

Meeting location: Martin & Linda Ferlito's – 13 Pine Ave. Bradbury

1. Apologies: Kate Johnson

2. Minutes of Previous meeting dated 7th August 2007:
Moved/Seconded/Carried they be adopted.

3. Business Arising from Minutes:

- 3.1 Progress on extra keys for Stargard. (JR)
All the keys have been cut. Only need to be handed out to the agreed persons.
- 3.2 Report on possibilities of Side-walk astronomy activity. (RB)
Bob reported that the Garden Centres are all closed on Thursday nights so are not available. Further consideration of alternative locations needed if this is to proceed.
- 3.3 Proposal for sponsorships levels and benefits. (MF)
In hand. No report tonight.
- 3.4 Discussion of logistics of loaning telescope through Library (All)
It was agreed the appropriate telescope to lend out via a library would be the 6" MacDob. John will talk to Campbelltown Library management and sound them out on the idea. If they are interested, we will give further consideration to logistics of lending etc.
- 3.5 Revisit decision regarding "classified section for website" (Item 7.3 in June 2007 meeting).
Any such classifieds would be from members only and would have to be astronomy related. To be placed in the public-available section of web-site. **Agreed.**

4. Regular Business:

- 4.1 **Treasurer's report** (DE): The current statement was tabled and adopted.
- 4.2 **Speakers for remainder of year** (October & November) (JR): John confirmed that: September - Fred Watson; October – Mark Suchting (re Binocular telescopes); November – Don Whiteman.
- 4.3 **Rotary Observatory Report** – Lunar eclipse night (JR): John reported on the night. There was a big crowd (around 200 – 250?), 16 telescopes (and one binoculars stand). John expressed his praise for all the MAS members in attendance. Unfortunately there were technical difficulties with the dome. Overall, the night was a great success.
- 4.4 **Prime Focus Editor report** (KJ): Kate has enough for this issue but if there are other articles to come, they should be in to her by this Friday 7th Sep. Next month, both Kate and Daniel will be away. Need someone to finalise the issue and arrange printing. Martin volunteered.

5. Correspondence

Inwards:

- 5.1 Account from Domain Registration Services: This was received and held by Martin. The account will not be paid in November as we are changing Host. This is to be arranged before the expiry of the existing Host period.
- 5.2 Letter from Pat Farmer MP: Re Macarthur Awards: Arrived too late for action. File.
- 5.3 'Southern Observer' magazine: received and passed to John Rombi.

Outwards:

- 5.4 Email to Michael Raftery confirming membership: sent out to Michael.

6. Report on Membership status and applications:

No details to report.

7. New Business

- 7.1 Collection of monies at the Monthly Meeting September 17th. John reported that there is expected to be a good number of visitors from other clubs and public to hear Fred Watson. Agreed that we will invite gold coin donations from non-members.
- 7.2 Increase amount of beverages and biscuits for 17th September meeting. Need more materials for tea/coffee/biscuits etc to cater for anticipated larger crowd.
- 7.3 A weekend at Magellan Observatory is being arranged for October 12 – 14.
- 7.4 Apologies are noted from Kate Johnson, Daniel Ross and Bob Bee for October Management Committee meeting due to being away.

8. Business for Next Committee Meeting

9. Next Meeting: Tuesday 2nd October.

10. Closing of Meeting: 9:45pm

Action List for Next Meeting:

Item No.	Action By:	Action
3.1	John Rombi	Distribute new sets of Stargard keys.
3.3	Martin Ferlito	Draft scale (\$) and benefits of sponsorships
3.4	John Rombi	Discuss proposal of loaning 6" scope with Campbelltown Library and report for next meeting discussion.
5.1	Martin Ferlito	Arrange new Domain Host before expiry of existing Host's period.