

Minutes of committee meeting held at the home of B.Lawrence on 13/9/99

Present: R.Roth, P.Hawkins, B.Lawrence, R.Clifford, W.Russell, J.Watson

Apols: C.Lake, R.Joubert

1. Meeting commenced at 19:30 - minutes of previous meeting accepted

2. 'Opening' a great success - thanks to B.L. and work party
- Letters to be sent to D.Overbeek, A.Gray
& the trustees of the Asset fund

3. Planning 13/10/99 MOON evening - membs to contribute - JW to convene
10/11/99 Bronze casting ?, Leonids, Viewing (Jup & Sat)
4/12/99 Xmas Party (alt 11/12/99 or 18/12/99)
Committee to investigate venue for a sit-down dinner
Suggestions: MACS, Bot Gardens

4. Membership New members - Dorothy Boyd Prop J.Watson Sec B.Lawrence
Victor Hugo Prop P.Hawkins Sec W.Russell
- RR has names of potential members

5. Correspondence

Newsletters from other Centres
Letter of thanks from Girl Guides
Letter from R.Jarman
Pmburg Tourism AGM on 20/10/99
Letter to Girl Guides re regular use of W.V.Camp
Replies to Starworlds and African Skies

6. Treasurer

Balance on hand R5370 - donations from ASSA Asset fund (R1000)
A.Gray (R300) and Laddsworth (R134)
- refund to RC of R3000 approved
Subs reminders to go out in October
Annual subs to Pmb Tourism due

7. STARDUST

Preferable not to use shading on original- p/copies badly
Use R.Jarman's article from last year

8. Library

New books (P.Moore) & videos (Skynews eclipse & Discovery)
Scrapbook up-to-date, Inventory done by WR, S&T binding under
way, Posters from SAAO laminated, Photos in Observatory.
Circulation list for S&T, Thanks to RR for donated slides
Letter to B.Broli for donation of videos (blank)

9. P.R.O.

Brochures for Pmb Tourism to be finished
Natal Centre now known as the DURBAN Centre

10. Observatory & Instruments

Good work party, Battery lighting works well, Visitors book
from D.Overbeek, Braai slabs in place, 'Roberts' refractor
to be moved from RR's home, Buffalo grass to be planted.
Security: Agreed to get quote for gate from J.Lawrence's
brother
Future Dev: Education centre - RC has drawn rough plans
Planetarium, Sunial

11. Education

18/9/99 RR to talk to Cubs
27/9/99 JW to give slide-show at School of Philosophy, plus
viewing at WVO on 2/10/99

12. General

IZINKHANYEZI 2000
M di Maggio keen to tell us about his trip to Eclipse
RR has submitted first article to the "Mirror"
Eclipse2001 in Zambia

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING ON MONDAY 18/10/99