
Mauna Loa Solar Observatory Observer's Log

Sun Sep 26 16:56:54 GMT 1999

Year: 99 Doy: 269

Observer: koon

Sun Sep 26 16:56:52 GMT 1999 CHIP Startup--Initializing new tape

WEATHER COMMENT: Sun Sep 26 16:57:04 GMT 1999

Clear sky, wind=5 mph from the SSW, temp=46 F.

Sun Sep 26 16:57:27 GMT 1999 PICS Start Patrol

Sun Sep 26 17:00:03 GMT 1999 MKIV Start Patrol

Sun Sep 26 17:00:59 GMT 1999 CHIP Bias

Sun Sep 26 17:01:49 GMT 1999 CHIP End Bias

Sun Sep 26 17:01:57 GMT 1999 CHIP Water

Sun Sep 26 17:02:32 GMT 1999 CHIP End Water

Sun Sep 26 18:01:29 GMT 1999 PICS Flat

Sun Sep 26 18:02:48 GMT 1999 CHIP Bias

Sun Sep 26 18:03:44 GMT 1999 CHIP End Bias

Sun Sep 26 18:04:05 GMT 1999 PICS End Flat

Sun Sep 26 18:04:05 GMT 1999 PICS End Flat

Sun Sep 26 18:04:47 GMT 1999 CHIP End Water

MKIV PROBLEM: Sun Sep 26 18:40:29 GMT 1999

The animated images look strange, the corona looks dark and featureless, and there are short radial spikes near the limb. But the real time scans look normal.

Sun Sep 26 18:44:32 GMT 1999 MKIV Start Cal

Sun Sep 26 19:02:28 GMT 1999 PICS polarization_calibration

Sun Sep 26 19:02:53 GMT 1999 CHIP Bias

Sun Sep 26 19:03:53 GMT 1999 CHIP End Bias

Sun Sep 26 19:04:06 GMT 1999 CHIP Water

Sun Sep 26 19:04:52 GMT 1999 CHIP End Water

Sun Sep 26 19:06:15 GMT 1999 MKIV Start Patrol

WEATHER COMMENT: Sun Sep 26 19:14:32 GMT 1999

Orographic clouds are starting to pass over.

PSPT PROBLEM: Sun Sep 26 19:28:32 GMT 1999

Guider couldn't lock onto the sun with this last sequence, probably due to clouds at one point, for some reason this instrument has never been able to lock onto the sun after clouds clear if it tried to while the clouds were there. I exited and tried Restart.

PSPT PROBLEM: Sun Sep 26 19:40:19 GMT 1999

Restart didn't work, tried Run, still waiting for a response. Something has changed in the programs, I can see the Obs menu for exiting and other options scroll by on the screen when I try Restart, but it doesn't need to and won't stop to let us enter an option anyway. The first Run didn't work, it didn't get past the "taking three exposures" point, I stopped it before it does its normal thing of trying 128 times and giving up. Then I tried Run again.

PSPT PROBLEM: Sun Sep 26 19:53:52 GMT 1999

OK, that last Run seems to have worked, it is pointing again, just in time for a new batch of orographic clouds. If it runs into guiding problems again I'll have to try to close down for the day until I can find more time to look into that problem.

PSPT COMMENT: Sun Sep 26 19:56:10 GMT 1999

On the good news side, I haven't noticed any unfocused images since Randy's software changes involving giving the telescope more time to lock on the sun before taking images, so hopefully that problem has been reduced or eliminated.

Sun Sep 26 20:02:47 GMT 1999 CHIP Gain

Sun Sep 26 20:07:23 GMT 1999 CHIP End Gain

Sun Sep 26 20:07:33 GMT 1999 CHIP Bias

Sun Sep 26 20:08:20 GMT 1999 CHIP End Bias

Sun Sep 26 20:08:32 GMT 1999 CHIP Water

Sun Sep 26 20:09:14 GMT 1999 CHIP End Water

PSPT PROBLEM: Sun Sep 26 20:14:49 GMT 1999

Was pointed to inside of dome yet the active mirror LED (green) was lit indicating it was locked on the sun, and the program thought it was

too because it kept taking images. I opened the cover and there wasn't any sun on the beam splitter or either mirror, which makes sense. I manually pointed to the sun and the program eventually started displaying images of the sun.

COMMENT: Sun Sep 26 20:37:28 GMT 1999

Extended the dome slot.

WEATHER COMMENT: Sun Sep 26 20:37:37 GMT 1999

Orographic clouds are collecting.

Sun Sep 26 20:48:33 GMT 1999 PICS End Patrol

COMMENT: Sun Sep 26 20:48:56 GMT 1999

Pausing instruments due to clouds.

Sun Sep 26 20:50:55 GMT 1999 MKIV End Patrol

Sun Sep 26 20:51:51 GMT 1999 CHIP CHIP End Patrol

Sun Sep 26 21:45:44 GMT 1999 CHIP ending tape

WEATHER COMMENT: Sun Sep 26 21:45:55 GMT 1999

Clouds are still very thick, closing down.

COMMENT: Sun Sep 26 22:30:48 GMT 1999

TAPES:

MKIV: 99268

CHIP: C00933

PICS: P01558

LOWL: L00629 in drive #0

Sun Sep 26 22:31:38 GMT 1999

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