Mike sets his sights on Formula One

Vision expert Professor Mike Land (BIOLS) is approaching motor-racing legend Jackie Stewart to support his latest research. Mike, who has carried out extensive studies on how motorists use visual cues to stay on the road, stepped into the fast lane last month when a Channel 4 science series asked him to analyse the eye movements of racing drivers.

Now he believes his findings, which suggest racing drivers build up a special memory store that enables them to "steer with their head", will be of interest to Stewart’s campaign to make the sport safer.

"I'm intrigued by how these drivers can perform when under immense pressure," says Mike. "It's something I'd like to do more research into."

He was approached by the Equinox series to help with a programme looking into how racing drivers stay in control of their vehicles at very high speeds without the use of computers. The producers had heard about his work on ordinary drivers and wanted to see if the same applied to professional racers.

He joined the programme makers at the Mallory Park circuit and carried out an experiment on Tomas Scheckter (pictured), who is racing for Jackie Stewart's Formula 3 team and is the son of Jody Scheckter, Formula 1 world champion in 1979. A special camera was attached to Tomas' helmet and tracked his eye movements as he did several laps of the racing circuit.

Mike found that the cues ordinary drivers use to negotiate bends, which are mainly the edges of the road at certain points and the apex of the bend ahead, don't apply in the same way to racing drivers. They are travelling too fast for the eye to take in that information.

The tracking showed the driver's eyes looked at the apex, but another measurement showed the driver moved his head to the precise angle of the bend before reaching it.

"It's as though the driver is using his head as a memory store," says Mike. "He's doing it before he gets there, not in response to the bend. The more laps he does, the more familiar he becomes with the circuit and the faster he goes."

You can find out more about the visual strategies of a racing driver when Mike discusses his findings at the Neuroscience Seminar on Monday 20 November. It takes place in the Biology Lecture Room at 4.30pm.

More campus rooms on the horizon

Architects have been appointed to draw up plans for a second phase of the popular Lewes Court residences.

The 130 bedrooms, in six-person cluster flats, will be similar in design to phase 1 but with the addition of an en-suite bathroom to each bedroom.

The new development is part of the University's housing strategy, launched in 1989, which has already produced 1,000 additional bed spaces, both on campus and in Brighton, at a cost of £25m.

A key objective of the strategy is to offer students a choice of style and design: the new development will meet the increasing demand for en-suite rooms while retaining the generous social and communal space, which residents say they like.

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The style of housing on campus has been developed in close consultation with students and views on the design of the new flats are welcome. Later this term copies of the drawings will be displayed in prominent positions in student residences and students are invited to comment by contacting either the Housing Office in Bramber House or the 24-hour reception in York House.

Subject to financial and planning approval, work should begin on site next summer, with completion in time for the start of the 2002 academic year. Further small developments are planned off campus, including the creation of six studio flats at the Kings Road residence. The new building follows one of the University's biggest refurbishment and upgrading programmes, which took place over the summer. Norwich House has undergone a full revamp, Holland House now has new furnishings and fittings in the top two floors; and a phased programme of upgrading and improvements has continued in Park Village, East Slope and properties in Brighton and Hove.
Erosion study breathes new life into St Paul’s

Parallel decreases in air pollution – notably in levels of sulphur dioxide – offer a causal explanation and the team continues to test results. One key finding is that even though erosion rates at St Paul’s have halved, they are still ten times higher than rates reported for non-urban, non-industrial areas.

The results have significant implications for environmental policy. The encouraging findings that decreased pollution slows down the deterioration of building stone are tempered with the knowledge that rates of urban stone decay still outstrip those of non-urban areas.

The results are also of significance to those involved in the preservation of built heritage. The problem is universal, as scientists strive to understand the processes behind the erosion of the Sphinx and pyramids in Egypt, the water-bound buildings in Venice, temples in Asia and other monuments.

Even if scientists can determine how fast a building is eroding and why, they are left with the problem of how to protect it. Many protective resins have been found to cause more damage than they aim to prevent. “The only way to protect our buildings and health is to keep atmospheric pollution to a minimum,” suggests Cherith.

