

Chris Malikoff

1962-2025



MAS member 2006-2025
IT Manager 2008-2025
Webmaster 2008-2017
Vice President 2011-2012
Prime Focus Editor 2011-2012 & 2020
President 2012-2015

Chris joined MAS in 2006 and - as John Rombi said - he immediately made his mark on the society. He had an easy manner and an inquisitive mind. He was creative, influential and skilful at everything he attempted.

When the Society held a competition in 2008 to design a new logo, Chris won outright. Three years later he also designed our Forum logo and both designs continue to feature today on our website and in our documentation.

He built a ground-breaking new website for MAS in 2008 and later played a big part in the creation of the current WordPress website in 2021. He used members astro-photographic work to create photographic displays for MAS exhibitions at Campbelltown Arts Centre and local libraries and also put them all on DVD to be displayed on the external fascia of the Arts Centre. That DVD sold well.

Chris joined the committee as Vice President in 2011 and took over as Editor of *Prime Focus* magazine, raising the product to a very high professional standard, before taking over as president of the Society between 2012 to 2015.

He was a brilliant photographer and was our leading astro-imager during a time when amateur astro-imaging was in its infancy, always helping other aspirants along the way.



In 2015 his stretch as MAS President ended and he moved out of the Macarthur Region but remained a member of the Society. After a period living on the NSW Central Coast he moved to Tasmania, where he bought a boat and learnt to sail. No doubt he became an expert at that too!

Current MAS President John Rombi said “Chris loved the society and all the friends that he had here. We will miss his cheeky sense of humour and his vast knowledge that he was happy to share with anyone”.

Chris Malikoff suffered a medical episode on May 8th/9th and was unable to be saved.

He was 62 years of age.
