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#### MID-SUSSEX CALEDONIAN SOCIETY

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#### **NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 2017**

#### **FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

#### **Burns' Night Dinner Dance**

Saturday 20th January 2018
Cottesmore Hotel, Golf and Country
Club,

Buchan Hill, Pease Pottage,

West Sussex,

**RH11 9AT** 

6.30pm for 7.00pm (when the haggis will be piped in) until midnight

**Black Tie, Highland Dress or Lounge Suit** 

Our first formal event of 2018 is the traditional Burns' Supper and Dance and we are hoping for a really good turnout of members, friends and relatives to make the celebration go with a swing.

Pre-dinner drinks will be available in the Gatwick Room, dinner will be served in the Challis Restaurant and dancing in the adjoining Barn Room. The house wine costs approximately £17 per bottle and a glass of whisky for the toasts £3.15 - £3.40. Both can be ordered from the bar before the meal.

The menu is:

**Traditional Haggis** with Tatties and Neeps OR

**Vegetarian Haggis Option** 

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**Duo of Pork** 

Tenderloin and Pulled Pork Shoulder Rillette, with Dauphinoise Potatoes and Cauliflower Cheese

OR

Sea Bream En Papillote

Garlic, Cherry tomatoes, Thyme and New Potatoes

OR

**Piedamontaise Pepper (Vegetarian)** Roasted, stuffed pepper, Confit Tomato,

Garlic, Mozzarella

Side dishes of Green Beans for the tables for all main courses.

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Lemon Bakewell Tart with Raspberry
Sorbet

OR

Whisky Trifle with Cranachan Cream

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Coffee

The cost of the evening is £40.00 per person. Seating is at tables of 8/9.

To reserve your places please contact the Secretary before **Friday12th January**, as the hotel needs to know numbers and menu choices well in advance.

The Cottesmore Hotel (linked to the Challis Restaurant by a covered walkway) is offering accommodation to those who wish to stay overnight at £79.00 per double room and £69.00 per single room with breakfast and the use of the health club and swimming pool. Golf at guest rates. (Check in: from 2.30 pm check-out:10.30 am.)

To reserve accommodation, please contact the Cottesmore direct on 01293 528256, select option 2 for reception and accommodation and mention that you are attending the Burns Supper. Early booking is advisable. The Cottesmore has a large car park.

#### Please note that the Challis Restaurant is on the first floor and there is no lift.

There will be a Charity Plate. Our chosen charities this year are The Hospice of St Peter and St James and Dame Vera Lynn's Charity for Children under Five with Cerebral Palsy.

To reach Cottesmore Hotel, leave the A23 at the Pease Pottage roundabout and take the exit for B2114 passing the service station. At the next roundabout take the 3<sup>rd</sup> exit onto Horsham Road through Pease Pottage. Continue onto Forest Road and the entrance to the hotel is on the right.



# Burns' Social/Dance Practice Sunday 14th January 2018 3 – 5 pm Old School Hall, Cuckfield

Come and work off some of those mince pies and Christmas Pudding! This is a good opportunity for members and guests to come along and try out some of the dances or just to socialise along with tea and more cake!

The cost for the practice session will be £3.00 per person to partially offset the cost of the hall.

#### **RECENT EVENTS**

#### St Andrew's Night Celebration

Only 28 members and friends attended annual St Andrew's our Night Celebration on 25th November at the Normandy Centre in Horsham, which was rather disappointing. The evening started with a "welcome drink" served by David and Marjorie and was followed by an excellent meal. Afterwards there was a raffle, with prizes donated by the committee and then ample time to chat with old friends and also to dance. Our thanks go to Lee and Chris who led the dancing and organized had programme to include a wide range of dances.

The President, Roy Horn, thanked the organisers for an enjoyable evening.

#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

#### **Burns Dance Practice**

**Sunday14<sup>th</sup> January 2018**, 3-5 pm, Old School Hall, Cuckfield

#### **Burns' Night Dinner and Dance**

**20th January 2018**, 6.30 for 7.00pm - 12.00

Cottesmore Hotel, Golf and Country Club

#### **Members' Evening**

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2018 7.30 – 10.00 pm The Old School Hall, Cuckfield "Memoirs and Memories of a Diplomat"

One of our members, who was a member of H. M. Diplomatic Service for 42 years from school leaver to Governor of a Caribbean island, has plenty of tales to tell about life in ten different countries. So come and listen to him spill the beans on what a diplomat actually does.

### AGM / Wine and Cheese Social Evening

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2018

#### **SEASONS GREETINGS**

It just remains for me, on behalf of the Committee, to wish everybody a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year. We hope that you will support our events in 2018.

Marílyn Míllar