Research funding opportunities

More details of these and other research opportunities are available from Debbie in the Research Services Division (RSD), on ext. 3612 or email D.Foy-Everett@sussex.ac.uk.

For an extensive listing of funding opportunities, see REFUND on the RSD website, www.sussex.ac.uk/Units/research.

Erosion of St Paul’s Cathedral in London has halved in the last ten years, a team of academics has found. They include Sussex geographer Dr Cherith Moses, a member of the Centre for Environmental Research in CPES.

Cherith joins scientists from five other universities and the Building Research Establishment, who have been monitoring erosion rates on the historic building for the past 20 years, in the longest-running programme of its kind in the world to monitor the decay of building stone.

The study, originally designed to provide reliable averages for long-term studies, now shows that the cathedral’s life expectancy has doubled, following a reduction in pollution levels.

Work stress stops teachers going for promotion

The study was carried out on teachers who trained on the Sussex Post Graduate Certificate of Education (PGCET) Primary course between 1990 and 1999. Questionnaires were sent to more than 400 former students.

Of the 40 per cent who responded, nearly 80 per cent were still in teaching. Those who had left the profession gave various reasons, including increasing levels of stress in the job.

The researchers were also surprised to find that those who had finished their training a decade ago were more ambitious in climbing the career ladder than recent graduates. “Some of them had already reached senior levels and perhaps felt they had already got over the hurdle,” says Vivienne.

“But they entered the profession when there were far fewer restrictions on what they could and couldn’t do. There wasn’t the same degree of target setting. New graduates are more realistic. What we may find is that they reach burn-out much sooner.”

Vivienne and Angela, who have now received a £35,000 grant from the Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC) to continue research into recent graduates, are presenting their findings in a seminar on Tuesday (7 November) in the Library meeting room, from 12.30 to 2.00pm.
Dear Editor,


The siting of a 25,000-seater stadium at Falmer is not going to make this university a more attractive place to come. There is, and has been, a lot of misinformation about the proposed stadium.

Firstly, Falmer is not the only place the stadium could be built. There is land next to Brighton station and there is land around the old Shoreham power station. Both these sites are brownfield.

The site at Falmer is on a downland field next to a village in an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. The real NIMBYs in this instance are Brighton and Hove Council, who don't want the stadium in the town.

Secondly, it would not be the end of the football club if they were unable to come to Falmer. This is just emotive nonsense. Brighton and Hove Albion are doing very well at Withdean, and would do well wherever they went.

I urge anyone with an interest in saving the Downs from the developers to write to Brighton and Hove Council, Local Plan Team, Environment & Housing, Town Hall, Hove, BN3 3BQ. You should object to policy SR25. Your objection must reach them before 6 November, so time is short.

Yours faithfully,
Simon Barnes
Desktop Systems

Dear Editor,

Thank you for printing the delightful photo of Paul Vincent's wedding in the Bulletin of 20 October.

But I do have one small complaint: I never knew I was as bald as I appear to be! Is there no University policy on gratuitous expose of bald pates? If not, should there be?

Yours faithfully,
Gavin Ashenden
University Chaplain

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The ride idea for the South Downs

Plans for a new gravel-surfaced cycle path between Falmer and Woodingdean have been drawn up by Lewes-based transport consultants Owen Williams, in association with the Sussex Downs Conservation Board (SDCB).

The SDCB hopes that the new path will improve safety for cyclists and reduce traffic congestion by encouraging cycling. Roger Simmons, Cycling Officer at Brighton and Hove Council, has had a number of letters, including one from a lecturer at Sussex, complaining about dangers on the B2123 road.

The SDCB has not come up with an estimate as to how many cyclists will use the path. Tony Green, research fellow in the Thermo-Fluid Mechanics Research Centre and a member of the University's Bicycle Users Group (BUG), says: "Sussex employees have stated they would cycle this route, but the road is too dangerous. So there is suppressed demand!"

Having conducted a safety audit and geological survey and assessed the gradients, Owen Williams suggested a couple of possible routes and drew up a plan of the preferred alternative.

