

minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Cape Centre of the SA
held at the SAAC on Wednesday 14th September 1983.

The meeting was opened by the chairman and apologies for
absence were received from ~~Mr~~^{messrs} Bullock, Teeson, Hurley and DeMack.
After the minutes of the previous ordinary meeting were read the chairman
announced the passing away of Mr Duveen and a minute's silence was
kept. It was announced that Peter van Rensburg would be put
in charge of getting the Ron Atkins telescope back to full working condition.
The Director of Observations sent in notes about Venus and Comet Kopp.
After other minor notices the chairman announced that ~~his~~^{he} talk
would be giving a talk on fields of view. This was divided
into three sections. The first section gave us details of how to use
star charts, the handbook and some fairly simple calculations
to work out at what time and in what direction to point ~~a~~
telescope to find any particular object.

The second part of the talk ~~and~~ gave us an
idea of how ~~to~~ calculate the ~~area~~^{field} of a camera. Examples of
the area of coverage on star chart for various lenses were given. The
approximate exposure necessary for various lenses and objects was also given.

The last section of the talk was about ~~telescopes~~
telescopes and the conditions necessary to ~~and~~ obtain a rich
field in terms of focal length, magnification, objective and
eyepiece diameter and size of pupil.

After being thanked for his talk by the secretary,
the meeting closed at 9.30 for tea.

John