

## MINUTES 5.6.00

### Opening Meeting 7.30 PM

**Apologies :** Peter Drurey

**Previous Minutes :** Read and adopted by the whole committee.

**President's Report:** Registration -- cut off is June 30<sup>th</sup>. Some long term members of the society are still yet to become financial. Members not paid by June 30<sup>th</sup> will receive a letter to give them a reminder that they are no longer financial.

Family membership is counted as 2 members on the register.

The night sky exhibition at the Bicentennial Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June. 6 scopes plus Macdob and macbinos . Starting at 6.30 PM. Need pamphlets for 6 weeks from 16<sup>th</sup> June. 7.30 PM. David Malin lecture. Phil to stay out with scopes. Ian will be manning Macdob on the night of 29<sup>th</sup>. Noel also doing short talk, with Rugbir.

June - Guest speaker Atilla on Ancient civilisations in Astronomy.

Cover for speakers coming here to speak-- petrol, tea ??

October Speaker -- Fred Watson from the Anglo Australian Telescope will speak on Australian Astronomers and there bad habits.

MAS to possibly subscribe to Sky and Telescope in order to get the magazine cheaper for it's members. Find out outlay for subscription.

For observatory a BBQ, John Rombi to build it. Bricks, cement, labour, free from Rugbir. Lets have a raffle for a few months for the BBQ facility. 1<sup>st</sup> prize Binoculars, 2<sup>nd</sup> ? 3<sup>rd</sup> ? Tickets 3 for \$2.00 or \$1 each.

Constitution next month's (July) committee meeting.

New road markers for star nights fantastic, went extremely well.

Bank Authority : signing of Peter Elston and John Koster for signing bank cheques, mentioned, 2<sup>nd</sup> and adopted.

**General Business :** When society going on visits the society requires a billboard, Peter Elston will organise to have it to go on a car and to be easily transported, and compactable. Money \$100 limit. He has a person who can do it.

**Treasurers Report :** Monthly balance-- now a statement kept in a special file.

Prime Focus funds accepted.

Postage and phone accepted

Field Nights-- Help from others in society greatly accepted.

**Vice President's Report :** Net being updated soon.

Observatory had computers stolen from the dome. Pentium 60's

**Meeting Closed 8.40 PM**