The next stage, currently under way, is to plan the route in more detail, cut the bank, undertake reseeding and earth moving, and obtain planning permission for the path.

The path is to be surfaced with gravel, because, says Andrew Gottiker from the SDCB, "We don't want tarmac tracks across the countryside - it looks a bit urban." Gravel is also cheaper and is suitable for all except a very few bikes.

Mr Gottiker hopes the path will be completed by early April, or even earlier. The Conservation Board has secured part funding from the Countryside Agency, but still requires £15,000 to be able to complete phase one (the off-road part) of the project and is hoping that the University might contribute.

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Council axes campus-to-school bus

Brighton and Hove Council has axed the minibus service taking children from campus to Coldean Infant and Junior Schools. Up to 15 children of Sussex students living in campus residences will be affected by the decision, which could take effect as early as January 2001.

A meeting of an education sub-committee on 20 October approved a recommendation to terminate bus services from Stannar and the University to Coldean schools and from Woodingdean to Falmer High School, with a combined saving of £25-£30,000 (about 10% of the total cuts in the home-to-school transport budget). Over 90% of the budget is spent on pupils with special educational needs.

Parents (including Sussex students), schools and others affected by the proposals (but not the University) received a consultation leaflet setting out the options for change and explaining the reasons why they were being proposed.

Steve Healey, the council official who is responsible for school transport, said there was "not sufficient justification for a vehicle to be hired specially" for the pupils from Stannar and Falmer. Pupils who meet eligibility criteria will be issued with bus passes or the equivalent.

Mr Healey recognised that some parents might respond to the decision by moving their offspring to Moulsecoomb school, which (unlike Coldean) is served by a direct bus route from the University.

The University currently pays £2,000 annually to the two Coldean schools to help with language tuition for children of international students and Mr Healey has written to the University to ask if the money could be diverted to fund the bus service instead.

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Above: Toddlers at the University's nursery celebrated Hallowe'en by dressing up in orange and black on Tuesday (31 October). The children made witches' hats and pumpkin jack-o'-lanterns and were transformed into ghouls with spooky face paints.

Ellie Arnold, aged 3 (on the left) and Chantai Pullen, aged 4, are pictured getting to grips with the ancient traditions.
All in a day’s work

Jacqui Bealing
Press Officer

In connection with French train company Gova winning the South Central franchise, Michael Barrow, economics lecturer in SOC, explained to the Evening Argus (25 Oct) why the French public sector is so successful in bidding for UK privatised industries.

Time Out magazine (18–25 Oct) consulted probabilities expert Dr John Haigh (SMF), on the coincidence of people’s names matching their jobs, such as Arsenal FC manager being called Arsene Wenger. John predicted the probability in this case to be “quite high”, and went on to suggest that Spurs’ old Argentinian winger Ricardo Villa could, conceivably, have taken charge of Aston Villa.

BBC Southern Counties (20 Oct), the Mail on Sunday (15 Oct) and the News of the World (15 Oct) ran stories on the new student allotment scheme, emphasising the warning from Environmental Officer, Amanda Hastings: “We don’t mind what they grow, as long as it’s legal.”

Channel 4 News (26 and 29 Oct), the Financial Times (24 Oct) and La Monde were among the media outlets calling Dr Erik Millstone, Senior Lecturer in Science and Technology Policy in SPRU, to seek his comments on the outcome of Lord Phillips’ BSE inquiry.

Dr Martyn Stenning, an ecologist in BIOLS, spoke to the Guardian and the Evening Argus (20 Oct) about the floods. He was quoted as saying that global warming exacerbates climate idiosyncrasies and will lead to heavy rainfall events.

What’s your specialist subject? Give me a ring on ext. 7437 or email J.A.Being@sussex.ac.uk with your story for those news-hungry journalists.

If you need a room on campus, you go to Jo. The timetables are created by her colleagues Mark Carter (arts) and Mike Wilkinson (science), but it’s Jo Scott, as Room Bookings Clerk for the last ten years, who takes one-off term-time bookings and most of the flak ...

