

Jim - Do you have any exhibit material for the Tucson ALPO Convention? There has been little or no response from the Jupiter, Saturn & Mars Recorders, so there won't be duplication.

Thanks for your help,  
Dennis Milon

A.L.P.O. COMETS SECTION

Aug. 19, 1966

Comet Bardon 1966c. Discovered with the 48-inch Schmidt at Palomar. Magnitude uncertain. Aug. 15, 9h52m UT. Epoch 1950 R.A. 0° 46.2m Dec. +05° 05'.

Daily Motion R.A. 1° East. Dec. 15° South.  
Tail less than 10°. 9th magnitude.

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Comet Kiston Aug. 8, 1950 coordinates  
R.A. 17h54.3m Dec. +21°40' Mag. 11. Central condensation  
Motion per days R.A. 2 min. East. Dec. 21min. South

Obs. by McCants, Houston, 8° Aug 11 UT. R.A. 17h54.7m Aug. 1  
Dec. +20° 41' Mag. 9.5 Diameter 1° Sharply defined.

I will be at the WAA Convention Aug. 16-21 at the Sheraton Thunderbolt Hotel, Milbrae, California.

Try for mag. estimates. Good Seeing?

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New Comet Ikeya-Everhart 1966 d

Sept. 12, 1966

Obs. by Ikeya: 1966 Sept. 8.44 UT R.A. 13h 02m  
Mag. 8. Epoch 1950. Dec. + 22° 16'

Obs. by Everhart: 1966 Sept. 12.02 UT R.A. 13h 18m  
Mag. 9. Epoch 1950. Dec. + 20° 27'  
Diffuse with condensation

Walter Scott Houston advises us that when using AAVSO charts for comet mag. comparisons, we should be careful when the comparison stars are red. Most comets are blue. A long stare will make the star appear brighter. So just make a quick glance when using red stars.

Dennis Milon

Jim - Thanks for the Saturn drawing, which I'll put on display. Both Mc Cants' + Cunningham's orbits show that Kiston will not get much brighter. McCants' orbit will be sent when more definitive. Walter Scott Houston reports "mag 9.8 in 10" Aug 14 UT 1/2° halo and 1° very faint tail 1° tail confirmed by several other observers at Stellafane with Houston. Do you have any slides of ~~Canadian~~ Canadian comet observers I could show at the ALPO Convention? Yourself at a scope, etc.

Dennis