

November 2006 Edition



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2006 B.R.A.S. Officers

President: Mike Harkey

Vice-President: Dave Lengyel

Treasurer: John Reising

Secretary: Dave Gulyas

Tom Janus

-- Next Regular Meeting --

Wed., Nov 1 at 7:00 pm at the Carlisle Visitor Center. This will be an astronomical equipment show-and-tell.

-- Next Board of Directors Meeting --

Thu., Nov. 9 at 7:00 pm at the Blue Sky Restaurant on Rt.58 in Amherst.

-- Upcoming Nielsen Observatory Dates --

Fri., Nov. 10, 7:00 - 9:00 PM -

Fri., Nov. 17, 7:00 - 9:00PM - Leonid meteoros.

-- Upcoming Programs --

December - Holiday Dinner Meeting

January 2007 - Mike Plas on Pluto

February - Dave Lengyel; video - TBA

March - John O'Neal; TBA

-- Astronomical Publications --

***** CORRECTION*****

The Ottewell Calendar for 2007 will be available for \$22.00 per copy. If you wish to order one,

please let Dave Gulyas know before November 9. bras@gulyas.com.

Sky & Telescope magazine subscriptions will be available at the club rate of \$32.95 per year if we receive a minimum

of 5 subscriptions. If you wish to subscribe, please let Dave Lengyel, Tim Kreja or John Reising know at the next meeting.

-- Items For Sale --

Meade 4" ETX-105EC w/UHT Coatings & 8 x 25 mm Viewfinder

Meade Autostar Controller #497

Meade Deluxe Field Tripod #884

Set of 8 Meade Super Plossl Lenses, 6.4 mm thru 40 mm w/Storage Case

All components are in very good condition, and any reasonable offer will be accepted. I live in

Chesterland if anyone would like to see it. Contact Scott Marlow at scmarlow@adelphia.net <<mailto:scmarlow@adelphia.net>> or 440-729-1030.

Denny Bodzash is offering the following items:

Orion 9x50 finderscope, 5 1/2 degree field of view, straight through design, like new, end caps included, asking \$50.

10mm Sirius Plossl eyepiece, 52 degree apparent field, 1.25 inch design, caps for both ends included along with original box, like new, asking \$30.

If anyone wants to see photos of the items, Email me at wrenchbender54@comcast.net <<mailto:wrenchbender54@comcast.net>>. Leave me your email address and I'll send you the pictures.

Editor's note: Please let me know when an item has been sold so I can delete the listing from the next Guidescope. astr0wxc@eriecoast.com.

Black River Astronomical Society
Monthly Board Meeting
Blue Sky Restaurant in Amherst, Ohio.
October 12, 7:00PM

At 7:04PM, Tim Kreja called the meeting to order with J. Cunningham, G. Cox, J. Reising, T. Janus, L. Lumpkin, D. Bodzash, J. O'Neal and D. Gulyas present.

Reading of the minutes: The September minutes were approved after a grammar correction.

Treasures Report: Beginning balance: \$7,775.02 additions of \$332.00 OTAA proceeds, \$444.00 membership dues and expenses of \$42.46 for OTAA door prizes returned an ending balance: \$8,508.56

Guide Scope: Status quo.

Instrumentation: Everything is well at the Nielsen; all other, status quo.

Programming: Meeting at Lorenzo's, October 28th noon, to plan observing sessions for 2007.

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Public observing dates:

November 01, 2004: 7:00PM - Regular monthly meeting, Carlisle Visitors Center.

November 09, 2004: 7:00PM - Regular monthly board meeting: Blue Sky Restaurant, Amherst.

November 10, 2004: 7:00 - 9:00PM - Nielsen Observatory. Fall Sky Observing.

November 17, 2004: 7:00 - 9:00PM - Nielsen Observatory. Leonid Meteors.

Old Business:

The Metro Parks key situation has been corrected and verified by J. Reising. The election of Board members was held at the October regular monthly meeting. Denny Bodzash, Greg Cox, Dave Gulyas and John O'Neal were elected to fill the vacant positions. Of the Board; Dave Lengyel was elected as President, Tim Kreja Vice-President, John Reising Treasure and Dave Gulyas Secretary. Given the poor weather, the OTAA was deemed a success.

New Business:

Frank Truskot was unanimously accepted as a new member. Reservations for the regular monthly meeting at the Carlisle Visitors Center have been made for the first Wednesday of each month in 2007. Should the weather be agreeable, members will meet at the Firelands Boy Scout Camp for the Mercury Transit on November 8th given its suitable Southwestern horizon. J. Reising was authorized to purchase a two-inch diagonal for the Unitron refractor not to exceed \$150.00.

D. Gulyas will coordinate Ottwell calendar purchases for this year. Cost: \$22.00, contact Dave to place your order on or before November 9th for

pickup at the December 6th meeting.

J. Reising made the motion to adjourn with a second by T. Janus at 8:22PM

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Gulyas
Secretary, Black River Astronomical Society