new Roman Catholic Associate Chaplain has also joined the Chaplaincy. Fr. Raglan (Rags) Hay-Will (below) was previously Assistant Parish Priest at the Church of the Sacred Heart in Hove.

FAREWELLS
John Cruickshank (left), founding Professor of French, pictured receiving from the Vice-Chancellor the festschrift prepared for him by colleagues and friends to mark his retirement last month after 27 years at Sussex. Professor Cruickshank, a scholar of international renown, is the author of influential studies of Camus and Pascal, and the general editor of the six-volume French Literature and its Background, a vast interdisciplinary exercise in which he coordinates the contributions of more than 30 scholars from Sussex and beyond.

Amongst others who left at the end of September were some staff members who had also worked at Sussex for more than 20 years and who had given great service to the University. They included: Mr. C. Beare, Mr. R. Brown, Dr. J. Chapman, Dr. J.R. Ellis, Dr. P.R. Mayo, Dr. J.M. Owen, Dr. D.W. Palmer, Dr. J. Rosselli, Professor N. Symonds, Mr. J. Warton, Dr. D. Wood and Dr. C.S. Yeo.

CHANGES IN THE LIBRARY
What's new
Self-service photocopiers now operated by cash cards (on sale in the Library), not coins.

A new ground floor service point, the South counter — for assistance with British and European official publications, other former Documents Section stock, audiovisual materials, stored collections (including theses), assistance with photocopiers and microfilm readers, reception of manuscripts, users and visitors to the Mass-Observation archive.

A supervised reading area for manuscripts and rare books.

Complete refurbishment of the Basement Snack Bar (an initiative of Catering Services, who remain responsible for the area).

Comprehensive wall directories in the ground floor concourse, and new associated signs throughout the building.

Access for disabled users at ground floor level: a path past ISS leads to a door in the North wall of the Library.

What's moved
Current periodicals display and new book acquisitions — to the first floor.

Documents/AV — to the ground floor.
Class A — to the first floor.
Class B — to the second floor.
Class G — to the ground floor.
Class Y — to the ground floor.
Mass-Observation Archive — to the ground floor.

British Museum/British Library catalogs, and other major bibliographies — to the first floor.

Within the ground floor there are new locations for Class Z, prospectuses, atlases, microfiche, reference works, ordnance survey maps, microfilm readers and newspapers on microfilm.

Within the first floor classes Q-V have moved northwards.

... and why
Concentration of staff intensive services on the ground floor helps to minimise the effect of recent (and expected future) reductions in Library faculty numbers.

Redevelopment of the second floor — to be completed next summer — creates capacity for the expansion of Law stock associated with the planned growth of Law at Sussex.

Provision of improved signs saves users' time and reduces the number of directional enquiries handled by staff, releasing them for other work.
SUMMER GRADUATION CEREMONY

Among those to receive honorary degrees at the Summer Graduation Ceremony were former Labour government minister, Denis Healey, MP, and Lord Carrington, former Tory minister and Secretary-General of Nato. They are pictured here after the ceremony at the Brighton Centre on 11th July.

Honorary degrees were also awarded to Professor Christopher Longuet-Higgins, FRS, and Professor Christopher Freeman, after distinguished careers at Sussex.

From further afield, Dr. Peter Sculthorpe, one of Australia’s foremost composers, and Dr. Alfred Bader, whose own company has become a major supplier of organic chemicals to university laboratories world-wide, also received honorary degrees. In addition, Lady Soames, who won the 1979 Wolfson Prize for History for her biography of her mother, Clementine Churchill, was also honoured. Lady Soames replied on behalf of the honorary graduates, at the conclusion of the ceremony. She said:

“...My Lord and Chancellor, to me has fallen — or rather — has been firmly designated by my friend the Vice-Chancellor — the task of expressing to you and to the University of Sussex the gratitude and appreciation of the graduates upon whom you have conferred Honorary Degrees today — and in whose highly distinguished company, I (to my delight and astonishment) find myself included.

In selecting us for this signal honour, you have cast your net both near and far: as near as Sussex neighbours, and as far as Australia (taking in Yorkshire on the way). You have acknowledged a wide spectrum of human activity, intellect, and points of view: politics and statecraft; music and writing; diplomacy, and torchbearers of the sciences. Nearly all of us have some links with Sussex, and three of today’s Honorary Graduates are in a special sense “your own”.

