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**MACARTHUR ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY  
MINUTES FOR MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING**

Held at 33 Hickson Circuit, Harrington Park  
Monday 3rd August at 7.30pm  
Attending: TL, SG, HS, RC, CMcV and JG.

2015

**1 OPENING OF MINUTES AND APOLOGIES:** Opened 7:35pm Apologies MN.

**2 ADOPTION OF MINUTES:** Adopted by TL and SG

**3 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

**3.1 Future Observatory at Dharawal National Park**

- TL is in contact with Jai Rowell and will meet with him in the near future.

**4 REGULAR BUSINESS.**

**4.1 Treasurer's Report** - See attached. Adopted by RC and seconded by HS

**4.2 Membership**

- New members: nil
- Current membership stands at 102 including 4 honorary members

**4.3 Merchandise**

- Donations:
- The committee agreed to purchase 150 new pens for the 20th anniversary of MAS and boxed pens for presenters.

**4.4 General Meetings**

- Next meeting: Dr. Lee Spittler, 17th August 2015.
- Special Event - August 5th, Dr. Ed Cruzins
- Andy Thomas will notify us of his availability in 2015/2016.

**4.5 The Forest**

- Last gathering: 18th July, 2015 Great seeing. Very cold
- Next: 14-15th August, 2015
- New lockable cabinet has been installed at the cabin for MAS. TL has purchased new cups/glasses for MAS members.

**4.6 Stargard**

- Last gathering: 11th July, 2015. Polar alignment seminar. Cancelled due to poor weather.
- Next: 8th August

**4.7 Public Outreach**

- Camden Library: TL has been working with the library preparing the scopes for loan, labelling parts and making videos.
- 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. Gates open 6pm, viewing from 8:45pm.

**4.8 Members' Trips**

- Chile: 7 members have paid their airfares. Seeking one new traveller.
- Coonabarabran: Estimated cost \$300. MAS will pay for entry in order to entice more members to join trip

## **4.9 Fundraising**

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

### **4.11 Correspondence**

**Mail in** - Nil.

**Mail out** - Nil.

### **4.12 Technical Advancement.**

- Polar alignment tutorial set for 8th August, 2015
- An astrophotography tutorial Oct/Nov

### **4.13 Publicity**

- Media release for the month of August has been sent out.
- Krystal Upston is the contact for the 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**

- UWS Penrith Observatory: UWS has approached MAS and has allowed MAS members to use the telescope(s) at Werrington.

## **6 NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING:**

## **7 CLOSE OF MEETING**

Jack Goralewski  
Secretary - MAS



Tony Law  
President - MAS