

# West Didsbury Astronomical Society – Annual General Meeting



## Agenda for Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2019

- 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) Mark Hughes – Massive Black Holes

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

09/09/19	Steve Barrett (University of Liverpool) "The Great Moon Hoax"
14/10/19	Steve Hurley "Dark Matter and Dark Energy"
11/11/19	Matthew Cobb (University of Manchester) "Alien Life in the Universe"
09/12/19	Paul Connolly (University of Manchester) - Saturn's Hexagon
13/01/20	Martin Kessel "Introduction to Astrophotography"
10/02/20	Rene Breton (University of Manchester) "A Hitchhikers Guide to Black Holes"
09/03/20	Pauline Norris "The Ancient Egyptians and their Astronomy"
20/04/20	Clive Saunders "Atmospheric Optical Phenomena: Rainbows, Halos and Glories"
11/05/20	To be confirmed
08/06/20	Licia Ray (Lancaster University) "Auroral Emissions Through the Solar System"
13/07/20	Annual General Meeting & Society Meeting

## Summer BBQ

17<sup>th</sup> August at Trevor's house, near Huddersfield. All Welcome.

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## Minutes of Annual General Meeting Monday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2018



1. Notes from the previous year's AGM were accepted as an accurate record. Proposed by Jason Woolley and seconded by Louise Orlandini.
2. Introduction by WDAS Chairman Phil Brocklebank. Phil gave a run down on the year's speakers and a brief outline of the society's history.
3. Annual report on activities by Phil Brocklebank. Thanks to Carolyn for all her work on finding speakers.
4. Previous Year's accounts. It was agreed not to increase the subscription fee this year. Still have £580 in bank account.
5. Kevin Weatherilt talked about the coming year's activities – trip away, Bar-b-q, Christmas meal out and next year's speakers.
6. Appointment of the Committee Members.
  - a) Chair – Phil Brocklebank
  - b) Treasurer –Phil Brocklebank
  - c) Minutes Secretary – Susie Busby
  - d) Speaker Secretary – Carolyn Jones
  - e) Website – Kevin Weatherilt and Andrew Huggett
  - f) Publicity – Zenith Woolley And Susie Busby
  - g) Observing – Trevor Cotterell
  - h) Master baker – Louise Orlandini

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### Annual Report on the Society's Activities 2018/19

Report by Phil Brocklebank



#### Monthly Meetings/ Speakers

Date	Event
10/06/19	<b>Chris Suddick</b> (Altrincham and District Astronomical Society) - Mythology of the Stars
13/05/19	<b>Paul Money</b> - Triumphs of Voyager pt1: Journey to Jupiter/Splendors of Saturn
12/04/19	<b>Dr Steve Hurley</b> (West Didsbury Astronomical Society) - Venus
11/03/19	<b>David Sobral</b> (Lancaster University) - The Quest for Our Cosmic Origins : The Sky is Only the Beginning!
11/02/19	<b>Timo Laitine</b> (UCLAN) - Sun-Earth Connection
14/01/19	West Didsbury Astronomical Society Quiz
10/12/18	<b>Rickbir Bahia</b> (University of Manchester) - The Evolution of Surface Topography on Mars from Channel Networks
12/11/18	<b>Tom Scragg</b> (University of Manchester) - Pulsars
08/10/18	<b>Chris Reed</b> (Altrincham and District Astronomical Society) - Moons: of the Solar System and Beyond
10/09/18	<b>Mark Derbyshire</b> - Asteroids in Northern Europe
09/07/18	Annual General Meeting & Nigel Henbest - Cosmic Quest: From Babylon to the Big Bang

#### Observing

We had two field trips to **Lligwy** in Anglesey: in September and March. As usual, these had a good mix of observing, fine food and drink, games, walking and great company. We will return there.

#### Other Events

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