

June's meeting was accompanied by clear skies for once in a mainly cloudy month. Only 2 days before the nights start drawing in! Bob Mizon gave us a report on Arthur Davies who is recovering in a local nursing home. I'm sure we all wish our President a speedy recovery and hope to see him soon.

The main talk of the evening was by James Fradgley on "The Story of Radio Astronomy". As ever from James, this was a very entertaining and information dense journey through the history of Radio Astronomy as a discipline and a look at some of the discoveries which have been made *via* the radio frequency part of the spectrum.

Bob's "Objects of the Month" are in the constellations of Capricornus and Aquarius – becoming visible in the morning sky over the next month or so. The objects included M30 and NGC7009 – the "Saturn" nebula. Terry Evans followed with some images of changes on the face of Jupiter - where the Great Red Spot appears to be shrinking and the Equatorial Zone is darkening – and changes in NGC6729 (a variable nebula in Corona Australis) which shows changes over a fortnight. As a foretaste of next month's talk, Bill Reed showed a LRGB image of M51 taken over many nights and producing a colourful final result.

Next month's meeting is on the 17<sup>th</sup> July and the talk will be given by Bill on "Narrowband Imaging".