

A.S.T.R.O. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
held Friday September 12, 2008 at 8:00 p.m.
Clarence Gardens Community Centre.

Election of Offices

CHAIRPERSON	Bob	Moved	Seconded
VICE-CHAIRPERSON	Michael	Moved	Seconded
SECRETARY	Julianne	Moved	Seconded
AUDIO/VISUAL	Ashley	Moved	Seconded
TREASURER	Matthew	Moved	Seconded
WEBMASTERS	Cecilia/Ashley	Moved	Seconded
PROPERTIES	Andrew	Re-accepted position	
CATERING	Peter	Re-accepted position	

Matthew moved that Committee meet within in 2 months Seconded

ATTENDANCE 36 Members

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer reported that due to good attendances during the past year finances are healthy. The Treasurer praised the attendance and encouraged all members to bring along an extra person to continue this healthy growth. The Treasurer advised that more recent use of paper cups by the group (for the purpose of saving on washing up of crockery) had unnecessarily depleted finances. In addition he made the point that the use of paper products for this purpose was not in the interests of the environment and that all members need to be responsible for washing their own eating utensils.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

The Chairperson reported that he had been pleased with the activities of the group over the previous year. The Chairperson openly called for suggestions from the floor in the way of 'directions for the coming year' and for potential speakers and topics of interest. This topic was well received by the meeting and many suggestions were put forward –

Matthew advised there were potential speakers from B.E.C.

Suggestions:

- Get more projects on the table
- Facilitate the contacting other people within the group with similar interests
- Facilitate the interacting / sharing of materials and resources
- Posting interests against names on a permanent board displayed at meeting
- Midyear function in addition to Christmas function to foster social interaction
- Mitcham Village Park proposed as likely venue for this – BBQ's on site etc.

At the end of this discussion The Treasurer moved that a permanent white board should be purchased - approved

A vote of thanks was put forward from the floor to the previous Committee for all their work.

There was a short presentation on each of following topics by individual members

- George - Controllers
- Chris - Torque converter / Shauberger
Griggs / Schauburger
Ultrasonic cavitation, molecular bonding,
- Discussion - Griggs / Efficiency of heat pumps for generation of hot water
Sth Aust internal combustion engine
- Sam - Wind energy research group – speaker Chris Ellert....
- Discussion - Cottonseed oil can be heated to 600 degrees C
- Andrew - Gravity wheel (progress report)
- Peter - Occult chemistry / modern physics, Electrolysed Water Device
- - Request for assistance with diesel engine in motor home, biodiesel
- Ken - Cavitation, Russian underwater rocket, vortex separator
- Discussion - Water boils at room temperature in vacuum.

- 10:10 pm Meeting close followed by supper