

NEWCASTLE ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY INC
MINUTES
31 March 2006

MEETING OPENED: 7.30 pm with 29 members and guests present.

CHAIRMAN: Mr Ghul Hussain

MINUTES: The minutes from January 2006 were read and accepted. (George Barnes/Les Hope, carried).

APOLOGIES: David Hough, Dennis Zambelis, George Livanos, Alan Meehan, Ken Hargreaves.

GENERAL:

- Attendance was lower than usual because of the Star Party at Ilford.
- George Barnes presented the star chart of the night sky and pointed out the interesting features for this time of the year.
- Ghul conducted a trivia session with ten questions and chockies for people who answered them correctly.
- Fred Menk gave us an overview and the latest update on Fedsat in an interesting talk that inspired many questions from the audience. The second half of his talk on exo-solar planets had to be held over until the April meeting.
- There will be a viewing night this Saturday at McArthur Street. No lawn mowing is required.
- The next meeting will be on 28 April 2006 starting at 7.30 pm.
- The meeting closed at 9.00 pm and a light supper was served.