If someone wants to book a room, they phone or email. I can’t book rooms for students over the phone – they have to come and see me in the Student Systems Office in Sussex House. I ask who’s teaching; what the booking’s for, how many people are involved … and then they might say they need a computer room, or they want to show a video, or whatever.

If it’s a booking with a well-known speaker or a topic that might be controversial, I have to let Security know. For weekend bookings, I have to make sure the porters know, because the rooms have to be opened, and shut at night.

What’s interesting about the job is using space efficiently, so you don’t just book rooms willy-nilly … it’s like a giant jigsaw puzzle, or a Rubik’s cube. As one thing moves out, something else moves in.

I allocate rooms using our Syllabus Plus software, which we’ve had for about five years. The timetabling process is quite complex: there are hundreds of rooms on campus, but we’ve still got pressure on teaching space.

We could do with a few more teaching rooms – in fact, quite a few more – and a curtailed syllabus. If students had fewer choices and fewer combinations of choices, it would make the job of timetabling so much easier!

For example, there’s this drama course that needs a three-hour block, but the only possible time — when all the students from different degrees can be together — is Friday at four o’clock. And Friday afternoon … well, it won’t be popular, let’s put it that way!

Late classes and 9.15 starts aren’t popular, either — and of course the most popular choice for a research day is a Monday or a Friday, which restricts what we can do.

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Some people don’t appreciate the enormity of what the three of us are doing, and make very demanding requests. Whether they get the specific rooms they want depends on the impact on the rest of the timetable, but generally we manage to accommodate most requests.

Sometimes it might take the timetablers a lot of time and tweaking, but mostly we don’t have to say no. Sometimes the only room available is an unpopular one – we’ve got some unpopular rooms, as well: for example, some have no windows, or chairs with writing flaps (instead of proper tables and chairs) …

I get the majority of the calls, because my name is best known. So I’m the one whose phone rings the most, and I am on the phone an awful lot.

However, I don’t get many really angry people … not many. There are certain individuals who are always on the phone first when the timetable comes out.

With three timetables a year, there are three peaks in my workload. The busiest term for one-off room bookings is the summer term, because teaching is only three, four or five weeks, and then it’s all exams and revision courses.

When I started, I couldn’t believe the job was going to be as busy as it was. I think it’s actually got busier: there are more students, more courses, more combinations of courses, and more tutors. But with it being computerised … that’s made my load much lighter. I used to have to handwrite everything.

Over ten years, though, my job’s become more routine. The thing that really keeps me here is the people I deal with every day. Generally they’re nice people … and I enjoy talking to them!
Get the write advice from Todd

Once upon a time, students with writer's block stared at a blank piece of paper. In recent years, they have taken to staring at a blank screen instead. Now an alternative means to a happy ending is available, in the form of award-winning author, Todd Kingsley-Jones.

Todd, who lives in nearby Peacehaven, joins Sussex this autumn as Royal Literary Fund (RLF) writing fellow and will be offering one-to-one advice to students from any subject area about their written work.

Under the pen-name Tookey Jones, Todd has written a number of novels, plays, short stories and poems. For the past ten years, he has also taught creative writing in adult and continuing education.

Now he hopes to introduce a fresh perspective to academic writing, focusing on the craft and technique. "Whatever you're writing, it involves writing in the most lucid, interesting way," he says.

Todd is no stranger to the University, having led a series of creative-writing workshops some years ago at the Gardner Arts Centre. "I liked the feel of the campus and the reputation of the place," he recalls.

The RFL fellowships are being developed as a pilot over three years. All eight 'founding fellows' have continued for a second year in their original posts and Todd is one of 18 new fellows appointed to universities throughout Britain.

"The scheme has been designed to offer students access to advice from professional authors on how to develop better writing skills," says Steve Cook, Fellowship Officer for the Royal Literary Fund. "Ideally, the student will focus on an early draft of their work – or just a section of that draft – and will seek the fellow's advice on particular aspects of style or technique."

