

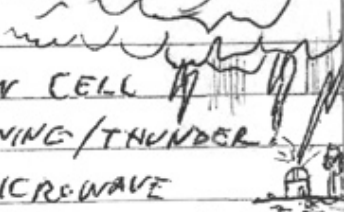
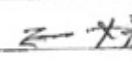
2008

- 4/12/08 W. Thomas here. Snow blocked 421A so I
walked the last part. Power is @ 21VAC.
Will call SCE to fix. Likely a blown fuse
near Hwy 2.
- 4-26-08 JOHN STEPHENSON, JEFF SCHROEDER
NO POWER. REPLACED SMOKE DETECTOR BATTERIES.
down to 1.1 volts on 10/11/08
- 6-6-08 JOHN STEPHENSON, JEFF SCHROEDER.
STILL NO POWER. ALL ELSE WELL.
- 6/19/08 W. Thomas here. Power is on. Don't know why it wasn't on
for John & Jeff. since SCE repaired fallen spans within a week
of my call in April. Everything appears in working order. Spent
some time w/ Jupiter & Saturn. Slightly windy & seeing at
high power mostly poor.
- 6-21-08 Stephenson - Came up to Escape. Heats from 110°
60°F Seeing Poor, CD Player Dead
- 6-22-08 JEFF SCHROEDER, JOHN STEPHENSON. ESCAPING HEAT,
HIKED TO TOP OF GADEN-POWELL IN AFTERNOON. TOO
TIRED & SORE TO SET UP SCOPE!
- 6-28-08 JEFF SCHROEDER, JOHN STEPHENSON, KATA SLAMA.
65° 70% NICE NIGHT, HEAVY HAZE IN VALLEYS, SMOKE PLUME
UP NEAR INYOKERN. M13, 51, 97, 57, 108, MANY NGC
IN URSA MAJOR. NICE SHADOW TRANSIT ON JUPITER (19)


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7-4-08 JEFF S., JOHN S., KATA S. FIRE PATROL/4400
MONITORING. (DRUNK ON TOP OF THE TOWER) FINE
DARK SKY, LOUSY SEEING. FIREWORK IN THE
VALLEY WATCHED, ICE CREAM & KAHLUA CONSUMED FOR
INDEPENDANCE DAY.

7-12-08 JEFF S., JOHN S., KATA S. 
66°F GOT HERE AT 7:30 PST. THUNDERSTORM CELL
100% ARRIVED 40 MIN. LATER. LOTS OF LIGHTNING/THUNDER
EVIL BIOLOGICAL ROLL CLOUD CAME OVER MICROWAVE
TOWER AND BURIED US IN THE FOG. WEIRD SUNSET (DUH).
JOHN PUT DRIP PAN UNDER LEAK IN DOME. 

8/2-3/08

8/2-3/08 JEFF SCHROEDER, KATA SCAMA, JOHN STEPHENSON.
66°F 66% CLEAR, LIGHT BREEZE, EXCELLENT SEEING. SAW EXTREMELY
THIN CRESCENT MOON AT 8:45 ON HORIZON IN WEST.
CRESCENT VERTICAL FACING NORTH 
RED SPOT HOLLOW ON JUPITER VERY APPARENT. -8 FIREBALL IN
SCORPIUS 10 SECONDS AFTER I CLOSED THE SHUTTER ON A
STAR TRAIL SHOT. GRRRR!!!
M 4, 6, 7, 8, 11, 20, 15, 31, 22, 10. IN TAIL OF SCORPIUS. BEST VIEW
OF COMPANION OF ANTARES THAT I'VE HAD IN MANY YEARS!
NU SCORPIUS SPLIT BOTH COMPONENTS. DOUBLE CLUSTER.
LOTS OF METEORS, MOST LIKELY DELTA AQUARIDS.

9-20-08

-20-08 JEFF SCHROEDER, KATA SCAMA, JOHN STEPHENSON
% 57°F CLEAR, MODERATE BREEZE DIMINISHING LATER. FAIR SEEING
66% IMPROVING TO GOOD BY 11:20 PM. JUPITER, M 22, M 11, M 15
M 31/22, NGC 7331, STEPHAN'S QUINTET WELL SEEN! NGC 7814,
NGC 891, MOON ENDED NICE OBSERVING SESSION.

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2008

10/11/08 W. Thomas here. Cold but clear skies. Replaced
 25°F batteries in clocks & smoke/co detector. Jupiter, in particular,
 68% RH very contrasty, tonight's Moon, ^{the last} although bright wasn't much of
 a problem. No wind but very cold. Gave roof a quick inspection
 & it looks good. Seems still down of previous repair job. Last years repair
 on shutter seal seems to be ok also.

10-25-08 JEFF SCHROEDER, KATA SLAMA, JOHN STEPHENSON. 0 WIND
 51°F 66% V. GOOD SEEING, JUPITER GORGEOUS! RED SPOT HOLLOW ON
 MERIDIAN AND VERY PROMINENT. GALILEAN MOONS DISKS.
 M 27, M 56, M 57, M 72, M 76, SATURN NEB (7009), NGC 7006
 NGC 891, NGC 253, EPSILON LYRA BEAUTIFUL, NICE OBSERVING
 NIGHT.

11/01/08 JEFF S., JOHN S., KATA S., BILL W., DENICE
 L. A SKY OBSERVING W/IT 'MASSIVE'
 THUNDERSTORMS, RAIN, WIND. 47°C IN
 THE DOOR.

11/26 G. Thomas here for Day Trips. Rain & sleet. 1/2 tray full
 38°F of water. Leak @ left side of upper shutter at middle
 joint location. Collects & drips from the left wheel. Got
 copy of lease which expires June 15, 2009. Note that micro
 wave facility was painted around August/Sept.

11/29 G. Thomas here. Clear sky slight wind Jupiter, Venus
 49°F present moon getting closer for Monday but tonight
 79% RH looks fine. Seamed here

2008-09

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12/12/08 Stephenson - Daytime Visit, to spread
Tarps and take home Personal property,
expect first Heavy Snow within next 24 Hrs.

1/9/10/09 W.G. Thomas died in. Thick icy & hard snow made for
a tough trip along w/ bitterly cold wind. Full
40°F moon and a crescent Venus were highlights of observing.
70%RH Not so bad for skys & night temps w/ no wind but dewing
of eye piece was a problem.

For general info regarding leaks. I've been here during
all kinds of weather both summer & winter. Since we redid
the roof, there are no leaks from it. We do get some
snow through the seams in the door if the wind is hard
enough and there is little that can be done about it. The
worst problem is by the computer where winds will drive
snow up thru the dome ring and it will wet & melt in
the curve above the desk. The curved board w/ plastic
will catch all of this and direct the water to the floor.
Covering the computer has not shown effective. The curved
board w/ plastic will work by itself.

We will always get some snow & summer rain through the shutter
so covering the telescope & the drive is wise full. Currently
we have a leak in the 2 upper shutter valves & using the
rod & string w/ washers is very effective to locate the plastic
trays to catch most of the water from pooling on the floor.

Covering other items hasn't been that effective but doesn't hurt. Except
for the computer. W/ the curved board & plastic, covering the
computer will most often retain water over it & in it from the plastic.