

Thaxted Astronomical Society

Committee
Meetings

CG0002

Wed 19th Jul 2023

Committee Meeting Of The Thaxted Astronomical Society

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Committee Meeting



Wednesday 19th July 2023

Standing Agenda

**Mins from Last Meeting
Financial Report
AOBs**

16 Committee Meetings

- 16.1 Committee Meetings will be held at least four times a year.
- 16.2 A quorum shall be three members of the Committee to make the proceedings of that meeting valid.
- 16.3 Minutes shall be kept of the meeting of the Committee and the minutes of each meeting shall be read as the first business of the next ensuing meeting.
- 16.4 Committee Meetings to normally be held on a Wednesday evening before the commencement of the ordinary Meeting and **ideally prior to, but as close as possible to**, the following dates so as to be ahead of the commencement of the next quarterly subscription period.
- 1st January
 - 1st April
 - **1st July**
 - 1st October

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Minutes Last Meeting

Financial Update

AOB

AOB001 Public Liability Insurance

AOB002 Child Protection Policy

AOB003 Young Astronomers Club

AOB004 Out Reaching

AOB005 Club Planetarium

AOB006 Quiz Night 24th May

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Minutes Last Meeting

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Thaxted Astronomical Society

Committee Meeting



Tuesday 16th May 2023

Standing Agenda

**Mins from Last Meeting
Financial Report
AOB**

Attendees

Steve Evers
Rocky Grant
Ray Williams

Apologies

Graham Young
Paul Wilkins

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These Mins of this specific meeting are based upon both the discussions held and conclusions reach along with the following supporting Presentation

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Tue 16th May 2023

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1 Mins From Last Meeting

1.1 First CM Meeting. Hence, No previous Mins.

2 Financial Report

- 2.1 TAS is currently in the process of opening a Business Acct. with Lloyds Banking
- 2.2 Once this Acct is open SteveE will then transfer all of the existing club funds of £464 out of his own personal account into the TAS Acct
- 2.3 SE is also holding a cheque for £299 from the Youth Centre in payment for the Planetarium. SE will also pay this cheque into the TAS Bank Acct once it is confirmed working
- 2.4 TAS currently owes SE approx. £250 personal loan to part fund the purchase of the new DWARF2 Telescope
- 2.5 TAS also currently owes SE approx. £299 personal loan to fund the purchase of the Planetarium

3 AOB Public Liability Insurances

- 3.1 TAS has now acquired PLI through FAS
- 3.2 The PLI does NOT cover personal Injury
- 3.3 Conclusion > to continue with the TAS Insurance Wavier declaration to overcome this limitation

4 AOB Child Protection Policy

- 4.1 Contra to earlier indications FAS does not produce a CPP that can be cloned. FAS only provide Guidelines
- 4.2 Conclusion > RW to provide SE with a copy of the Thaxted Youth Clubs CPP that can be cloned and used as the basis for TAS CPP

5 AOB Young Astronomers Club

- 5.1 SE unwilling to progress this further until TAS has an approved CPP

6 AOB Out Reaching > Scouting Association

- 6.1 There are currently approx. 160 children registered with the Thaxted Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Rovers, each wanting to undertake their relevant Astronomy Badge
- 6.2 Still waiting for Rory to process SE DBS and registration as a Skills Instructor
- 6.3 Conclusion > SE to chase up Rory

7 AOB Club Planetarium

- 7.1 SE still developing the scripts
- 7.2 Hoping to demonstrate the product, in the near future, to Members of TAS

8 AOB Quiz Night 24th May

- 8.1 Hall Booked
- 8.2 Need to apply for Temp Event Notice (TEN) for the sale of Alcohol
- 8.3 We need to sell 18 tickets to break even on costs