Any student (undergraduate or postgraduate) who wishes to contact Todd can ring ext. 3125, email r.c.powell-tuck@sussex.ac.uk or drop in to Arts B117. He will be available on Mondays and Thursdays from 11am to 2pm.

Teaching and Learning Development Fund

Linda France Development Officer, TLDU

Bids are now invited for the next round of the University's Teaching and Learning Development Fund (TLDF). The deadline for bids is Friday 15 December.

The TLDF provides pump-priming funding for improvements and innovations in curriculum design; teaching, learning and assessment methods; skills development; etc. It gives priority to projects that involve a number of individuals and/or aim to secure collaboration between University units and/or other institutions. The Fund also assists subject groups addressing areas for improvement that have been identified in the Learning and Teaching Strategy, Periodic Review and Subject Review reports.

Funds are available to release staff from their normal duties to undertake development work, and to cover incidentals. On a small scale, the TLDF can help to purchase or produce innovative learning resources, and to buy in necessary specialist staff and equipment. Academic and support units must provide matching funding.

When preparing bids, please consult either myself on ext. 8714, email L.France@sussex.ac.uk (general enquiries) or Richard Inskip, ext. 8579, email R.F.Inskip@sussex.ac.uk (multimedia enquiries), at least one week before the deadline. We will be able to indicate whether your project meets the TLDF criteria, and also advise on specific elements that should be covered in your proposal.

The Teaching and Learning Development Unit (TLDU) holds copies of all previous TLDF bids and you are welcome to consult these when preparing your proposal. Summaries of recent approved projects can be found at www.sussex.ac.uk/Units/TLDU, along with full guidelines for bidding to the TLDF. A paper version of the guidelines is also available on request from the TLDU.

Final proposals should be submitted to Linda France in TLDU, Arts D421 by 15 December.

Should students log their learning?

The TLDU and Career Development Unit (CDU) have been funded by the TLDF to evaluate the use of Academic and Personal Learning Logs (APLL) in encouraging students to reflect upon and record their skills and experiences.

A forum to launch the project will take place on Thursday 9 November, 9.30am-2.00pm. Colleagues will be given the opportunity to find out about national developments in this area and to explore the value of introducing APLLs to Sussex programmes. All welcome. For further details, email me on L.France@sussex.ac.uk.
Staff vacancies

Apply by 14 November

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Apply by 16 November

Library Assistant
(refs 516 & 517)

Bookstack Assistant
(ref 518)

Apply by 17 November

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Assistive Technology
Centre (ref 511)

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Creche (ref 512)

Nursery Nurse,
Nursery (ref 513)

Apply by 21 November

Open Course Assistant,
Arts (ref 514)

Apply by 24 November

Research Assistant
(Archives and
Publications), Centre for
German-Jewish Studies

Apply by 1 December

Research Fellow, BIOLS
(ref 509)

Contact for further details,
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Small ads

FOR SALE: Persian carpet. Magnificent floral design on creamy background. 3x2 metres. Unwanted gift. Worth £1000, accept £500. Contact susanjoon@hotmail.com or call 248102.

FOR SALE: Pine double cabin/loft bed - 8 mths old, easy to dismantle, excellent condition. Ideal for studio flat/space saver! £180 ono. Email L.R.Hill@sussex.ac.uk or tel. Lyn on ext. 7432 or 245963.

FOR SALE: Sofa bed, can deliver, £25. Tel. Chris Gatterell on ext. 6873 or 502759.

WANTED: Used inkjet cartridges for recycling. Contact Helen Stewart on ext. 7435 or email H.J.S.Stewart@sussex.ac.uk

Obituaries

Terrie Russell
(Stubbs)

Terrie Russell (aka Stubbs), a member of staff for 20 years and a Sussex graduate, has died aged 52.

Terrie, who was well known on campus and first worked at the University in 1971, died in the Royal Sussex County Hospital on 24 October. In the 1970s and '80s she held a number of posts at Sussex. For many years she was the director's secretary in the Centre for Contemporary European Studies, and later worked in SPRU and in the Institute of Continuing and Professional Education (ICAPE), as it was then.

