

ROYAL ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY OF CANADA  
"Halifax Centre"

AGENDA FOR EXECUTIVE MEETING

Meeting #11 for 1989 Dec 15<sup>th</sup>, 1989

<u>ITEMS</u>	<u>ORIGINATOR</u>	<u>NOTES</u>
1 APPROVAL OF AGENDA		
2 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING	Dec 8 <sup>th</sup> , 1989	
3 APPROVAL OF MINUTES		
4 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES		
5 ANNOUNCEMENTS OR REMINDERS:		
5.1 Members Meetings	JAY	
.1 Telescope Preferences - Jan 12 <sup>th</sup> 7:30 P.M. Doug's		
.2 Astrophotography - Feb 9 <sup>th</sup> 7:30 P.M. Jason's		
5.2 Meeting Times (7:15 - 7:45 Exec. / 7:45 - 8:00 Announcements / 8:00 - "9:00 Main Speaker)		
5.3 Venus: morning & evening - Dave Chapman		
6 DISCUSSION:		
6.1 Resolution on commercial displays	JAY/RB	
6.2 Purchase slide projector	DP	
6.3 Dart Cont Ed Meeting Dec 12 <sup>th</sup>	DP	
6.3 The Centre's Long Term Goals?	JAY	
.1 Future spending, (Scholarship fund?)		
.2 Projects,		
.3 Membership envolvement,		
.4 Future Executive members, etc.		
6.13 Possible Consumer Education Project: Report Evaluating some Commercial Telescopes for Sale in Canada.	JAY	
7 OTHER BUSINESS?		

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### 8 FUTURE MEETINGS

	7:00 (Early Entertainment)	8:00 (Main Meeting)
December	?	Stellaphane: A 1st Time Experience - D. Lane / N. Cohen, A View of the DAO - Dan Falk & Other Snippets
January	?	Wolf-Rayet Stars - Dave Turner
February	?	The World of Amateur Radio Astronomy - Fr. Lonic
March	?	?
April	?	?
May	Annual Banquet	?
June	?	Members Night & Trivia Contest
SOON		Aurora Slides - Dave Turner (10 minutes)
FUTURE:		Practical Uses for Astronomy - Nat Cohen
FUTURE:		Charge Coupled Devices (CCD's) - Dave Lane
FUTURE:		Possible Oceans on Venus - Pat Kelly
FUTURE:		Geomagnetic Effects on Power Systems - Joe Yurchesyn
FUTURE:		Var. Stars: Types & Observing Techniques - Joe Yurchesyn
FUTURE:		CCD Research at St. Mary's U. - Garry Welch
FUTURE		Solar Observations - Dan MacLellan
FUTURE		Cosmology - Someone at Dal ?

### ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA(S):

Followup on Centre Observatory Site	Status on Questar 3"	Talk Astrology vs Astronomy - ?
News Release Forms	N.N.'s Book Reviews	Talk Ten Most Asked Questions: - ?
Life Member Certificates	Lottery or Contest (?)	Talk Ask an Astronomer - ?
Observing for Armchair Astronomers	Small Scope User's Challenge	Talk Fun with Astrolabs - ?
Len Larkin: TV Interview(s)	Purchase Collimating Eyepieces	Talk Things that go Wrong in the Dark - ?
Revised Job Descriptions	Constitutional Revision	Talk Planetary View to
Lost Members Survey	B & L Shakedown-Member's Night	Plate Technics - P. Reynolds ?
Pamphlet How to Select a Telescope-Xmas		
Satellite Centre Rebate Guidelines		

THE ROYAL ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY OF CANADA  
HALIFAX CENTRE

c/o 1747 Summer Street  
Halifax, Nova Scotia  
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The Executive of the Halifax Centre of the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada met on Friday December 15, 1989 at the Nova Scotia Museum, 1747 Summer Street, Halifax, Nova Scotia. The meeting began at 7:30 p.m. with the President, Joe Yurchesyn presiding.

