



Notice board

Meetings diary

Items for this diary should be sent to the Journal Editor [hazelmgee@btinternet.com] as soon as dates and locations are known. Details of all astronomical meetings of regional or national interest are welcome. The Editor's decision on inclusion or otherwise of any meeting in this listing is final.

Saturday 2013 October 12

Back to Basics Workshop, 10:30–17:45, St Marys College, Wrestwood Rd., Bexhill-on-Sea, E. Sussex TN40 2LU. Contact the BAA office immediately for the last few remaining places.

Saturday 2013 October 19

Federation of Astronomical Societies Convention and AGM at the Institute of Astronomy, Cambridge. Details at <http://fedastro.org.uk/fas/convention/>

Wednesday 2013 October 30

BAA Annual General Meeting, 17:30–20:00, Burlington House, Piccadilly, London W1J 0DU. See notice below.

Saturday 2013 November 2

'Starfest III' convention, Colchester, organised by the North Essex Astronomical Society. See back cover.

Saturday 2013 November 23

Ordinary Meeting, 14.30–18:00, Burlington House, Piccadilly, London W1J 0DU. See notice below.

Saturday 2013 December 14

Ordinary Meeting & Christmas Lecture, 14.30–18:00, Burlington House, Piccadilly, London W1J 0DU. The BAA Christmas Lecture will be given by Prof Alan Fitzsimmons (Bel-fast) on the topic of 'Data-mining the solar system with Pan-STARRS'. Also Dr Richard

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Miles: 'Comet outbursts; a new insight' and Nick James, 'Sky notes'.

Saturday 2014 March 15

Deep Sky Section Meeting at 'The Deco', Abington Square, Northampton NN1 4AE. Full details of speakers etc. in the December *Journal*.

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Wednesday Oct 30, 17:30–20:00

at the RAS Meeting Room, Burlington House, Piccadilly, London W1J 0BQ

Annual General Meeting

Prof. Bill Leatherbarrow –
The Presidential Address

'The Amateur Astronomer –
Then and Now'

~ Sky Notes by Dr Stewart Moore ~

Confirmation of the Annual Report
and Accounts for 2012–2013

Saturday Nov 23, 14:30–18:00

at the RAS Meeting Room, Burlington House, Piccadilly, London W1J 0BQ

Ordinary Meeting

Dr Peter Grindrod (UCL)

'Exploring Mars: *Curiosity*, water and life'

Dr Susanne Schwenzer (Open Uni.)

'*Curiosity* at Gale Crater: mineralogy and more'

~ Sky Notes by Callum Potter ~

All welcome, admission free