Crucially, we hope the report will assist in developing inclusive strategies for professional development for part-time teachers here at Sussex, and help inform national policy and initiatives as they are emerging.

We hope you will view this as your chance to contribute to local and national initiatives to improve professional development opportunities, and we want to hear from you.

Please complete and return the questionnaire when you receive it - it shouldn't take too long.

If you want to know more, or you have a query, contact the project reps: Sue Clayton, Staff Development Unit, ext. 7713, email S.B.Clayton@sussex.ac.uk; or Neill Thew, Teaching and Learning Development Unit, ext. 8533, email N.D.Thew@sussex.ac.uk.

Ben Ball

Ben Ball, careers psychologist and CDU's Associate Director, died on Monday 30 October at the age of 52.

A service of thanksgiving will be held at St Laurence Church, Palmer, on Monday 6 November at 2pm. All who knew Ben are most welcome.

Donations (no flowers) to St Peter and St James Hospice: c/o R A Brooks and Son, 35 Wivelsfield Road, Haywards Heath.

A full obituary will appear in the next issue of the Bulletin, on 17 November.

fun girl - warm, big-hearted and just good to be around". The funeral was held on Wednesday (1 November) in the Meeting House.

s/roof, c/locking, clip-front Pioneer stereo. £350 ono.

Contact Kay, tel. (87)1182 or email K.A.Rossi@sussex.ac.uk

WANTED: Room near to the University for male visiting faculty, from 4 Nov for three weeks. Ext. 2598 or email talyang@sussex.ac.uk.

FOR SALE: Computer joystick (free), garden hose pipe (free), Hotpoint washing machine (£40), gas cooker (£20). Ext. 2598 or email talyang@sussex.ac.uk.

WANTED: Small flat/double room for 15-Nov to 31-Jan, for visiting (female) academic economist from Italy (plus husband for one night over Christmas). Tel. 67/8004 or email Janny on J.Money@Sussex.ac.uk.
Nogo this time

Helena Tobin
BIOLS final-year undergraduate

After a term of an arts/science course called Practical Journalism, I was inspired to enter the Young Science Writer competition, sponsored by the Daily Telegraph and the chemical company BASF.

This established competition – supported since 1987 by the British Association for the Advancement of Science – was inundated with over 400 entries. Consequently, I was surprised to hear that my entry, an article on the Nogo inhibitor of neuronal regeneration, had reached the 'celebrity panel round', consisting of Dr Laura Garwin (physical sciences editor of Nature), Professor Lewis Wolpert, Glenwyn Benson (the BBC’s head of science), and John Hampton of BASF.

Writing the article had proved to be an interesting opportunity to interview some of the leading research groups in the country, although in hindsight the hardest part was choosing the subject matter. As for the competition, unfortunately and true to its name, the Nogo article did not advance to the final round.

However, with the knowledge that I reached the last 60 entries and achieved a Highly Commended certificate, I walk away with the experience to do better in the competition next year.

Helena’s article is online at www.sussex.ac.uk/press_office/bulletin/03nov00/.

Floods bring Southdown to Falmer

With the flooded Southdown sports club in Lewes out of action for the foreseeable future, the University Sportservice has stepped in to save the day.

The Southdown hockey pitches will be out of use until after Christmas, so the club’s next three home games – and possibly more – will take place at the Falmer Sports Complex. The University is charging discounted rates and the club’s insiders are footing some of the bill.

Two National League matches will be played on 5 and 19 November (versus Indian Gymkhana and Doncaster respectively) and one on 3 December versus Beeston. Pushback for all games is 12.30pm.

Simon Tunley, Deputy Head of Sport, said that the Sportservice is also helping out the squash club at Southdown, "providing court time for all their members while their courts are being repaired".

It is not yet known when the Southdown courts will be in use again, but all the courts need replacing and some walls have to be replastered. Lewes players using campus courts are paying fees in line with what they would normally be charged, Simon said.