Treasurer's Update

Bank Account > N0w Operational >

DATE ▲	DESCRIPTION	TYPE ?	IN (£)	OUT (£)	BALANCE (£)
23 Jun 23	EVERS S J SUBS ANDY ANN RP4659988030665500 207405 10 23JUN23 07:27	FPI	10.00		400.60
23 Jun 23	EVERS S J SUBS URSULA MIKE RP4659988030386800 207405 10 23JUN23 07:26	FPI	10.00		390.60
12 Jun 23	STEPHEN JOHN EVERS 500000001148331533 TAS REIMBURSEMENT 089300 10 12JUN23 15:04	FPO		602.00	380.60
12 Jun 23	MR S & MRS S B EVE 000000000272932139 089300 10 12JUN23 14:47	FPI	219.31		982.60
09 May 23	NIGHT SAFE	DEP	299.00		763.29
04 May 23	EVERS S + EVERS BALANCE TRANSFER RP4679969749924600 202273 10 04MAY23 14:35	FPI	464.29		464.29

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Financial Statement >

£ 410.60 Current Balance

Less Commitments >

£ 50.40 Less > Year 3 Web Site Dec 2023 3 of 3 Payments Steve Evers

Less Annual Running Costs

£ 20.00 Less > Membership of FAS

£ 20.00 Less > Public Liability Insurance

£ 100.00 Sub Balance

£ 310.00 Balance

Going Forward >

Retain some funds for any rainy days expenditure > How much >

Use remaining funds to purchase additional equipment? > What Equipment?

Use remaining funds to purchase additional equipment? > What Equipment?



Binoculars 20×80 Plus Stand

Astrophotography Star Tracker



Solar Telescope > £90



NATIONAL GEPGRAPHIC Telescope with Solar Filter

The **NATIONAL GEPGRAPHIC Newton telescope with solar filter** is a highlight in its own right! The classic reflector telescope comes with everything you need to start directly.

The azimuth mount is very easy to handle, which makes this telescope especially recommendable for beginners. The highlight of this device is, however, the sun filter!

This **tested sun filter** not only allows you to observe the astro but also the sun.

A **Smartphone holder** gives you the opportunity to share your pictures and videos

Details

- Lens diameter: 76 mm
- Focal range: 350 mm
- Enlargement: 18x-175x
- suitable for sun and sky observation
- extensive accessory package for immediate start
- smartphone holder for photography with mobile phone
- easy to use azimuth mount
- comes completely pre-assembled - it can be observed immediately without screwing



HDMI Projector



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Child Protection Policy

Child Protection Policy > AOB

Constitution Of the Thaxted Astronomical Society

19 Child Protection Policy

- 19.1 The Society conforms to our high standards of child protection policies and further details are in a separate document.

TAS Child Protection Policy >

From my own perspective..

My original assumption.. back in Dec last year.. was.. rather than reinventing the wheel.. to simply clone the Thaxted Youth Club CPP

But then.. having most un-expectantly joined FAS.. as an Astronomy based adventure.. I thought it might be better if we were to clone their CPP that was being advertised on the FAS web sheet...

It then turned out that this information was no longer being supported by FAS.. instead they were now only providing Guidance..

To that extent FAS then sent me links to six different Astro society CPPs

At that point I thought.. rather than again reinventing the wheel.. I would just **clone one of these existing CPPs..**

...choosing **the York CPP** as it seemed to be the best of the bunch..

...and then **adding in some additional info from the FAS guidelines...**

...and then.. to try and provided some consistency in approach.. **reformatting the content into the same style as previously employed for other TAS word documents**

Child Protection Policy >

Child Protection Policy Of The Thaxted Astronomical Society

Thaxted Astronomical Society

Child Protection Policy



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Child Protection Policy Of The Thaxted Astronomical Society

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Child Protection Policy >

From: ThaxtedAS [mailto:ThaxtedAS@BTInternet.com]
Sent: 06 July 2023 16:45
To: 'membership@fedastro.org.uk'
Subject: TAS > Child Protection Policy
Hi William...

I have now created a draft Child Protection Policy for TAS.. Based upon the following...

- Cloning the York CPP as it seemed to be the best of the bunch..
- And then adding in some additional info from the FAS guidelines regarding members conducts
- And then.. to try and provided some consistency in approach.. reformatting the content into the same style as previously employed for other TAS word documents such as the TAS Constitution document

I then passed the document on to TAS committee members for approval

Whilst the TAS Committee members were generally happy with the content...