I know I speak for all my companions-in-honour today in saying how proud and gratified we are to receive such distinction from a University which — although young still in years — has in a little less than three decades firmly established itself, and bears its own stamp and character.

Part of the University’s personality surely derives from its surroundings — this is probably true of all such institutions. But not here “dreaming spires”. While rather down the road cavort exotic and fantastical domes and minarets, your strength and confidence must surely be drawn from those ‘blunt bow-headed whale-backed Downs’ which brood over your campus; and your wide outlook is inspired by the brimming sea which invites you on and on to ever further horizons of the mind.

And talking of horizons — may I here inject a personal note — I particularly value receiving such an honour from a University which from its earliest years has looked outward, and has always strongly promoted the European dimension in its studies and indeed its life.

As a young woman — recently demobilised from the army in 1946 — I was present when my father Winston Churchill, in an address to the students of Zurich University, made his clarion call for a shattered Europe to ARISE. He then pointed the way forward. Soon afterwards, I married a man who in his political career devoted the cream of his heart and mind to the task of making a European Community a working reality; so Europe has always been a goal for me.

Today we have all witnessed 725 graduates of Sussex University receive their degrees. May we, who have been granted ours ‘honoris causa’, join in warmly congratulating all of you who through the sweat of your own brows and the ink of your own biros have indeed earned your graduation scrolls.

May we all also pay tribute to your families, so many of whom are here today to rejoice with justifiable pride in your success. They have surely been for you a strong support and help both in practical ways and also in being the boosters of spirit in the inevitable if spasmodic ‘downs’ of the last few years of your toilings. They too now have their reward.

We join in wishing you all the best of good fortune — wherever your paths may lead you.

My Lord and Chancellor — once more on behalf of my fellow Honorary Graduates may I thank you and the University of Sussex for the honour you have done us, which we greatly value.”
CELL MUTATION UNIT WINS EUROPEAN AWARDS

The campus-based MRC Cell Mutation Unit, which conducts research into the mechanism of action of cancer-causing agents, has this year been awarded three new European Community contracts, with Dr Alan Lehmann as project leader. These, in addition to two further contracts (project leaders, Professor Bryn Bridges and Dr Colin Ashlett), which have now been held for several years, have generated a total income of £500,000.

The first of the new contracts is a collaboration with a Dutch laboratory in Leiden for the development of a method for measuring the exposure of humans to mutagenic chemicals (Population Monitoring programme). This work involves identifying the precise changes in the DNA of genetically altered (mutated) white blood cells.

For the second contract (Stimulation programme) the combined expertise of the Unit and of an Italian laboratory in Pavia will be used in a detailed study, at the molecular and cellular levels, of the defects in two genetic diseases, Cockayne's syndrome and trichothiodystrophy. These belong to a group of rare hereditary diseases whose diagnostic symptoms are caused by an inability of cells in the patients to repair damage produced in their DNA by cancer-causing agents.

Research into DNA repair processes, which occur in the cells of

In recognition of the Unit's international reputation in this area of study, it has been awarded £150,000 to manage a Concerted Action on DNA Repair and Cancer involving 35 European laboratories. This programme provides funds for improving collaborations between European laboratories working in this field, by means of conferences, specialised workshops and exchanges of researchers between the different laboratories.

A contract for a collaborative project with four Dutch laboratories has been held by the Unit since 1973. This contract (Radiation Protection programme) is to study the effects of radiation on cells and on DNA molecules, and to relate this to variations in radiation sensitivity in the human population. This work has important implications for radiation protection and radiotherapy.

Since 1982 a project has also been funded (Environmental Hazards programme) for the development of systems to measure and understand the mutagenic effects of environmental chemicals. These European contracts have provided an essential supplement to the Unit's core funding from the MRC, they have established effective collaborations with excellent European laboratories, and they have helped to increase the international standing of the Unit.

IDS IN PROJECT TO HELP DROUGHT-STRICKEN E. AFRICA

A major contract for a study and policy plan to combat the long-term problems of hunger and drought in the Horn of Africa has been won by a consortium of British research institutes, led by the Institute of Development Studies at Sussex. The two other cooperating institutions are the Development Administration Group at Birmingham University and the Food Studies Group at Oxford University.

The work has been commissioned by the European Community on behalf of the Intergovernmental Authority on Drought and Development (IGADD). This organisation was founded in 1986 by the governments of six East African countries — Djibouti, Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia, the Sudan and Uganda — in the wake of the recurring severe droughts of the previous decade. IGADD's purpose, and the thrust of the project, is to work with the national governments to improve development policies and strengthen food security.