More direct-dial telephone numbers now available

Bob Stephenson Telecommunications Manager

All telephone extensions between 2500 and 3999 can now be accessed directly from off campus, without the need to go via the switchboard: the caller dials 87, followed by the extension number.

As before, all extensions beginning with 8 are prefixed with 67 if called from off campus. For example, staff and students can telephone the Press and Communications Office on ext. 8888, while external callers dial 678888. Similarly, extensions beginning with 7 are prefixed with 87.

Any queries, please call me on ext. 4300 (not in the direct-dial range if you’re calling from an outside line, you’ll have to ring switchboard on 606755).

Swinging Sixties ...

From the Bulletin, 11 November 1963
University Health Service
The Health Service has arranged a Mass X-Ray visit to the University from 4th to 7th February, 1964. All members of the University are invited to take advantage of the visit. Further details will be posted on the noticeboards.

From the Bulletin, 27 November 1962
Society notices
The Tiddlywinks Association hopes to arrange some matches next term. In the meantime practice meetings will be held, times to be posted on the notice board.

From the Bulletin, November 1967
Testing of fire alarms
Members of the University are asked to note that the fire alarm siren is tested daily at 5 minutes past noon. The test is brief and because of its shortness the siren will probably not reach full revolutions and, therefore, full pitch or power.

Alarms heard at any time other than 12.05 pm and the sounding of alarm gongs within buildings at any time at all should be treated as genuine alarms until proved otherwise.

In brief

Housing lists now published daily
The Housing Office keeps a register of private landlords in the local area who have properties to let to students. These lists are now updated daily – come to the Housing Office in Bramber House for a copy. The Web version will be updated (as before) every Wednesday.

Council seeks new members
Council, the University’s governing body, needs approximately five new members from August 2001.

Applications are welcome from all sections of the community. Suitable candidates are likely to have achieved prominence in their chosen field, and should have an interest in HE and the time and inclination to play a full part in the University’s activities.

Further information is available from John Gaunt, ext. 8427, email j.e.gaunt@sussex.ac.uk. Closing date: Wed 15 November.

Labour day
Looking for part-time or temporary work or a graduate job? Visit the Student Employment Office Jobday on Wednesday (8 November) in Mandela Hall, Falmer House, 10.00am–3.30pm. You will be able to talk directly with a range of part-time, holiday work and graduate employers. Advisory bodies such as the CDU, USSU Student Advice Centre and Unisex will also be there. Dress to impress and bring copies of your CV if possible.

Nightline nightly in Norwich House
Nightline, the confidential listening and information service for students, is now open for business. Feel free to phone on (24)6931 or drop into Norwich House for anything from pizza numbers and free condoms (emergencies only!) to emotional support. From Wednesday (8 November), the service will be open 10.00pm–4.00am, every night of the term.
Lectures, seminars, colloquia

Mon 6 Nov
12.30pm-1.15pm Continuing Education Research Forum: Henry Ball (Sussex, University of Sussex and Skills Council), The Learning and Skills Council and the future for adult learners. Arts D310.

2.30pm Falmer Language Group: Alison Wray (Cardiff), Formulaic language and the mental lexicon: The storage and processing of words and phrases. Arts A165.

3.00pm International Relations and Politics Research-in-Progress Seminar: Stephen Hopgood (SOAS), A world made by strangers: Identity and authority in global civil society. C219.

4.00pm Sociology and Social Psychology Seminar: Adrian Favell (Sussex), Globalizing, localizing, nationalizing: The sociology of free movement in Europe. Arts D310.

5.00pm-6.30pm Women's Studies Research-in-Progress Seminar: Garry Holloway (Sussex), Working on the margins: Working-class activists in women's organisations before World War 1. A155.

5.00pm Seminar in Literary and Intellectual History: O'Callaghan, Rumour, liberal Parliament and the public sphere in 1614, Arts D640.

Thu 7 Nov
12.30pm-2.00pm Centre for Life History Research Seminar: Viv Griffiths & Angela Jacklin (Sussex), Career histories of primary teachers. Library Meeting Room.

1.30pm CCGS Psychology Research-in-Progress Talk: Dr De Houwer (Southampton), title TBA. PEV, 51A9.

