

## Minutes Of The February Meeting 2001

Meeting opened: 7.35pm

Apologies: Peter Drurey

Present: Noel Sharpe, Phillip Ainsworth, John Koster, Peter and Bobbie Elston and John Rombi

Old minutes read and adopted at 7.45pm.

Sending constitution to Department of Fair Trading -- soon  
Raffle successful-- made \$250.00

### GENERAL BUSINESS

Robert Zimler talk on Cosmology--

Peter Drurey back up slide projector for talks.

Membership-- A proposal to make Ragbir Bhathal an honouree member of MAS. It has been suggested we tell him in advance and prepare a certificate and presentation at the AGM. An appreciation certificate to Dick Everett is also proposed for his contributions to the society.

MAS have need of a slide projector-- Noel has priced one at \$379.00 at Fletcher photographs. He also has Pamphlets.

MAS to close books FEB 28<sup>th</sup>.

April-- Reports into Prime Focus

Website--change of address, no longer with lightstorm.

Saturday night open nights -- University: A proposal to ask Ragbir if Macdob can be stored at the domes at the University.

Bob has suggested outside of the committee meeting that he have a smaller tri-monthly Prime Focus and every 3 months have a huge mega colour edition.

British Astronomical Society has invited members of other societies to help with the Bi-annual astronomy meeting held in all parts of Australia, but for Sydney in 2003?

Big Astro union meeting July 2003 \$600-700.

Need to see Ragbir for big speaker in March, and tell him we will be assisting for the big Astro meeting.

### TREASURERS REPORT

New members: Terry Evans and Douglas Mckean proposed and accepted as members of MAS.

Bank Account-- \$2,772.44

## MINUTES FEB Meeting con't

MAIL: Maquarie Uni field night, two letters from interested public members-- need to reply, Noel 1 and me 1.

Latham--political letter regarding small societies.

Radio and mobile services from The Australian Space Weather Agency

Christmas card

Southerland Astronomical society newsletter/journal.

## VICE PRESIDENTS REPORT

T-shirts-- looking into.

COMMITTEE- Messier 100 badges being organised.

Star Party: Advertise who is going from MAS Let Peter and Bobbie know. At Star Party Peter teaching Sky Vector 23<sup>rd</sup>-26<sup>th</sup>, plus it will be an article in Prime Focus for March.

Meeting closed 9.05 pm

Secretary Phillip Ainsworth