

MINUTES OF THE MACARTHUR ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY COMMITTEE MEETING 5/5/98

MEETING OPENED AT 7:45 PM

THOSE PRESENT: Phillip Ainsworth
Noel Sharpe
Robert Bee
Eric Brown
Daniel Ross
David McBean

APOLOGIES: Peter Druery

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING WERE READ: Minutes Adopted.

MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

- The committee congratulates Eric Brown for a great job in doing the MAS name badges.
- The committee discussed eyepieces for MACDOB. Decided on an 18mm lens and a Barlow lens. This will be subject to further discussion on the society's financial state.
- UWSM star night Saturday 8th of August. Starts at 6:00PM. Seth Shostak will be talking.
- Berrima night was very successful. Fourteen of our members turned up with a total of at least 7 telescopes. There were around fifty other people there. All those present enjoyed the night.
- Bob Evan's talk was very good.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- The next camp constellation will be on the 23rd or 30th of May. Location to be confirmed.
- Phil and Daniel are organising a trivia night for the MAS meeting on the 18th of May.
- The June speaker will be Ralph Buttergieg. He will be talking about Mars missions.
- Phil obtained some great Astronomy/space related books from Sydney library for our MAS library.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Bank statements for the 28th of Feb - 13th March and the 13th March - 15th April have arrived.
- Bob Bee moved that future bank statements be sent straight to Eric Brown. Phil Ainsworth seconded.
- We will contact Campbelltown City Library to amend our details on their database.
- Cherrybrook High has a star night on the 29th of August. MAS will not be able to officially attend.
- A thankyou card came from International House for the star night at Berrima.
- The Sutherland Astronomical Society Journal arrived.

TREASURER'S REPORT

- There is \$1720 in the MAS account.
- Approve \$38.55 to be paid to Phil Ainsworth for reimbursing society related costs. MSA.
- Approve \$16.95 to be paid to Bob Bee for A3 ream of paper for "Prime Focus". MSA.
- Approve \$5.00 to be paid to Eric Brown for photocopies for annual accounts. MSA.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- Insurance for this year has been paid.
- P.O. Box has been paid for this year.
- Receipts for these have been given to treasurer.
- Receipt books have been given to treasurer.

- Documents have been given to treasurer.
- There are 45 memberships for 1998.

EDITOR'S REPORT

- Bob Bee proposes to give a talk to 1st Kentlyn Cub Scout Group.

GENERAL BUSINESS

- Steve Manos has the MAS homepage working.
- A provisional site has been found for the UWSM observatory.

MEETING CLOSED AT 9:45PM