The 12-month project, which begins this autumn, will confront the difficult questions of organisation, politics, resource management and the building of a regional strategy which are essential for tackling the problems of hunger and food security in the long term. Work at this level complements the emergency relief provided by international agencies and voluntary organisation. The study will ask, for example, how the relevant planning institutions in the six countries can genuinely be strengthened, how regional food production and distribution initiatives can realistically be encouraged, and how cross-border trade can be promoted.

The total value of the contract is £200,000 ECU (some £350,000). Work in the field will be led by Mike Hubbard, a lecturer at Birmingham University. Local consultants from the IGADD countries will also be involved.

Winning this contract presents the three research institutes with a major challenge. Simon Maxwell of IDS, the project manager, points out that the six IGADD countries between them account for over a quarter of the entire population of sub-Saharan Africa. Average per capita income in the six countries is less than £150 a year and at least 35 million people regularly go hungry.

"Our job," he said, "is to help find ways of increasing food production, stabilising supplies and making sure poor people have access to the food they need. We don't underestimate the problems posed by drought, war and underdevelopment. But we are committed to helping African governments find new solutions to their food problems and excited about the potential of this collaborative venture in action-research."

"LET US ASSUME WE HAVE A CAN OPENER"

After Band Aid and Comic Relief, now Research Assistance. The Institute of Development Studies is to publish a book, provisionally entitled Let us assume we have a can opener, being a collection of jokes, poems and anecdotes about the development profession. All proceeds will go to third world charities. Send your contributions to Research Assistance, IDS.
NEWS FROM THE GARDNER CENTRE

ALL CHANGE!

You may notice some changes at the Gardner Centre as it launches its Autumn season. New roof, new logo, new-style brochure and now accepting credit card bookings. The new-look Centre brings you a tightly packed programme of the best of exciting British and international art.

For dance enthusiasts Extemporary Dance Theatre is Up To Something on tonight (10th October) and tomorrow in their new show which looks at the power games people play. At the end of the month (27th and 28th October) there is a unique chance to see the electrifying and brilliant French company Cré'Ange in a totally engaging mixture of slapstick humour, high energy dance and breathtaking technique.

With eight husbands under her belt Elizabeth Taylor could be said to be an expert on men. So, if she says "he's the funniest man in the world", who can argue? Find out for yourselves on 13th October when the inimitable Frankie Howerd comes Up The Gardener with his one-man show.

No autumn season would be complete without something from the Bard. Odyssey Theatre Company bring you a Macbeth of the senses, ravishing the eyes, ears and emotions (17th - 21st October). The company spent six weeks on the Indonesian island of Bali living and working with temple dancers, musicians, mask makers and designers to create a production using lavish costumes, brilliant colours, pounding percussion, masks and movement. Dick McCaw, the producer, will be giving a free talk on the historical background and superstitions surrounding "The Scottish Play" on 19th October at 1pm.

In a rich month for drama the Centre also sees a return visit by the unforgettable mask theatre company Trestle on 24th October with their Edinburgh hit Top Storey. 31st October - 2nd November sees Not The National Theatre in Pinter's The Caretaker. Arguably Pinter's finest and most famous play, this is an opportunity to see a direct, clear and honest interpretation of a play performed by the ex-National Theatre actors. In addition the University's very own rising star Craig Vaughan presents his new play The Confession with four lunchtime performances from today until Friday at 12.30 pm in the studio gallery. Craig, 29, is engaged in post-doctoral research at Sussex where he has worked for six years. This, his sixth play, is a tragicomedy examining the nature of guilt and innocence.

Another "risen" star within our midst is Professor Harvey

Professor Jonathan Harvey, 50 this year. He is honoured in a special celebratory concert on 25th October. The result of a close collaboration between Professor Harvey, Head of Music at Sussex, the Gardner Centre and the internationally-acclaimed Chilingarian String Quartet, the concert will also feature soprano Jane Manning in a programme of specially-chosen Harvey and Schubert pieces. The concert will be preceded by a talk at 6.30 pm by Professor Harvey.

Also in the theatre for one night only, on 23rd October, is Jalo, the brilliant flamenco group from Seville who packed the Gardner last year. Back again by overwhelming demand, Jalo will stun with their Latin rhythms with guitar, voice and dance.

