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MACARTHUR ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY
MINUTES FOR MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
Held at 31 George Galey Place
Mt Annan
Monday 1st June at 7.30pm
Attending: TL, SG, HS, MN, RC, GM&V and JG

1 OPENING OF MINUTES AND APOLOGIES:

2 ADOPTION OF MINUTES: dated 3rd May 2015 - Proposed by JG, seconded TL.

3 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

3.1 Future Observatory at Dharawal National Park

- TL has not had a response from Jai Rowell yet.
- TL proposed that the committee investigate a possible new location for the observatory at Nattai.

3.2 Any other business

- SG has not had a chance to work on the display boards yet.

4 REGULAR BUSINESS.

4.1 Treasurer's Report - See attached. Proposed by RC and seconded by MN

4.2 Membership

- New members: Sandra Cunliffe, Peter Godwin
- Current membership stands at 100 including 4 honorary members
- Steve Nicoara will be added to the honour roll. The committee decided to offer his wife and son, Noreen and Sean, a year's membership.
- The committee discussed a badge or patch for 20 year members.

4.3 Merchandise

- Donations: \$30 from Bunnings BBQ, \$14.20 from last forum.
- Sales: Nil
- New mugs or glasses were not discussed.

4.4 General Meetings

- Next meeting: Bill Ricketts - Koorie Astronomy. June 15th 2015
- Andy Thomas will notify us of his availability in 2015/2016.

4.5 The Forest

- Last gathering: 15-16th May, 2015. Friday was washed out. 3 hrs viewing on Saturday.
- Next: 19-20th June, 2015

4.6 Stargard

- Last gathering: 23rd May 2015. Skies were milky.
- Next: 13th June, 2015

4.7 Public Outreach

- Camden Library are getting their telescopes ready
- The Prairiewood High winners will come in later this year to present their work
- MAS will participate in Mt Stromlo's world record breaking attempt of most observers observing an object on Friday 21st August.

4.8 Members' Trips

- TL to provide update on South America trip, if any.
- CMcV has booked accommodation at Coonabarabran. Cost is ~\$300.

4.9 Fundraising

4.10 Website, Web shop, Forum, Facebook, Prime Focus Blog

- CM will work on Joomla in the coming months.
- TL and HS will receive training from CM for the back end of the website

4.11 Correspondence

Mail in - Nil.

Mail out - Nil.

4.12 Technical Advancement.

- Polar alignment tutorial set for 11th July, 2015
- An astrophotography tutorial was requested by the membership at the AGM. TL will contact CM to arrange this.

4.13 Publicity

- Media release for the month of June has not been sent out.
- TL is waiting to hear from Krystal Upston to see if the society could arrange a welcome pack for the Macarthur Heights residents together with UWS.

4.14 Mallincam Extreme

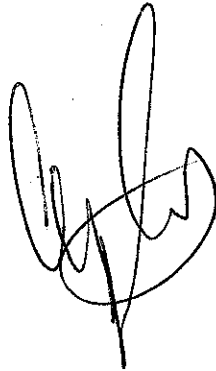
- More practise with the cam shall occur, weather permitting.

5 NEW BUSINESS

- TL contacted International House about having storage at the cabin for our own gear. We have approval for our own lockable cabinet.

6 NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING:

7 CLOSE OF MEETING



Jack Goralewski
Secretary - MAS