CAPE CENTRE ASSA

Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 6 August 1996

- 1 PRESENT:
 - P.Booth, G.Bosch, C.Forder, A.Gray, J.Joubert, S.Kleyn, A.Mohamed, R.Sessions & B.Skinner
- 2 APOLOGIES: C.Turk
- MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING (10 Jul 1996): Read and accepted.
- 4 MATTERS ARISING: Nil
- 5 TREASURER'S REPORT: Financial Statements circulated. Resolved that members who had subs due for 1994/5 be dropped from the mailing list.

Members more than 6 months on arrears may be dropped from future mailing lists.

- 6 KEYS:
- 5 % Kitchen cupboard & 1 x Front door keys to be cut.
- 7 NEWSLETTER/CAPE OBSERVER:
 Try to find an editor from amongst the members.
 Joe Joubert to assist with C/Observer.
 Next C/Observer to have interest questionnaire.
- 8 LIBRARY:

Possibility of C.Allen becoming Librarian. Abe Mohamed volunteered to assist.

Many new books suggested including:

Companion to the Cosmos

Star Atlases & Planispheres

Star atlas disks for P.C's

Binocular Observing

Steve Kleyn is to give a coffee table book on astronomy to the library on a permanent loan basis. Library to be open at 19:45 on informal meetings. On formal meeting s the library will be opened on request.

First opening 21.8.96

9 OBSERVING EVENINGS: The Committee agreed to hold regular observing meetings. Brian Skinner to co-ordinate Wednesday evening observing sessions.

There is an Occultation 12 Sep.

We must try and find an external venue. Gordon will approach Visanterkraal.

Sat 12 Oct Observing to be coupled with Hale Bopp. The public to be invited.

A session during the Gemenids will be arranged for Dec 14.

Nov 9th deep sky observing session foe members, Gordon & Steve will co-ordinate initial sessions.

10 PUBLIC RELATIONS:

Abe Mohamed to communicate meetings, speakers and subjects to the media. (Argus, Local papers, FMR and RGH).

Richard Sessions to arrange and notify the date of the next Waterfront Astronomy evening.

SCHOOLS OUTREACH:

Alan Gray to approach Kirstenhof junior school in two months time.

RADIO:

Leave to Rupert Hurly.

BROCHURES:

Brian Skinner to fill up the brochure bins at the Planetarium and find out the cost of printing another 1000 brochures

11 CENTRE TELESCOPES:

Gordon to recover Larmuth 6" telescope from Monty Coward.

12 ASTROPHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION:

To be held Thurs 7 Nov 1996.

To be Judged by Douglas Arnold.

Closing Date 23 Oct 1996.

Slides and CCD images to be converted into prints.

Exhibits will be numbered for judging.

15 FIELD TRIPS:

Magnetic Observatory - C Turk Cederberg Observatory/Sutherland - postpone to early 1997.

Time Ball - G Bosch to investigate.

14 NEW MEMBERS:Brian Skinner & Gordon Bosch to compile introductory material aimed at new members. Brian Skinner/Gordon Bosch. Approach visitors and prospective new members - all members of the committee.

15	MEET	FINGS:				
	Aug	7	P Booth	Oct	16	R Sessions
	Aug	14	Allbrow & Pollard	Oct	23	B Skinner
			(Astron. in NZ)	Oct	30	C Turk
	Aug	21	C Forder	Nov	7	Thursday
						D Arnold
	Aug	28	G Bosch			(Astrophotos)
	Sep	4	A Gray	Nov	$1\mathbb{Z}$	B Skinner
	Sep	11	Formal	Nov	20	G Bosch
	Sep	18	J Joubert	Nov	27	C forder
	Sep	25	S Kleyn	Dec	4	A Gray
	Oct	2	A Mohamed	Dec	11	Annual Social
	Oct	9	Formal			

16 TEA DUTY:

Aug 14 Brian Skinner/Cliff Turk

Sep 11 Pat Booth/Gordon Bosch

Oct 9 Chris Forder/Joe Joubert

Nov 7 Andre Gray/Steve Kleyn

17 ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

When introducing guest speakers give full details of who he is, where he works and any other salient facts. Overhead projector to be organised/recovered.

18 NEXT MEETING: Oct 22 1986.

The Meeting closed at 22:40

CHAIRMAN......