Three exhibitions have just opened. In the studio and foyer two exhibitions feature the work of those with mental or physical handicap. A Sense Of Self displays photographs made by and with people with disabilities, exploring the theme of self image in a world where fully-abled people often dictate the way we perceive disability. The Foyer will feature art, craft and design from special schools in East Sussex. In the main Gallery It's A Still Life shows work in recent years still life has expanded from modest to often grand works in different media including painting, photography and sculpture.

For details of these and more consult the Box Office on Brighton 685861.

CAMILLA HOWLAND MEMORIAL PRIZE

Helen Davis has been awarded the Camilla Howland memorial prize for achievement in law for 1988-89. This prize, awarded to the first year law student in the School of European Studies who has shown the most effort and progress during the year, is donated by her parents in memory of Camilla Howland, who died following a diving accident at the end of her first year here in 1986. This is the first year that the prize has been awarded. The prize is worth £50 and will be presented at the beginning of the termly School Meeting.

SCHOLARSHIPS, FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

Frank Knox Memorial Fellowships 1990-91

Four fellowships are available for graduates from the UK to spend 1990-91 in one of the Faculties of Harvard. Each fellowship is worth $9,640 plus tuition and health services fees. Completed application forms should be submitted to the Vice-Chancellor's office by 16th October.

Kennedy Fellowships 1990-91

Up to 12 scholarships are offered for postgraduate study at Harvard and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. The scholarships cover tuition and health services fees, travel to and from the USA and an allowance of $10,000 for the year. Completed application forms should be submitted to the Vice-Chancellor's office by 18th October.

Fullbright Fellowships 1990-91

Fullbright/British Council Higher Education Link Awards are offered for approved collaborative projects, including faculty exchange and joint research, between institutions in the USA and UK. Closing date for applications: 31st October.

Fullbright Fellowships for Research Library Staff — for a minimum of 3 months at a library in the USA. Closing date: 31st December.

Fullbright Fellowships for Academic Administrators — to spend a min. of 3 months at a US institution. Closing date: 31st January, 1990.

The Leverhulme Trust

Leverhulme Research Fellowships and Grants — awarded annually to individuals in aid of research. The amount of each award does not usually exceed £7,725. Closing date: normally mid-November in any year.

Leverhulme Emeritus Fellowships — awarded annually to help in the preparation for publication of research already begun by individuals who are about to retire or who have recently retired. Closing date: mid-November.

Leverhulme Study Abroad Studentships — available to graduates for study or research at an institution in Europe or any other part of the world except UK and USA. Closing date: early January.

ACU Administrative & Senior Traveling Fellowships 1990

The maximum value of the Administrative Fellowship is £2,500 and of the Senior Travelling Fellowship, £3,750. Applications should be submitted as soon as possible, through the Vice-Chancellor's office.

Further details of the above awards are available from the Research and Industry Support Unit, Room 201, Sussex House.

Winston Churchill Travelling Fellowships 1990

These are open to all UK citizens. There is no age limit and no special qualifications are required. The average stay overseas is 8 weeks, expenses paid. For further information send s.a.e. to The Winston Churchill Memorial Trust, 15 Queen's Gate Terrace, London, SW7 5PR. Closing date: 23rd October.
LAMBETH DEGREE FOR JOHN BIRCH

John Birch, the University Organist, has been awarded the Lambeth Degree of Doctor of Music in recognition of his services to church, and particularly, cathedral music. The degree was conferred on him by the Archbishop of Canterbury at a ceremony during the summer.

John Birch has been University Organist since 1967. He was Organist and Master of the Choristers of Chichester Cathedral for 22 years and in 1982 became Organist and Director of the Choir of the Temple Church, London. He is also Professor of Organ at the Royal College of Music, Curator of the Royal Albert Hall, and Organist to both the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra and the Royal Choral Society.

CONTEMPORARY MUSIC PROJECT AWARD

Three out of four winners of the Ralph Vaughan Williams Trust Contemporary Music Project Award are Sussex students. They are Mark Richey, John Kefa-Kerr and Andrew Toovey.

SMALL ADS

BRIGHTON (Buses) Silver Band, with a busy contest and concert schedule, urgently seeks trombone, cornet and bass players; players of other brass instruments are also welcome to apply. Contact Stan Lucas, 2 Cottage Homes, High Cross, Albourne, BN6 9JL. Tel. 835107.

