

Minutes of the Ordinary General Meeting of the Soc. Centre held at the Observatory at 8.00 p.m. Wednesday, 29th May, 1973.

Mr R. F. Hurley, the vice chairman, took the Chair. There were some 35 members and visitors present.

Apologies were received from Messrs G and C Hammett, and Dr. Wild and Fairall.

This was the first occasion on which the members had gathered in this new venue and it was obvious that the facilities were good with the convenience of the adjoining kitchen which well ensured hot and warm prompt tea and also that there were ready toilets for both ladies and gentlemen. The Chairman, on behalf of members, thanked Dr. Woolley and Mr. Harding for arranging this new meeting place with the ample cupboard space. The library would be worked as soon as convenient.

Future events.
 June 13th Mr. O'Leary of the Observatory staff would address the meeting.
 July 11th Mr. Perry would speak on "Photographic Photometry of the Magellanic Clouds."

Aug. 8th. A.G.M. of the Centre - at which new Officers would be elected. It was hoped to have Dr. Day as a lecturer at the meeting. Mr. Deane in Todmorden Bank - who may speak on Radio Astronomy.
 Sept 12th. Mr. Hawarden would speak on Telescope Design for Amateurs
 Oct 10th. Dr. P. F. F. in Grendley and possibly minus as we hope

The members were reminded of the following grazing occultations
 May 10th at Kington. Sunday morning ± 2.30 am.
 Those interested to meet at 1.00 am at junction North of Railway bridge on the road to Kington.

June 12th in Cape Town. 5.7 mag at 2.41 am. Low in west $\pm 20^\circ$

It had been arranged with the SATC for the time pipe to be broadcast for both of these occultations.
 Oct 12th. North of Darby at 23.33^{10M} 3.0 magnitude

Mr. Neale suggested that certificates be presented to Mr. deKock & Mr. Simelhoff for their 50 years of membership.

There being no further business Mr. Guinness, the Centre Observer - then presented his annual address. He would be on course to look at the next time for this address. He spoke

in 40 odd years in Astronomy.

Mr W. Beale, suitably, the subject
to Greenwood for his interesting
address.

There being no further business the
meeting adjourned at 9.40 pm - for
tea.

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R. W. H. J.