

Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee of the Cape Centre of the ASSA
held at SAAO on Wed. 5th April 1978.

Present. The Chairman, Mr Bondiotti and committee members, Miss Both
messrs Saville, Molyneux, Turk, Burke, Dean, ^{Grimmett} Chirms, Hedrozd, Parsons.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and discussed. The
eyepieces are apparently still missing, and the painting of the Ron Atkins
dome has yet to be completed. The telescope viewing on March 16th was
a success, in spite of the first occultation being lost behind cloud. The
secretary was requested to thank the director of SAAO, Dr Feast, for the use
of the 6 inch Grant telescope.

at The next centre meeting on Wed 12th April Mr RM Catchpole of
SAAO ~~would~~ ^{will} talk on "Spectroscopy for the Layman".

Mr Burke stated that plans were well in hand for an exhibition
of telescopes to be shown on the roof of Cavendish Square on Friday 14 April.
Publicity for the exhibition was discussed. In the event of rain a slide
show might be arranged.

Possible speakers for future meetings were discussed.

Mr Saville reported on the centres finances. The current balance
stood at R159. The price of subscriptions was discussed; since these
are due on 1st July each year it was decided to charge 50c for half-
yearly subs. issued between Jan and June. The number of current
members stood at 75; the circulars would in future only be sent to
paid up members.

Finally the committee ~~referred to~~ ^{referred to} the tragic death of Dr Thackeray,
a long-standing member of the ASSA, and offered their condolences to ^{his} family.
In addition R10 was sent to the Amateur Relief Fund.

Signed as correct

J. Hunt
Chairman.