FOR SALE: Astar 1040ST plus monitor and mouse. £450 esoo. Brighton 821630 (after 6 pm).

FOR SALE: size 4 girl’s roller boots (v.g.c). £8. Please contact Sally Barnes, int. tel. 3844.

ROOM WANTED during term for 2 nights in week by new member of staff. Robert Lumenly, Euro, tel. 2072. (Home tel. 01-263 5256.)

BRIGHTON CYCLING CAMPAIGN: BRICYCLES is the cyclists pressure group covering Brighton, Hove and District. We work to get safe, useful and attractive cycle facilities throughout area and provide relevant information to bicycle users. Also local rides, weekend jaunts, holidays abroad and other social events (a ride starting from University is planned for 15 Oct.). Further details from Sarah Haybittle, ext. 4103 or Bricycles, Freepost, Brighton, BN1 IZW.

FOR SALE: beautiful baby cockatiels, love birds and kakakakis from £10. Tel. 8232.

ET MAINTENANT pour quelque chose de complément différent. Le Cercle français de Brighton et Hove invite vous à vous rendre à la Cité des Arts pour entendre le célèbre pianiste Édith Piaf te draguer les bagpipe français; de la musique des BBC et des Bés. Venez si vous y êtes. pour informations, tel. Suzanne Hinton on 21794.

On the move . . .

The staff of the Health Centre pictured at the opening of their new building on 28th September. It is situated just north of Kent House, in between Lancaster House and East Slope bar. Opening hours remain as before as well as the internal telephone number of 8132, but there is a new external 'phone number: 0273 679434.

The School of Cognitive and Computing Sciences was also on the move during the summer — it is now located in MAPS.

And the Computing Service is in the process of moving its user areas and reception area to MOL S 1.

INVITATION TO AGM OF REMAP — the engineers’ organisation to help the disabled

REMAP is a national organisation which is part of RADAR — the Royal Association for Disability and Rehabilitation. Disabled people often have special needs which cannot be met by standard equipment; the purpose of REMAP is to adapt standard equipment, or develop new devices, to meet those needs. REMAP works through local panels which provide this service on an individual basis. Adaptations are normally free of charge.

The Brighton and District Panel of REMAP is based at Brighton Polytechnic, with a representative from the University; it is made up of professional engineers supported by occupational therapists and others who are directly concerned with disabled people. Over the past 12 years staff and students at the Polytechnic have done work on a voluntary basis for REMAP. The panel has handled about 400 cases, most of which have been completed successfully.

The Panel invites all interested people to the AGM on Thursday, 19th October at 1900, in the Concours/Bar area of the Cockcroft Building at Brighton Polytechnic, Moulsecoomb.

Following the formal AGM business, the work of a kindred organisation, ECHO (Equipment for Charity Hospitals Overseas), will be described by Mr W A Davies, who led a recent convoy of Range Rovers to the refugee community in Sahara.

Anyone interested in learning more about the work of REMAP should contact Denis Edwards (EAPS, ext 2573), Ron Elkin (Brighton 554457) or Ann Scriven (Brighton 512758).
NOTICEBOARD

VACANCIES

The Personnel Office has issued the following summary of posts to be filled. Advertisements for these vacancies have been placed in local, and where appropriate, national papers, as well as being circulated to the relevant Section Heads and Union representatives for circulation to staff and noticeboards. Copies of these advertisements and further particulars, if available, as well as application forms, are available from the Personnel Office, Room 227, Sussex House. This list was compiled on 2nd October and is subject to revision.

Teaching Faculty
Lecturer in Experimental Psychology

Other Faculty
Organising Tutor in Education

Secretarial, Clerical and Related
Secretary, Admissions, full-time, grade 3
Secretary, CAP/ECE, f/t, grade 3
Secretary, CAPE - Manpower & Prof. Dev. Unit, f/t, grade 3
Secretary, Soc (Economics), f/t, grade 3
Secretary, Soc (Law), f/t or part-time, grade 3
Secretary, Soc (History), temp. p/t or f/t, grade 1/2
Secretary, Eaps, f/t, grade 2/3
Secretaries to research teams, SPRU, f/t, grade 3

Riser, CRISU, f/t grade 3
Finance Control Clerk, f/t, grade 3
Secretary, Registrar’s Office, f/t, grade 2
Secretary, Registry, f/t, grade 2
Secretary, Financial Accounts, f/t, part year, grade 2

