

## Minutes of Committee Meeting held at the home of J Watson on 19 May 2003

Present: F de Bruyn, C Kay, L Hearmon, R Roth, P Hawkins, J Watson, R Clifford

Apologies: T Morley

1. Meeting commenced at 19:35.
2. Matters Arising  
No matters arising from previous minutes.
3. Planning
  - July 19 – Midwinter Star party
  - 13 August – Spectral Classification of Stars, John
  - October – Philip to present, possibly on the topic of the Moon
  - November – Colin to present.
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4. Membership
  - Hilton College agreed to send a straight donation and we will send a pack of Stardust's to Don Whitfield.
5. Correspondence

Received:

  - Durban, Cape & Pretoria newsletter, Canopus, MNASSA.

Sent:

  - John wrote to Cliff Turk regarding the banner & handbook update..
6. Treasurer
  - April bank balance was stated at R3990.66
  - Still no donation has been received from the Museum.
  - Roger suggested sending out invoices with next Stardust – this was agreed to. A R10 increase in subs will go through next year. This year will remain at R80 & R50.
7. Stardust
  - A request for subs will be advertised.
  - Dr Dempsey of JHB centre and Frikkie have both submitted articles.
8. Library
  - R8 received for rent of videos.
  - Colin to follow up with S & T about the 2 months we have not received a copy of the magazine.
  - It was agreed upon to cancel our subscription to S & T. Rogan against this action, all other committee members were in favour.
  - The possibility of getting more MNASSA's was discussed but nothing finalised.
  - The display at the Hilton library is still up & running!
9. P.R.O
  - Colin to take a digital photo of our banner to send to Cliff Turk.
  - Rogan is eventually getting sorted out with the advertising in the papers.

10. Observatory & Instruments

- Roger has sorted out the rust on the tracks on the roof at the observatory.
- With regard to the viewing evenings, more people need to be involved. John will be doing the 6<sup>th</sup> June and Rogan to do the 20<sup>th</sup> June.
- John has also fixed the Dancer.

11. Education

- Grosvenor Girls school presentation was cancelled.
- Programme has been drawn up for Astronomy course – 2 people have signed up already.

12. General

- Letter to be sent to Sabrina @ Physics dept. to thank her for her talk at the last meeting.
- Foresters meeting still taking place on 9 June.

The meeting was declared at 9:05. Next committee meeting venue will be discussed at the AGM.