

The meeting opened at 7.55 pm in Noel and Carmen's home

Present Noel Sharpe, John Rombi, Ian Cook, Daniel Ross,
Apologies Kate Johnston, Dick Everett, Lloyd Wright, and Bob Bee

Reading of Minutes Past Mtg Minutes were read moved Ian, seconded John as true record, and accepted.

Business Arising from past Minutes

1. Phil Ainsworth is able to make journey to Sydney for 10-year badge ceremony. \$50 authorized to be given for financial expenses. Program for award presentation discussed and set down.
2. Magellan April field trip- Ten participants now, most deposits in hand. September trip still on.
3. Dudley Chesham Sportsground 355 Management Committee Representative position and role description is still in process of finalization. (JR-NS-RB)
4. Management Committee meetings in future to be held on first Tuesday of month.
5. Library resources to be discussed at next meeting.

Regular Business

- Treasurer's Report. There was no new report this month and no accounts were presented for payment.
- Speakers- **April** – AGM and talk by Bruce Reardon, **May** - Melissa Hulbert, eclipse chasing, **June July August** – one of these meetings to be given to relevant workshops for members, Ian volunteered a presentation, **September** – Fred Watson. Don Whiteman and Peter Reid (SDM) sometime.
- **Rotary Observatory Report** – Recent public night, Saturday 31st March-Earth Watch, was outstanding success with 150-200 people. Other dates (25/5, 17/8, 19/10) now finalized;
- Mailbox – Macquarie Uni Open Night, membership cheque from Southwells.
- No new Memberships

New Business

The following matters were tabled:

- a) DVD "Magnitude" ready for sale. Martin to deliver to possible outlets, all members urged to take several copies and sell to friends and relatives. Daniel has kindly loaned his DVD copier to Martin for production.
- b) Preparation for AGM. Returning Officer- Ivan Fox, Ian to send Order of Business information when receive email address. At least one nomination for each position now in hand.
- c) Discussion of handover from outgoing President and Secretary. All Secretary computer records to be put on CD. New contact person for Domain Registration. Change of publicized contact details in Night Sky, Astronomical Society of Australia, Prime Focus, Dept Fair Trading, Dept Gaming and Racing, Public Liability Insurance?, record name of Auditor.

Business for Next Committee Meeting

1. Welcome to new MC members.
2. Initiation to responsibilities for office bearers. Banking signatures, contact names for other organizations, etc.
3. Regular business
4. Representative to DC sportsground Wollondilly 355 Mngmt Comm
5. Library resources

NEXT MEETING May 1st at John and Jenny's home, 7.30 pm
Meeting Closed **9.25 pm**