MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CAPE CENTRE OF THE ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN AFRICA HELD AT THE S.A.A.O. ON WEDNESDAY 1976 SEPTEMBER 22 AT 20h00

Present: The Chairman Mr C.H. Larmuth, Honorary Secretary
Mr G.H. Larmuth, twenty-three members and one visitor. Apologies for absence
were received from Messrs Bredenkamp, Hurly, Saville and Uttley.

The minutes of the meeting held on 1976 May 12 were read by the Secretary and signed by the Chairman as correct.

For the benefit of those who were not present at the Annual General Meeting, the Chairman referred to the questionaire sent to members regarding the use of the Ron Atkins telescope, and advised that Messrs Churms and Turk were organising observing. Mr Turk said that little progress had been made since the Annual General Meeting, but Mr Churms reported that a four inch refractor had been attached to the twelve inch.

The Chairman then introduced the speaker for the evening Dr P.W. Hill from St. Andrews University whose subject was "Ultra violet and Optical Astronomy from a Spacecraft". He gave a detailed and informative description of the construction, operation and uses of the Space Shuttle which is expected to make its first flight in 1979.

The Chairman thanked Dr Hill and the meeting closed at 21h20 for tea.

Signed as correct

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Chairman