Unfortunately they do not consider themselves to be experts in this matter

And hence would value a 2nd opinion from.. for example.. the FAS welfare officer

Please.. are you or a colleague able to review this document and then give feedback as to its suitability...
i.e. would you consider this document to be fit-for-purpose..

Or..

Is there anything you feel is fundamentally wrong

Or anything missing that you would recommend be integrated into this document ???

Child Protection Policy >

To Summarise >

Under the terms of our FAS led PLI we are **required** to have in place an agreed / approved / Implemented Child Protection Policy

Especially as TAS already have members that could be considered venerable persons

Until TAS has an agreed / approved / Implemented Child Protection Policy then **I am not personally willing to actively** undertake any of the following activity's that would require additional support from other members of TAS

- TAS Young Astronomers Club
- Out Reaching to local Schools, Clubs
- Public Star Party
- Planetarium Shows

With respect to the Scouting and Girl Guiding Associations... the approach is to register myself as a Skills instructor and be DBS and Safeguarded directly through their own organisational process

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Young Astronomers Club

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AOB004 >

Out Reaching

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From: ThaxtedAS [mailto:ThaxtedAS@BTInternet.com]

Sent: 02 May 2023 07:06

To: 'Rory Wilson'

Subject: RE: TAS > OutReaching To Thaxted Scouts

Rory..

Following on from our previous meeting..

I / we Thaxted Astronomical Society still have a wish to help the local scouting association to progress the local Beavers, Cubs and Scouts in obtaining their relevant Astronomy Badges

From memory.. Next Actions.. were.. >

Rory > To set up SE with an account to access the Scouting App, limited to aspects related to Astronomy >
DONE

Rory > To arrange for SE to be listed as a Skills Instructor

Rory > To arrange for SE to be Scouts DBS Accredited

Rory > To arrange for SE to undertake Scouts Safeguarding Course

Rory > To arrange for SE to undertake Scouts Health & Safety Course

Although, for now, it is too light in the early evenings for astronomy..

Please.. I would like to “Be Prepared” and ready to start the program going from the start of the next viewing season.. i.e. September onwards..

Hence.. please.. can we look to progress these next actions ASAP

TAS >

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From: ThaxtedAS [mailto:ThaxtedAS@BTInternet.com]
Sent: 03 May 2023 06:27
To: 'Rory Wilson'
Subject: RE: TAS > OutReaching To Thaxted Scouts

Rory

Please find attached, scans off...

- Passport
- ID UDC Rates Bill
- ID HSBC Visa Card Statement

Please advise if your require any further information to progress my registrations

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230503 > All documentation supplied to Rory >

230719 > No response > Will chase him again..

TAS >

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AOB005 >

Club Planetarium

<https://www.segatoys.space/en/public/flux.html>

Heads Up

CANCELLED

Thaxted Planetarium's... The Sky AT Night...

This coming Wed 28th June 2023 The Pavilion on Thaxted Rec.

Thaxted Rangers apologies but due to an Issue arising the Pavilion is currently unavailable to host any events

Once the issue has been resolved then we will be able to rearrange our event

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Its more of a administrative show stopper then an expense... and **sadly.. its all my fault..**

i asked what was **the max no of people allowed in the pavilion** through the fire regulations..

no one seems to have asked that question before..

Now **they are having to get the pavilion checked by the fire service..** whoops..

And hence they have had to cancel a number of other events.. double whoops...

Agenda >

AOB006 >

Quiz Night 24th May

Team Totals >

Ticket Sales >

Table	Seat	Ticket	Sold	Name
			39	

Table 01	1	1	1	Jamie Lidster
	2	2	1	Jamie Lidster
	3	3	1	Jamie Lidster
	4	4	1	Jamie Lidster
	5	5	1	Jamie Lidster
	6	6	1	Jamie Lidster
	7	7		
	8	8		
Table 02	1	9	1	Lorraine Bright
	2	10	1	Lorraine Bright
	3	11	1	Lorraine Bright
	4	12	1	Lorraine Bright
	5	13	1	Lorraine Bright
	6	14	1	Lorraine Bright
	7	15	1	Lorraine Bright
	8	16	1	Lorraine Bright
Table 03	1	17	1	Tina Sherman
	2	18	1	Tina Sherman
	3	19	1	Tina Sherman
	4	20	1	Tina Sherman
	5	21	1	Tina Sherman
	6	22		
	7	23		
	8	24		
Table 04	1	25	1	Simon Payne
	2	26	1	Simon Payne
	3	27	1	Simon Payne
	4	28	1	Simon Payne
	5	29		
	6	30		
	7	31		
	8	32		

