

The meeting opened at 8.00 pm in Noel and Carmen's home

**Present** Noel Sharpe, John Rombi, Lloyd Wright, Ian Cook, Dick Everett,

**Apologies:** Bob Bee,

Reading of Minutes Past Mtg Minutes were read, moved and accepted.

### **Business Arising from Minutes**

- ❖ **Speakers-** **October** –Glenn Dawes (Quasar Publishing), **November** - Bishop Chris Toohey, **2006 – February** - Fred Watson confirmed, **March** - Michael Dopita, **April** – AGM and Ian Cook, **May** - Don Whiteman
- ❖ **Public Education Dates:** St Mary's will attend at Rotary Obs October, Mt Carmel school now moved to November 10, Tara Guides – no date this year.
- ❖ **Macastro Star Night** – Too late for this year will start organizing now for early March 2006. Promotion to schools and by radio.
- ❖ **Community Observatory project** – Contact with Phil Costa Wollondilly council supports the project and has contacts with Pony Club and Pat Farmer. Members to evaluate site with observing ASAP
- ❖ **Double Star Hunt** to be launched at presentation April 2006.
- ❖ **Globular Hunt list** presented by Dick.
- ❖ **Field trip to ASNSW site Ilford** postponed this year due high fuel travel costs. Decided to mount campaign for members to attend SPSP next March

### **Observatory Public Night Report**

- Next date October 7<sup>th</sup> then Nov 4<sup>th</sup> .

### **Treasurer's Report**

\$3284 at bank after payment of invoices. No expenses were submitted to this meeting

### **NEW BUSINESS**

The following matters were tabled and discussed:

- To facilitate quick communication re changes to observing details, members' information to be updated. Dick to organise
- Prime Focus on website to be at least 6 months old. To be arranged by Bob as editor and sent to Martin in PDF format.
- Future possibility to email Prime Focus to members each month in place of printing.
- Suggestion to prepare public in Camden/ Campbelltown for Macastro Star Nights by hand out flyers and solar observing in shopping malls or parks a few days before.
- Dick to present Bennett List observing project to members at a meeting.
- Video for January 2006 meeting
- Further lists of Planetary Nebula and Double Stars were sourced from South Africa.  
[www.saa0.ac.za/deepsky](http://www.saa0.ac.za/deepsky)

### **Business for Next Committee Meeting**

Library cataloguing, Lloyd to bring more library items to the meeting for Com members.

Field Trip to Wiruna –March 2006

Website feedback

Rotary Obs November

Community observatory proposal

Public Education,

Speakers for 2006 –?

### **NEXT MEETING**

7.30 pm November 7 at Lloyd and Mary-Lou's home  
DE apology

Meeting Closed

**9.30 pm**