Stour Astronomical Society - Survey

Dear Member or Visitor,   December 2023

Its 20 years since Stour Astronomical Society (SAS) was founded and in that period we have achieved great success in bringing knowledge of the night sky to our membership and visitors alike.

In the early days, we enjoyed the talks given by Dr Kevin Marshall – one of our founders – and Tony Dagnall – a dedicated astronomer and keen member. We have also had the privilege of welcoming guest speakers of local, national or international renown, many coming from top university departments to relate up-to-the-minute results of their research.

Despite the interruption of the covid pandemic lockdowns, SAS has continued to inform and educate, thanks to the hard work of Glynn Parsley with assistance from Pete Simms and a team of volunteers who set up at each meeting plus our webmaster Kevin Williamson. And, we still enjoy superb talks from within our audience – Peter Grimwood in October and Alan Ryder in November as excellent examples.

SAS is a non-profit organisation. It has expenses including the fee for the Memorial Hall, heating, guest speakers' fees and travel costs, insurance and refreshments. Currently we do not have annual membership but rely on £4.00 per meeting per visitor.

Glynn, after many years or service, has signalled his intention to retire from running SAS after the April 2024 meeting. We are therefore seeking new organisers to come forward. The more we get, the easier will be the effort required by each. A team of 3-4 people would be ideal.

Please, therefore, consider giving just a few hours each month to helping SAS to continue into the future.

Do you enjoy the subject matter presented by SAS at monthly meetings   YES   NO

Do you wish SAS to continue YES   NO

Would you be prepared to assist in some way each month as part of a team to help SAS to continue
                                                                                    YES   NO

If YES, please advise your name and contact details below :-

Name ....

Phone ....

email ....

Responses may also be emailed to :- secretary@stourastro.org.uk

Glynn and the current team will be on hand to provide all the information you need to make a future success of SAS.

Thank you
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