Mauna Loa Solar Observatory Observer's Log

Wed Aug 27 16:30:11 GMT 2003

Year: 03 Doy: 239 Observer: yasukawa

WEATHER COMMENT: Wed Aug 27 16:30:46 GMT 2003

Cool, clear, light south breeze.

COMMENT: Wed Aug 27 16:31:02 GMT 2003 No observations yesterday due to illness.

Wed Aug 27 16:36:11 GMT 2003 CHIP Start Patrol Wed Aug 27 16:36:21 GMT 2003 PICS Start Patrol

A NEW TAPE HAS BEEN PUT INTO KAIEE DLT DRIVE, Wed Aug 27 16:41:00 GMT 2003

MKIV COMMENT: Wed Aug 27 16:58:48 GMT 2003

Centering 01.

Mk4 has just cleared dome cylinder.

Wed Aug 27 17:00:28 GMT 2003 MKIV Start Patrol

PSPT COMMENT: Wed Aug 27 17:01:35 GMT 2003

Starting up.

Foukal support filters have arrived. I will run a set of observations with the original PSPT red and blue filter in place to get a baseline impression of what the exposures should be before swapping-in the test filters.

PSPT COMMENT: Wed Aug 27 17:16:22 GMT 2003

Observing.

PSPT PROBLEM: Wed Aug 27 17:22:51 GMT 2003

ND filters on Foukal set were "popped in" and needed to be re-seated in mount. Probably due to expansion of bubble-wrap at high altitude applying pressure against the filters held in by tape on the edge.

PSPT COMMENT: Wed Aug 27 17:29:29 GMT 2003

Stopped observation. Swapping filters.

PSPT COMMENT: Wed Aug 27 17:40:53 GMT 2003

Foukal filter set installed. Observing.

PSPT PROBLEM: Wed Aug 27 17:55:39 GMT 2003

"Blue" filter image is overexposed to saturated, "red" filter is very dark, no image visible.

Stopped observations to attempt to find ND filters among the spares sent with the filters that will compensate for transmission.

Wed Aug 27 18:00:45 GMT 2003 CHIP LSD Wed Aug 27 18:02:36 GMT 2003 CHIP End LSD Wed Aug 27 18:02:44 GMT 2003 BiasLSD CHIP Wed Aug 27 18:02:44 GMT 2003 PICS Flat Wed Aug 27 18:03:43 GMT 2003 CHIP End BiasLSD

Wed Aug 27 18:04:00 GMT 2003 CHIP Bias Wed Aug 27 18:05:05 GMT 2003 CHIP End Bias Wed Aug 27 18:05:15 GMT 2003 PICS End Flat