Councilors Present:

Joe Yurchesyn, President; Paul Smith, 1st Vice-President; Mary Lou Whitehorne, 2nd Vice-President; David Lane, Secretary; Nat Cohen, Treasurer; Randall Brooks, National Representative; Douglas Pitcairn, Observing Chairman; Patrick Kelly, NOVA NOTES Editor.

Observers Present:

Dr. Roy Bishop

Notice of Regret for Non-Attendance:

Jim MacGuigan, Councillor  
Jason Adams, Councillor

1. Approval of Agenda

It was moved by Mary Lou Whitehorne and seconded by Nat Cohen that the agenda be approved as submitted.

The motion was carried.

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4. Minutes of the Executive Meeting of December 8, 1989

The reading, subsequent approval or dis-approval, and business arising from the minutes of the executive meeting of December 8, 1989 were deferred to a future meeting.

5. Announcements

### 5.1 Observer's Group Meetings

Joe Yurchesyn re-iterated the times and places of the next two Observer's Group Meetings. See the minutes of the November 17 meeting for details.

### 5.2 Meeting Times (Again..Again..Again!)

The new meeting times were confirmed once again. Refer to the minutes of the meeting of November 17, 1989 for details.

### 5.3 Venus: Morning and Evening

Joe Yurchesyn reported that Dave Chapman wished to address the General Meeting with information regarding an observing project to observe Venus in both the morning and evening of the same day at its upcoming conjunction.

## 6. Discussion

### 6.1 Resolution on Commercial Displays

Randall Brooks distributed copies of a proposed "Permitted Commercial Activities" (copy attached) hand-out which was prepared by Randall and Joe Yurchesyn. It was decided that discussion be deferred until the next meeting to allow executive members adequate to study the proposal.

### 6.2 Purchase Slide Projector

Doug Pitcairn suggested, in light of our current financial position, to purchase a new slide projector for members giving public talks in Astronomy. The approximate cost for a Kodak Carousel is \$400. As a result, the following motion was presented.

It was moved by Doug Pitcairn and seconded by Mary Lou Whitehorne that Doug investigate the purchase of a Kodak compatible slide projector and report back at the next meeting.

The motion was passed.

### 6.3A Dartmouth Continuing Ed Meeting of December 12, 1989

There was nothing to report, since neither Nat Cohen or Doug Pitcairn attended the meeting.

### 6.3B The Centre's Long Term Goals?

This item was deferred to a future meeting.

#### 6.13 Possible Consumer Education Project

This item was deferred to a future meeting.

### 7. Other Business

Mary Lou Whitehorne reported that we received a letter from Ralph Fraser thanking the Centre for the support we had given him following his wife's death.

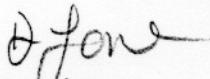
### 8. Future Meetings

The next meeting of the Executive will be held at the residence of Doug Pitcairn, 13 Ferguson Road, Dartmouth, Nova Scotia on January 12, 1989 at 6:00 p.m. before the observer's group meeting.

#### ? .1 Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Joe Yurchesyn.

Respectfully submitted,

  
David Lane  
(Secretary)

# Halifax Centre, RASC

## Permitted Commercial Activities

### Preamble:

The Halifax Centre is a non-profit organization dedicated to the advancement of astronomy. As such, it encourages interaction between its members to discuss and exchange information on the various aspects of the science so that they may benefit intellectually and gain from their membership in the Centre. Since we are a non-profit organization, the Centre reserves the right to place certain limitations on the activities of members and non-members at its meetings which might be construed as violating its non-profit status. Subject to the following limitations, sale of goods and merchandise is limited to those items sold by the Centre to raise money to meet its expenses and objectives. Where meetings are held on the premises of another institution, any limits on commercial activity imposed by the hosting institution will be respected. The following limitations are placed by the Centre on members' and non-members' activities at the various types of Centre functions:

### At General Monthly Meetings:

- • Items which individual members of the Centre have for sale or trade may be displayed and sold by requesting permission from the Centre's President prior to each meeting at which said items are to be displayed. The requirement for such permission is waived for "swap" or "sale" events organized by the Centre.
- • Upon request, firms or companies may be issued a written invitation by the Centre President to mount displays of goods or services which they have for sale. Without such an invitation no firm or company may display goods or services at meetings of the Centre. An **Invitation to Display** at general monthly meetings may be granted to a firm or company by the President a maximum of two (2) times in any calendar year and shall stipulate the following restrictions:

- 1) no items may actually be sold at the meeting,
- 2) the display shall be restricted to the area and time period assigned by the President,
- 3) a sign (provided by the Centre) shall be visibly displayed adjacent to the display stating that the Centre does not necessarily endorse the products or services displayed and takes no responsibility for the performance of either the vendor or his products or services, and
- 4) any other stipulation(s) which the President or Executive may make.

The President shall not issue an **Invitation to Display**, for a period of one (1) year, to any firm or company which has failed to comply in any respect with the above stipulations.

### At Observers Group Meetings:

- • Items which individual members have for sale or trade may be displayed and sold without restriction.

• • Upon request, firms or companies may be issued a written invitation by the Centre President to display goods or services which they have for sale. If such Observers Group Meetings are held at a member's residence, the President shall determine if the hosting member objects to such an invitation being issued; if the hosting member objects for any reason, no invitation will be issued. An **Invitation to Display** at Observers Group Meetings may be granted to a firm or company by the President a maximum of two (2) times in any calendar year.

**At Public Observing Sessions and Nova East:**

• • Individuals may sell or trade personal items provided no rules or regulations of the hosting authority are violated.

• • Commercial displays may not be placed nor sales made on sites assigned to the Halifax Centre, RASC if they violate the hosting authority's rules and regulations for commercial activity. It shall be the firm's or company's responsibility to determine from the hosting authority that no rules or regulations will be violated by the display or sale of goods or any other commercial activity. Firms or companies wishing to carry on commercial activities in conjunction with Centre activities must provide written proof from the hosting authority that they are permitted to carry on business at the specific location and time assigned to the Halifax Centre, RASC. Once such proof is provided, and upon request to the Centre's President, firms or companies may be issued a written **Invitation to Display** which shall be granted at the discretion of the Centre's President. Without such an invitation no firm or company may display or sell goods or services at any site assigned to the Centre. The **Invitation to Display** for such events shall carry the following restrictions:

- 1) no items may actually be sold at the meeting,
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- 4) any other stipulation(s) which the President or Executive may make.

## Invitation to Display

The Halifax Centre hereby grants approval for \_\_\_\_\_ to display at its General Meeting/Observers Group Meeting/Observing Session/Nova East (delete 3) to be held on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_.

The following restrictions shall be adhered to:

- 1) no items may actually be sold at the meeting,
- 2) the display shall be restricted to the area and time period assigned by the President,
- 3) a sign (provided by the Centre) shall be visibly displayed adjacent to the display stating that the Centre does not necessarily endorse the products or services displayed and takes no responsibility for the performance of either the vendor or his products or services, and
- 4) (Insert any other stipulation(s) or place "N/A" in the following space).

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(President's signature)

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(Date Valid)

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(Valid at)

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I, \_\_\_\_\_, acting on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_  
(print name) (Firm or Company name)

agree to adhere to the above restrictions and acknowledge that my firm or company is permitted to place its display at the invitation of the Halifax Centre, RASC and that failure to comply with the restrictions may result in withdrawal of the invitation and, if drawn, I will remove the display immediately upon request by the Halifax Centre's President or his/her representative.

I assume all liability on behalf of the firm or company I represent for the performance or quality of goods or services advertised during Centre sponsored activities and for any accident or injury incurred which might result from the presence of the display.

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(Signature)

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(Date)