2.15pm-3.50pm SEI Seminar: Policy round table. A71.

3.00pm-8.00pm American Studies Open Seminar: American Studies, open day, Part 1.

4.15pm Biochemistry and Genetics & Development Seminar: Simon Goodman, Cancer comes unstuck? Integrins as targets for anti-tumour therapy. BLT.

4.15pm Social Anthropology Graduate/ Faculty Seminar: Kevin Moehl (Plymouth), Tourism, culture and authenticity. C233.

5.00pm-6.30pm Creative Writing, the Arts and Education Open Seminar: Carol Rosens, Making a poem: 'Song, sound and formal necessity'. EDB 303.

5.00pm Graduate Seminar in Media Studies: Anne Hole (Sussex in Victoria Wood, the body and comedy. C219.

Wed 8 Nov
2.00pm-4.40pm Music Graduate Seminar: Judith Weir, composer, discusses her approach to musical theatre. Recital Room, Falmer House 120.

4.30pm Migration Research Seminar: Hassan Boussell (Bristol), Islam and politics in two Belgian cities. D60.

5.00pm English Graduate Colloquium: Nicola Lurchurst (Oxford), Kaddochame and monochornon: Gisele Freund and Adrien Monnier's portraits of the avant-garde. Arts D40.

Thu 9 Nov
12.30pm-2.00pm Geography Research Seminar: James Barlow (Sussex in the past or building for the future? Housing supply into the 21st century. D710.

2.30pm Inorganic Chemistry Group: Richard Hooper (Brighton), Siliconane power: As good as it gets? CHE 314.

4.00pm-5.30pm Economics Research-in-Progress Seminar: Robin Naylor (Warwick), Dropping out of university. D510.

2.15pm-3.00pm SEI Seminar: Peter Holmes and Tim Hale, Trust and trade. A71.

4.00pm CCGS Seminar: Matthias Schuecht, title TBA. CCGS Building, SC11.

4.15pm Biochemistry and Genetics & Development Seminar: Mark Searle (Nottingham), Design of Protein B – sheets. BLT.

5.00pm Social Anthropology Graduate/ Faculty Seminar: Paloma Gay-y-Bilisco (Queens Belfast), C233.

5.00pm American Studies Open Seminar: Andrew Pepper (Royal Holloway), Packaging American history: 'The Patriot' and 'Ride with the Devil'. A71.

5.00pm Graduate Seminar in Media Studies: Richard Barbrook (Westminster), Cybercommunism. C219.

Fri 10 Nov
2.15pm SPRU Seminar: Marlo Sako (Oxford), Modular strategies in the car industry. EDB121.

Mon 13 Nov
12.30pm-1.15pm Continuing Education Research Forum: Yaa Asase (freelance) equalities trainer and tutor in cultural diversity. Can we teach cultural diversity? Arts D310.

3.00pm International Relations and Politics Research-in-Progress Seminar: Diane Stone (Warwick), Banking on knowledge: The World Bank and the global development network. C219.

4.00pm Sociology and Social Psychology Seminar: Wendy Faulkner (Edinburgh), Technology — no place for wimps? Gender identities in engineering. Arts D310.

4.30pm Sussex Centre for Neuroscience Seminar: Russell Foster (Imperial), Regulation of biological time by light. BLR.

5.00pm-6.00pm Women's Studies Research-in-Progress Seminar: Jane Freedman (Southampton), Women in the European Parliament: Promoting equality. A155.

Tue 14 Nov
1.30pm CCGS Psychology Research-in-Progress Talk: Dan Wright, Post-event information and eyewitness testimony. PEV, 51A9.

2.15pm-3.00pm SEI Seminar: Peter Holmes and Tim Hale, Trust and trade. A71.

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Fri 17 Nov
2.15pm SPRU Seminar: Rebecca Harding, Dynamic Germany — A contradiction in terms? EDB 121.

4.00pm Astrophysics Seminar: Jim Bartlett & Alain Blanchard (Toulouse), title TBA. Arundel 401.