Table 05	1	33	1	Sally Weet
	2	34	1	Chris Weet
	3	35	1	Clare
	4	36	1	Leanna
	5	37	1	Clare
	6	38	1	Donna
	7	39	1	Toby
	8	40	1	Michael
Table 06	1	41	1	Fiona Hutchings
	2	42	1	Fiona Hutchings
	3	43	1	Fiona Hutchings
	4	44	1	Fiona Hutchings
	5	45	1	Fiona Hutchings
	6	46	1	Mary
	7	47		
	8	48		
Table 07	1	49	1	Derek Martin
	2	50	1	Derek Martin
	3	51		
	4	52		
	5	53		
	6	54		
	7	55		
	8	56		
Table 08	1	57		
	2	58		
	3	59		
	4	60		
	5	61		
	6	62		
	7	63		
	8	64		

Table 09	1	65		
	2	66		
	3	67		
	4	68		
	5	69		
	6	70		
	7	71		
	8	72		
Table 10	1	73		
	2	74		
	3	75		
	4	76		
	5	77		
	6	78		
	7	79		
	8	80		
Table 11	1	81		
	2	82		
	3	83		
	4	84		
	5	85		
	6	86		
	7	87		
	8	88		
Table 12	1	89		
	2	90		
	3	91		
	4	92		
	5	93		
	6	94		
	7	95		
	8	N/a		

Team Totals >

And The Winners Are...

At the end of the evening we will award a number of simple and non-expensive token prizes

The team members with the least points each gets a Star

The Runners Up team members will each get their own Planet to terraform

The Winning team members will each get their own Galaxy to Rule

The main prize for this event is the knowledge that you may have gained along with the fun that we hope you had from participating in this quiz

Along with the buzz that your money has been donate to our worthy cause.. Thank You ALL..

Table	Team Name	Joker	R1	R2	R3	R4	Pic 1	R5	R6	R7	R8	Pic 2	Total	
			GenKnow	CityLocs	WhereAml	Obscure	Anagrams	Sport	Music	FoodDrink	FilmTv	Cartoons	Points	
2	Lorraine	Tequila Mocking Bird	R7	6	6	4	4	9	5.5	5	20	7.5	14	81
6	Fiona	Shooting Stars	R7	6	9	4	4.5	9	7	2	16	8.5	15	81
5	Chris	The Clangers	R8	5	6	6	3	9	12	3	8	13	15	80
1	Jamie	The Discombobulations!!	R7	3	5	6	1	8	9	2	18	6.5	14	72.5
4	Simon	We didn't plan it (planet)	R1	8	8	5	3	6	9	2	8	6	15	70
3	Tina	Twinkle	R6	5	5	6	4.5	5	7	12	11	3	11	69.5

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Financial Conclusion >

Total Takings	398.00
Less	
Total > Upfront Costs	178.69
Sub-Profit	219.31 >>> Pay To Bank Acct
Less	
Hall Rental	42.50 >>> Reclaim
TEN Licence	21.00 >>> Reclaim
	(63.50)
Final Profit	£155.81

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AOB007 >

Web Site Storage

<https://www.wix.com/premium-add-on/storage?msid=2312aa07-eac6-402b-b549-89c72620c3a8>

You have 262 MB of storage left. Upgrade for more space.

9.7 GB used out of 10.0 GB 

RECOMMENDED

200 GB

£ 3⁷⁵ /month

Billed yearly

Not including VAT

✓ 200 GB of storage

✓ 20,000+ photos

Select

500 GB

£ 5²⁵ /month

Billed yearly

Not including VAT

✓ 500 GB of storage

✓ 50,000+ photos

Select

1 TB

£ 6⁷⁵ /month

Billed yearly

Not including VAT

✓ 1 TB of storage

✓ 100,000+ photos

Select

