

National Australian Convention of Amateur Astronomy



NACAA-22

Hosted by the Mornington Peninsula Astronomical Society
Frankston, Victoria
April 14-17, 2006

Amateur Astronomical Science – Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow

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Call for Expressions on Interest to Present Papers or Posters

NACAA conventions have been held across Australia since their inception in 1967 and continue to be one of Australia's premier amateur astronomical events. NACAA provides an opportunity to meet both amateur and professional astronomers to share experiences, ideas and explore research within the current amateur astronomical scene.

Astronomy is a fast changing science with new ideas, new instrumentation and new opportunities for exploring the universe whilst having fun. The NACAA brings together astronomically interested persons of all ages and all skills helping to stimulate new ideas and make new friends.

The Mornington Peninsula Astronomical Society invites submissions for publishable papers, posters and photographs.

Publishable Papers

Publishable papers are presented at the working sessions. Each paper presentation should be planned for a 30 minute time slot. Normally this is 20 minutes presentation with 10 minutes for questions. For planning purposes papers will be categorized under the general themes of Instrumentation, Observational Methods, Research Projects, History and Miscellaneous.

Papers will be published onto a convention CD and convention proceedings. Presenters are required to release copyright of their submissions to allow for hardcopy and electronic publication. This is for publication purposes only. Intellectual and ongoing publication copyright remains at all times with the author. Authors should refer to the NACAA website for paper and poster guidelines.

Poster Papers

As a NACAA registrant you are free to display your own posters papers. We encourage you to plan your NACAA poster. The more posters, the better. Posters are your opportunity to show off your astronomical interests and projects or your society's activities. Poster displays are fixed paper presentations or multimedia presentations that will be displayed during the convention.

It is proposed at this NACAA to trial multimedia posters. PowerPoint or Video posters may be submitted and will be available for display using a data projector. Multimedia posters will be included in the proceedings CD. While it is not necessary to personally present poster papers, there will be times allocated for presenters to answer questions. Alternatively poster presenters may choose to give a Take-10 talk at one of the workshop sessions.

It is also not necessary to attend NACAA to display a poster. Unattended posters may be submitted at a nominal handling fee of \$10 per poster. These will be mounted and displayed by MPAS personnel.



Photo Gallery.

A display area will be set aside for astronomically related photographs.

- Astrophotography
- Society Events
- Instruments
- Observatories
- Group Photos.

Facilities available

A full range of audio/visual equipment will be available including slide projectors, video projectors, whiteboards and pin boards.

Reserved Rights – Committee reserves the right to accept, reject or modify submitted papers, posters or other materials

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| PERSONAL DETAILS | | | |
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| First Name | | Last Name | |
| Postal Address | | Postcode | |
| Telephone | | Society | |
| E-Mail | | | |

Do you wish to present a:

- Full paper (30 minute presentation & questions)
 Poster paper [Hard Copy / Multi-Media]
 Take-10 [Workshops Only]

CATEGORIES

- Instrumentation
 Observational Methods
 Research Projects
 History
 Miscellaneous

Title of Presentation: _____

Paper Brief

DEADLINES:

Registration of Intent
Full copy for publication in Proceedings

by December 10, 2005
by January 31, 2006

Upon receipt of this form, we will send a copy of the Presenters Guide to assist you in the preparation and presentation of your paper.

RETURN THIS FORM TO
CONVENOR, NACAA 2006, P.O.BOX 596, FRANKSTON VIC. 3199