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Mauna Loa Solar Observatory Observer's Log

Wed Mar 15 17:09:02 GMT 2000

Year: 00 Doy: 075 Observer: koon

WEATHER COMMENT: Wed Mar 15 17:09:25 GMT 2000 Clear sky, wind=10 mph from the SE, temp=42 F.

Wed Mar 15 17:10:08 GMT 2000 CHIP Startup--Initializing new tape

Wed Mar 15 17:14:01 GMT 2000 MKIV Start Patrol

Wed Mar 15 17:14:07 GMT 2000 CHIP CHIP Start 7 Passband Patrol Wed Mar 15 17:14:07 GMT 2000 CHIP CHIP Start 7 Passband Patrol

Wed Mar 15 18:00:31 GMT 2000 PICS Flat
Wed Mar 15 18:03:10 GMT 2000 PICS End Flat
PSPT PROBLEM: Wed Mar 15 18:39:54 GMT 2000

Judging from the recent focus problems it looks like the stepper motor for the focus stage may be missing steps, the limit switches are being activated at perceived positions of 52 rather than 10 where it should happen, and sticky positions have been observed. I'm trying to figure out how to get access to the focus stage so that I can check the operation. That assembly is hidden behind a combination of unmovable structure and a tangle of plates. The drawings help but don't detail everything involved.

PSPT PROBLEM: Wed Mar 15 18:49:26 GMT 2000

The focus stage drawing shows a cantilevered lens mount that relies on a teflon "glide ring" concentric to the lens for smooth operation. I don't understand why there should be any contact there near the lens, especially since the mount is cantilevered. There is a second ring at the front of the assembly too. It is designed to prevent light leaks but there may be a better way of doing it.

Wed Mar 15 20:02:15 GMT 2000 CHIP Gain7
Wed Mar 15 20:10:40 GMT 2000 CHIP End Gain
Wed Mar 15 20:10:58 GMT 2000 CHIP Bias
Wed Mar 15 20:12:08 GMT 2000 CHIP End Bias
PSPT PROBLEM: Wed Mar 15 21:18:44 GMT 2000

After thoroughly checking the drawings and instrument I can't find a way to gain access to the focus stage assembly in order to test it for how well it functions and to improve the function without removing most or all of the secondary optics package. Do you know of a faster and safer way Haosheng? For now I will run the telescope as is and see if Haosheng's code change eliminates the problem, he was going to eliminate the focus sequence from the routine to lessen the usage of the focus stage. COMMENT: Wed Mar 15 21:44:11 GMT 2000

Extended the dome slot.

LOW-L PROBLEM: Wed Mar 15 21:48:37 GMT 2000

L00677 popped out of drive #0 early, replaced it with L00679.

Wed Mar 15 22:10:02 GMT 2000 CHIP CHIP End Patrol

Wed Mar 15 22:10:24 GMT 2000 PICS End Patrol

Wed Mar 15 22:11:36 GMT 2000 CHIP ending tape

COMMENT: Wed Mar 15 22:17:31 GMT 2000

TAPES: *****

MKIV: 00-075 CHIP: C01074 PICS: P01694

LOWL: L00677 in drive #0 and L00678 in drive #1

Wed Mar 15 22:19:07 GMT 2000 MkIV

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