

## Christmas Day Partial Solar Eclipse



The above photo was taken at 12:43 p.m. EST by Steve Mastellotto. The photo was taken through a 4" Televue Genesis refractor with a 20mm eyepiece (25x) and a full aperture Thousand Oaks solar filter. The camera used was a Nikon 990 digital camera with the lens at 18mm (35mm equivalent is 85mm) f/3.8 and the exposure was 1/84 of a second.

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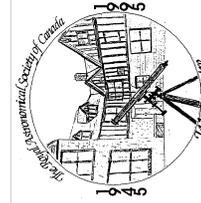
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## Flyer

Next Meeting

Tuesday February 20, 2001  
 8:00 p.m.

at

St. Stephen's Church  
 Howard Road, 1.4 kms. South of  
 Highway #3

Speaker: Steve Mastellotto

Topic: "TBD"

## Upcoming Events

**Council Meeting:** Tuesday February 13 at Steve Mastellotto's house. Meeting begins at 7:29 p.m.

**Mercury:** Mercury is just 0.4 deg. South of Uranus on January 22, is close to the crescent Moon on the 26th and reaches greatest elongation east (18 deg.) on the 28th.

**Venus:** Reaches greatest elongation east (47 deg.) on January 17 with greatest brilliancy on February 22.

## GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

November 21, 2000

President Susan Sawyer-Beaulieu called the meeting to order at 7:59 p.m.

President asked the membership to review the minutes from the October 17, 2000 general meeting.

**MOTION #1 11-21-2000** Tim Bennett put forth a motion to accept the minutes of the October 17, 2000 general meeting as printed in the flyer. Seconded by Judie Goblirsch. Carried.

### REPORTS

*Secretary* - Joady Ulrich had nothing to report.

*Treasurer* - Frank Shepley gave his annual report of expenses over the year. Our total operating income was \$3,118.29. We made a profit of \$1,900.00. Our total revenue was \$5,637.14. Operating expenses were \$4,539.55 and our net income was \$575.67. The President mentioned during the financial report that St. Clair Collage accepted our bid of \$500.00 to purchase the observatory and contents.

*National Council Rep.* - Tim Bennett had nothing to report.

*Librarian* - Tom Sharron was absent.

*Public Education* - Randy Groundwater had flyers from the Centre for Learning available for members to review.

*Phone* - Randy Groundwater asked the membership to give the committee members a round of applause.

*Editor* - Steve Mastellotto mentioned he needs articles for the next issue of the newsletter.

### BUSINESS

President presented Larry Burgess and David Marchand with a RASC Messier Certificate.

*National Council Rep.* - Tim Bennett presented a copy and handouts of the proposed changes to the Windsor Centre Bylaws which were reviewed by the membership.

**MOTION # 2 -11-21-2000** Tim Bennett asked for a vote from the membership to accept the proposed changes to the bylaw. Motion was passed by the membership with a unanimous vote.

Tim Bennett presented a nomination list for elected officers for the 2001 membership year.

A vote was held by the membership to elect the officers for the 2001 year.

President - Randy Groundwater. Vote was unanimous.  
1st Vice-President - Steve Mastellotto. Vote was unanimous.  
2nd Vice-President - Robin Smallwood. Vote was unanimous.  
Treasurer - Frank Shepley. Vote was unanimous.  
Secretary - Joady Ulrich. Vote was unanimous.  
National Council Rep. - Frank Shepley. Vote was unanimous.

Tim Bennett presented a list of appointed officers for the 2001 membership year.

A vote was held for the position of Recording Secretary. V. John Beaudoin was elected as Recording Secretary by unanimous vote.

A vote was held for the position of Librarian. Tom Sharron was elected as Librarian by unanimous vote.

Tim Bennett presented a list of councilors for the 2001 membership year and handed out a voting ballot to the members noting a maximum of 12 to be selected.

President mentioned the December social to be held on the 1st of the month at St. Stephen's church.

*Director of Observing* - Robin Smallwood mentioned an observing session held at Dan Taylor's. Members observed an aurora event and the space station docking. On Halloween members observed a bright meteor.

50/50 draw was won by David Williamson - \$15.00

President asked visitors and new members to stand up and be recognized.

Tim Bennett read a list of the 12 new councilors for the 2001-membership year:

Susan Sawyer-Beaulieu	Harry Brydon	Tim Bennett
Larry Burgess	Lindsay Fish	Paul Preney
Ken Rount	Rob Hastings-Trew	Tom Sharron
Henry Lee	Steve Pellarin	V. John Beaudoin.

Randy Groundwater introduced the guest speaker for the evening, Dr. Krishan Duggal who did a lecture on Cosmology.

After the lecture Robin Smallwood presented Dr. Duggal with a RASC 2001 calendar and a Windsor Centre coffee mug.

Tim Bennett asked the membership to show their thanks to Susan Sawyer-Beaulieu for her 4 years as Centre president.

Tim Bennett asked the members to thank David Marchand, outgoing Recording Secretary for his three years of service.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:21 p.m.