

Minutes of the Meeting of the Cape Centre of the ASSA
held at the S.A.A.O. on Wed. 8th Feb 1978 at 8 pm.

Present 32 members and 12 visitors

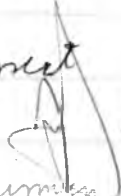
Apologies for absence were received from Drs Feast, Cousins and Thomas, and Mr Duveen. The minutes of the last meeting were read and signed.

The Chairman, Mr Bondiotti, mentioned that instead of the usual March meeting, an observing evening would be held on Thurs 16th March to observe an occultation by the moon. He also stated that an astronomical exhibition will be held at Cavendish Square. Any changes of address are to be sent directly to Mr Bondiotti who has the addressograph.

The Chairman then introduced the speaker, Dr A.P. Fairall, of the UCT Astronomy Dept. He gave a most interesting discussion on "What makes galaxies tick", in which he suggested ~~an evolutionary~~ ^{an evolutionary} links between B & Lac objects, quasars, Seyfert galaxies, and normal spirals and ellipticals. He suggested that spiral formation might be a short lived phenomenon in the lifetime of elliptical galaxies! After a break for tea at 9 pm, the meeting was resumed with a slide show of ~~observatories~~ ^{selected} NASA sites, and observatories Dr Fairall visited on his ~~with~~ sabbatical tour of the USA, Chile, the UK and Italy.

Mr Turk thanked the speaker, and the meeting closed at 9.50 pm.

Signed as correct


Chairman