
Mauna Loa Solar Observatory Observer's Log

Mon Jun 29 17:11:37 GMT 2015

Year: 15 Doy: 180

Observer: berkey

WEATHER COMMENT: berkey: Mon Jun 29 17:14:32 GMT 2015

Temp: 49.2f, Humidity: 7%, Pressure: 28.731in, Wind: 4mph from the south, Skies: patchy cirrus covering the sky. Delaying start of observing until things clear.

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KCOR COMMENT BY berkey: Mon Jun 29 17:48:53 GMT 2015

Changed the t/r cam focus values to NaN in the fits headers. Values were set to 0 after we pulled out the focus motors.

Took 2 fits images with the dome closed and the values seem to get populated correctly.

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Mon Jun 29 19:33:01 GMT 2015 COMP Start Patrol

Mon Jun 29 19:34:03 GMT 2015 KCOR Start Synoptic Patrol

Mon Jun 29 20:03:55 GMT 2015 KCOR End Patrol

Mon Jun 29 20:05:08 GMT 2015 KCOR Start Synoptic Patrol

Mon Jun 29 20:08:47 GMT 2015 KCOR End Patrol

Mon Jun 29 20:11:58 GMT 2015 COMP End Patrol

Mon Jun 29 20:16:12 GMT 2015 COMP Start Patrol

Mon Jun 29 20:19:49 GMT 2015 KCOR Start Synoptic Patrol

Mon Jun 29 21:01:05 GMT 2015 KCOR End Patrol

Mon Jun 29 21:01:16 GMT 2015 CoMP Paused for clouds

Mon Jun 29 21:10:36 GMT 2015 CoMP Restarted from pause

Mon Jun 29 21:11:41 GMT 2015 KCOR Start Synoptic Patrol

Mon Jun 29 21:17:38 GMT 2015 KCOR End Patrol

Mon Jun 29 21:18:03 GMT 2015 CoMP Paused for clouds

Mon Jun 29 21:19:20 GMT 2015 CoMP Restarted from pause

Mon Jun 29 21:21:02 GMT 2015 COMP End Patrol

GENERAL COMMENT BY berkey: Mon Jun 29 21:46:18 GMT 2015

Dome has been closed again. orthographic clouds have moved in and closed out the sky.

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KCOR COMMENT BY berkey: Tue Jun 30 00:42:21 GMT 2015

Did some kcor focusing work with Alfred.

R-cam had a small focus shift

T-cam we did about 1 turn of tip in Y and then adjusted the overall focus its looking good now.

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KCOR COMMENT BY berkey: Tue Jun 30 00:46:52 GMT 2015

Taking some distortion grid data with the following config:

Lamp in the beam

Diffuser in the beam

6msec exposure.

Data is

20150629 00:42:51-00:46:09

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KCOR COMMENT BY berkey: Tue Jun 30 02:00:37 GMT 2015

Things have been reverted to the observing config.

Occulter reinstalled, distortion grid removed, and lamp removed.

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GENERAL COMMENT BY berkey: Tue Jun 30 02:01:43 GMT 2015

The new glass nozzle of the air tool was broken this afternoon while trying to move the ladder. Do we have a spare nozzle?

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PSPT COMMENT BY berkey: Tue Jun 30 02:15:00 GMT 2015

Did some poking around in the PSPT system.

Greg/Rob sent out some new fibers in case all of our spares on the mountain are bad. Testing with the new fibers I tried reading out the camera and got nothing. After this test I reverted back to the installed fiber since it already ran up the telescope safely instead of being draped across things.

Before getting to the fiber issue I noticed we were getting a bunch of errors on Sun that the sun machine could not see the xedar camera over serial. Looked like the JP61 cable had a few of its pins pulled back away from the connector including 4 and 5 which are associated with the xedar serial connector. After pushing these back into the connector I didn't get xedar errors. My guess is we have more of these issues, but these connectors are very very hard for me to work with, I have no idea how they were built and have a great deal of respect for whoever originally populated the 36+ pins. I have a hard enough time even seeing the conductors from the back of the connector it is a zoo and a mess. My guess is if/when we ever figure out the PSPT issues it will be in these multi pin cables.

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