
ACTIVITIES OF THE SOCIETY

The Royal Astronomical Society of Canada exists for the purpose of disseminating information concerning Astronomy and related studies, and to foster active work in Astronomy, especially among amateurs. To these ends numerous Centres are located throughout the nation carrying out programs of lectures and observation. Of these, the Victoria Centre is one of the largest and most active. This centre offers the following special attractions in addition to the lecture program:

Telescope Making Section: A group of amateur meeting under expert guidance, are enabled to construct telescopes at the minimum of expense. Workshop and testing facilities are available and excellent instruments have been produced.

Library: The Centre possesses a library of about one hundred volumes together with many pamphlets and reprints. Members may thus draw upon a wide selection of popular and technical works.

Observing: Available to members are an eight inch telescope and excellent observing site. Observation groups may thus meet to study the heavens at first-hand and to make observations of value to science.

PROGRAMME

1943-44

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Wednesday

October 13 "Straight Lines and Circles in Navigation"

Lt. Cmdr. C.A. McDonald,

Wednesday

November 10 "Recent Improvements of Telescopes and Their Optical Auxiliaries"

Dr. A. McKellar — Dominion Astrophysical Observatory.

Friday

December 17 "Annual Society Dinner" ---
Programme to be Announced Later.

1944

Wednesday

January 12 "Instruments for Analysing Star Light"

Dr. C.S. Beals — Dominion Astrophysical Observatory.

Wednesday

February 9 "The Earth — Past, Present and Future".

Dr. K.O. Wright — Dominion Astrophysical Observatory.

Wednesday

March 8 "The Solar Family"
W.R. Hobday.

Wednesday

April 12 "The Nature of the Galaxies"
Dr. William Petrie
