

THE CAPE CENTRE OF THE ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY OF S.A.

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE, HELD IN THE
LECTURE HALL, S.A.A.O. ON WEDNESDAY 27th JANUARY 2000 @ 21h00**

**PRESENT : Messrs. M A Gray, A McConnell, P De Villiers, A Mahomed, R Bauer
and P De Villiers.**

- 1) OPENING : The Chairman, M A Gray welcomed all present and declared the meeting open at approximately 21h00.
- 2) APOLOGIES : Received from D Duprez J Willmore M Christianson and B Wagner. Absent without apology was Miss G Quick. Mr M Maxwell-Hafen had resigned as a Committee member (See Correspondence). The Chairman acted as Secretary for the Meeting
- 3) MINUTES : The Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 18th January 2000, having been circulated to all members of the Committee, were taken as read, confirmed and signed..
- 4) ARISING : The only Matters Arising would be dealt with under the heading of "GENERAL"
- 5) APPLICATIONS : Although there were several Visitors at the meeting, there were no Application Forms available as the Secretary has these in her possession.
- 6) CORRESPONDENCE : Circulars had been received from the Pretoria & Garden Route Centres. Mr Max Maxwell-Hafen had written a personal letter to the Chairman tendering his immediate resignation from the Committee owing to increased business commitments. This will be discussed at the next meeting of the Committee
- 7) APPLICATIONS : None were to hand
- 8) THINK TANK : The Chairman has drawn up the complete address list. No doubt there will be a number of corrections and additions. In due course, this will be circulated to all members. It was requested that the "Beginners' Talks" be re-instated as soon as possible. Volunteers from the members will be called for. A small "action group" should be created for the idea of cleaning up the telescope in the adjacent dome but permission from the SAAO will have to be given before this can be started.
- 9) GENERAL : Dr A Mahomed reported that the Guest Speakers for February and March would be Dr John Caldwell (Feb.) And Cliff Turn (March), the latter speaking on "Star Week 2000" which runs from 5th to 12th March and for which we must all stand by to give talks to public bodies such as schools, church groups etc. Chairman to design new Application Forms to "tide over".
- 10) CLOSURE : With a reminder that the next Committee Meeting will be held on Wednesday 2nd February, the Chairman thanked all present for their input and declared the meeting closed at about 21h30.

Dated 2000

Signed
Chairman