

West Didsbury Astronomical Society – Annual General Meeting



Agenda for Monday 11th July 2016

- 1) Acceptance of Notes from previous year's AGM.
- 2) Previous Year's Activities.
- 3) Previous Year's Accounts.
- 4) Appointment of Committee for Next Year.
- 5) Any Other Business.
- 6) Steve Warbis, Astronomy in Art

Next Year's Meeting Dates and Speakers (thanks to Carolyn)

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| 12/09/16 | Monique Henson, (University of Manchester) "Probing the Universe with its Largest Structures" |
| 10/10/16 | Clive Dickinson, (University of Manchester) "Unveiling the Cosmic Microwave Background " |
| 14/11/16 | Rhian Jones, (University of Manchester) "Birth of the Solar System – The Story from Chondrite Meteorites" |
| 12/12/16 | Stacey Habergham, (Liverpool JMU) "Exploring the Universe with Exploding Stars" |
| 09/01/17 | Quiz |
| 13/02/17 | Colin Steele, (University of Manchester) "A Day on Each Planet." |
| 13/03/17 | TBA |
| 10/04/17 | Peter Robinson "Space Elevators." |
| 08/05/17 | TBA |
| 12/06/17 | TBA |
| 10/07/17 | Mark Hughes, (University of Manchester) "Massive Black Holes in galaxies." |

Other possible topics include rocket thrust technology and amateur sub orbital balloon flights.

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Annual Report on the Society's Activities 2015/16

Report by Phil Brocklebank



Monthly Meetings/ Speakers

14 th September	Dr. Joe Zuntz - University of Manchester Weak Gravitational Lensing
12 th October	WDAS Members Evening
9 th November	Prof. Phil James - Liverpool John Moore University Supernovae and the Evidence for Dark Energy
14 th December	Prof. Lucio Piccirillo - University of Manchester Origins of the Universe
11 th January	Trevor Cottrell: WDAS Astro Quiz
8 th February	Prof. Phillipa Browning - University of Manchester Space Weather Forecast
14 th March	Prof. Derek Ward-Thompson - (UCLAN) The Herschel Space Telescope and What it taught us about Star Formation
11 th April	Prof. Mike Seymour - University of Manchester Update on the Latest from the Large Hadron Collider
9 th May	Mike Shaw Sundials and How they Work
3 rd June	Prof. A Zijlstra - University of Manchester Evolution of Planetary Nebulae
13 th July	Annual General Meeting Steve Warbis - MaccAstro - Astronomy in Art

Observing

The annual field trip took place to **Lligwy** in Anglesey in March. As usual a good mix of observing, fine food and drink, games, walking and great company; this time at a new and darker venue. We will return there.

Other Events

A very enjoyable **Christmas meal** was held at the **Pasha** restaurant in Didsbury in December.