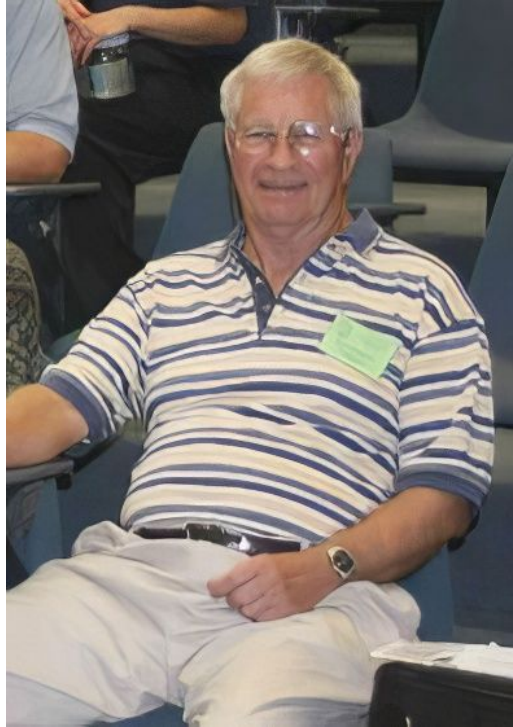


Dick Everett

1936-2024



It is with considerable anguish that we record the death of Dick Everett.

Dick joined MAS during its initial financial year of 1996-97 and played an enthusiastic role as an organiser within the Society, especially during the 2000s.

For many years he was a regular at our members field nights and public events. In 2003 he was elected as MAS Treasurer, keeping our financial affairs in top order for six years and presiding over our increasing financial security.

Dick and Valda's home in Ingleburn was the venue for many committee meetings. During that period he served a dual role, because in those days the Treasurer was also effectively the Membership Officer. In 2008, he was responsible for the retrospective allocation of membership numbers for the first time.

He was quiet and unassuming, yet ready to use his practical optical and electronic skills to help others upgrade their gear. Some of his home-made dew heaters for members still remain in service!

Since retiring from the committee in 2009, he continued as an active member and enjoyed attending public nights while he still could. He rarely missed a Macarthur Astronomy Forum in over twenty-seven years as a member and he was still taking advantage of our live Forum Zoom presentations, right up to and including July 2024.

Dick was a proud MAS member who will remain in our thoughts. He was a great companion to many of us and his friendship, wisdom and expertise as an amateur astronomer will be enormously missed.

He was in his eighty-eighth orbit.