

held at the SAAO on Wednesday 10 Aug November 1982.

The meeting was opened by the chairman, Mr Mike Kramer and apologies for absence were received from Mr Hurley and Mr Cleenwerk. There were 24 members and 4 visitors present at the meeting. It was announced that a series of 7 lectures held every fortnight ^{will} take place ~~in the following year~~ ¹⁹⁸³ for all those who ~~w~~ are interested in Astronomy ~~to~~ who know very little and want ^{to} find out more about it.

The chairman then introduced the speaker, Mr Danie Overbeek, who ~~has~~ ^{was} ~~been~~ ^{of} president for the ASSA in 1961 ^{and is still a prominent Variable Star Observer.} Mr Overbeek emphasized ^{all over} that, even though there ~~were~~ are very advanced ~~progr~~ telescopes ^{all over} the world, ~~there is a~~ the amateur astronomer's contribution ^{is} ~~was~~ very important; and ~~there are certain fields in astronomy where~~ More is being learnt about the surface of the Moon every day ~~because of~~ from the observations of grazing occultations, which can be done ~~with~~ with relatively simple apparatus. Other important sections are the Variable star ~~obs~~ section, the Comet and meteor section, and the Nova section. He also showed slides of some of his own home made ~~gadgets~~ equipment. With his low frequency transmitter he could study the ionosphere which ^{is affected by} ~~reveals the~~ amount of solar flares, ~~and magnetic activity on the sun~~. Throughout his lecture, Mr Overbeek referred back to famous Amateur Astronomers and surprised everybody with his very down-to-earth ^{equipment} methods and the accurate results he was able to obtain. The meeting closed at 9.35 pm for tea.

Signed as correct.

Mike Kramer