Clerk, Finance Accounts, f/t, grade 2

Accounts Clerk, Estates, f/t, grade 2

Library Asst/Typist, SPRU, f/t or p/t, grade 2

Clerks, Financial Accounts (2 posts), f/t, grade 1/2

Technical
Electronics Technician - Arts & Soc. Studies, f/t, grade D
Audio Visual Technician, f/t, trainee

General
Fitter/plumbers, Estates, f/t
Maintenance Man/Woman, f/t
Porter, Sportcentre/Playing Fields Psv., p/t
Cleaners (2 posts), Playing Fields Psv., p/t
Cleaners, Sportcentre, p/t
Catering Supervisor, Playing Fields Psv., p/t

TEAM MAKERS, f/t

ELECTION OF POSTGRADUATES TO SENATE

Three postgraduates are elected to the Senate annually, one each by the postgraduates in the Arts & Social Studies and Science Schools and one by the students in the Institute of Continuing and Professional Education. Notices of Election and Nomination Forms (if not collected at Registration) may be obtained on request from Miss Jane Johnson in Sussex House (int.ext. 4215), to whom nominations must be submitted by 10th November 1989.

UNIVERSITY CLOSURES
1989-90

The University will be closed on the following days:
- Wednesday, 11th April to Friday, 13th April, inclusive, and Monday and Tuesday, 16th and 17th April, 1990.

TERM DATES 1989-90

- Monday, 9th October - Friday, 15th December 1989
- Monday, 8th January - Friday, 16th March, 1990
- Monday, 23rd April - Friday, 29th June, 1990

BUILDING WORK IN PROGRESS

The following work is being undertaken on campus. You are asked to take care in the vicinity of the work and to keep outside the safety barriers.

Norwich House — new pitched roof, due for completion early October, except access area on north elevation. Filling out of roof space for student accommodation due for completion early 1990.

York House Undercroft — new access ramp completed, awaiting part hardlining.

East Slope Residences — Blocks 9 and 11: new balconies, services and paving, due for completion early October.

PUBLICATIONS BY MEMBERS OF STAFF 1988

A list of staff publications in 1988 has been produced. A small number of copies are available on request to the Planning Section, Sussex House 309, ext. 4242.

LUNCHTIME MUSIC

(Admission free unless otherwise stated.)

Rectangular Room, Falmer House (Room 120):
- 17th October, 1.15 pm — Michael Finnissy (piano) — Nascarrow, Xenakis, Busoni, Stockhausen and Feldman
- 20th October, 1 - 2 pm — Chilingan String Quartet — Lecture recital — Jonathan Harvey’s 2nd String Quartet (£1, 50p music students)

Meeting House Chapel:
- 24th October, 1.15 pm — John Birch (organist)
- 31st October, 1.15 pm — Ingrid Sellishop (violin)

Playing Fields Pavilion:
- Fridays, 1 - 2 pm — Sussex Trugs play mainstream/traditional jazz.

INSURANCE

Members of staff who are using their own cars on University business are reminded that, in the event of an accident they will have no insurance protection unless their private motor policy covers personal business use. This necessary added protection can be obtained from their own insurance company.

NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY

- Figures released during the summer by the University, College and Professional Publishers Council show that Sussex was one of only six libraries (out of 36 English university institutions) to have spent as much on periodicals in real terms in 1986/87 as in 1978/79. Unfortunately, one of the figures for Sussex book expenditure quoted in the original report is quite wrong, and grotesquely overstates the reduction in book purchasing over the same period.
- Punch contributor R.G.G.Price, who died on 17th September, left to the Library such books as it requires from his collection, which is some 4,000 strong.

CAN YOU ADVISE?

Brighton Citizens Advice Bureau is looking for volunteer advisers. No formal qualifications are needed and full training is given. Travel and childminding expenses are paid. Telephone Brighton 207551 for details of introductory talks to be held on 24th, 25th and 26th October.

NOTTINGHAM POLYTECHNIC

Last month, Trent Polytechnic changed its name to Nottingham Polytechnic. Its telephone number is: 0602 418418.

BULLETIN

The Bulletin will be published every three weeks this term. The next edition will appear on Tuesday, 31st October. Copy for this issue must be received in the Information Office, Room 250, Sussex House, tel. 8208, by no later than 4.00 pm on Monday, 23rd October. Other publication dates are: 21st November (copy date, 13th November) and 12th December (copy date, 4th December).

Please remember to let us know about news events — we can only inform you if you inform us.

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