^{**}PSPT PROBLEM**: Wed Aug 27 18:10:22 GMT 2003

"Blue" filter's ND is as dark as the darkes spare sent out. Compensation will have to be via software. MKIV COMMENT: Wed Aug 27 18:12:05 GMT 2003 Centered 01. Wed Aug 27 18:13:13 GMT 2003 MKIV Start Cal **PSPT PROBLEM**: Wed Aug 27 18:15:12 GMT 2003 "Red" filter ND is very dark. I will swap the "red" filter's ND and the "blue filter's ND. Wed Aug 27 18:33:00 GMT 2003 MKIV End Cal MKIV Wed Aug 27 18:33:11 GMT 2003 Start Patrol **PSPT PROBLEM**: Wed Aug 27 18:34:05 GMT 2003 NDs swapped. Observing. **PSPT PROBLEM**: Wed Aug 27 18:42:55 GMT 2003 ND on "blue" may be too dark, centering routine thought PSPT was in clouds. **PSPT PROBLEM**: Wed Aug 27 18:43:54 GMT 2003 All images were dark. Found spar off pointed. Restarting observations, may need to manually point spar to test ND exposures. **PSPT PROBLEM**: Wed Aug 27 18:51:58 GMT 2003 Guider could not point due to low intensity of "blue" filter. "Blue" image dark. "Red" image was saturated -- more than occurred in previous test with the ND on the "blue" filter. Stopped and I will swap the ND filters back to original filters. Looks like exposure will need to be set with software. COMMENT: Wed Aug 27 19:26:22 GMT 2003 Stopping to reconfigure dome shutter. Wed Aug 27 19:26:46 GMT 2003 CHIP End Patrol Wed Aug 27 19:27:28 GMT 2003 MKIV End Patrol Wed Aug 27 19:27:23 GMT 2003 PICS End Patrol **PSPT PROBLEM**: Wed Aug 27 19:26:38 GMT 2003 Foukal filters' NDs swapped back to original configuration as received. Filters re-installed, restarting observations. MKIV COMMENT: Wed Aug 27 19:32:55 GMT 2003 Centering 01. Wed Aug 27 19:33:26 GMT 2003 MKIV Start Patrol Wed Aug 27 19:33:19 GMT 2003 CHIP Start Patrol Wed Aug 27 19:33:31 GMT 2003 PICS Start Patrol **PSPT PROBLEM**: Wed Aug 27 19:45:37 GMT 2003 Stopping observations with Foukal set. **PSPT PROBLEM**: Wed Aug 27 19:47:25 GMT 2003 I will try to get a good exposure by stacking available filters. WEATHER COMMENT: Wed Aug 27 20:17:15 GMT 2003 In cirrus. **PSPT PROBLEM**: Wed Aug 27 20:38:28 GMT 2003 Cannot do a good job of stacking filters. Mount holes don't align with the filter stack extending down. I slipped the additional filter on top of the bandpass filter to get the ND holder to align. This situation means the added ND filter is not tilted and not in contact-much less

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greased to the mounted ND filter.
**PSPT PROBLEM**: Wed Aug 27 20:49:17 GMT 2003
OK, I found a decent combination of ND filters for the Foukal "blue"
exposure. Working on "red" stack now.
**PSPT PROBLEM**: Wed Aug 27 21:15:18 GMT 2003
OK, again. I found a decent combination of ND filters for the Foukal "red"
exposure after a couple of tries. This stack fit in the mount without
compromising mounting hole alignment.
Observing.
**PSPT PROBLEM**: Wed Aug 27 21:22:10 GMT 2003
Exposures and focus look fairly decent. Once Randy takes a look at the
images, only slight touch ups in software controlling exposure and focus
may be needed.
WEATHER COMMENT: Wed Aug 27 21:35:27 GMT 2003
Still in cirrus overcast, stopping MK4.
Wed Aug 27 21:37:18 GMT 2003
                               MKIV
                                        End Patrol
WEATHER COMMENT: Wed Aug 27 22:48:37 GMT 2003
In hole in cirrus but orographic clouds are hovering nearby.
MKIV COMMENT: Wed Aug 27 22:49:09 GMT 2003
Centered 01.
Wed Aug 27 22:49:20 GMT 2003
                                MKIV
                                        Start Patrol
Wed Aug 27 22:55:29 GMT 2003
                                MKIV
                                        End Patrol
WEATHER COMMENT: Wed Aug 27 23:15:18 GMT 2003
In broken orographic clouds.
Wed Aug 27 23:27:32 GMT 2003
                                MKIV
                                        Start Patrol
COMMENT: Wed Aug 27 23:24:03 GMT 2003
Declination reset itself. Repointed and reset guider.
WEATHER COMMENT: Wed Aug 27 23:27:42 GMT 2003
Orographic clouds more scattered now. In thin cirrostratus.
WEATHER COMMENT: Thu Aug 28 00:37:43 GMT 2003
In thick orographic clouds.
Thu Aug 28 00:38:31 GMT 2003
                                MKIV
                                        End Patrol
Thu Aug 28 01:11:16 GMT 2003
                                CHIP
                                         End Patrol
COMMENT: Thu Aug 28 01:11:31 GMT 2003
Stopping to reconfigure dome shutter.
Thu Aug 28 01:11:42 GMT 2003
                                PICS
                                         End Patrol
Thu Aug 28 01:19:48 GMT 2003
                                CHIP
                                         Start Patrol
Thu Aug 28 01:19:59 GMT 2003
                                PICS
                                         Start Patrol
PSPT COMMENT: Thu Aug 28 02:30:00 GMT 2003
Shut down PSPT.
Thu Aug 28 02:30:13 GMT 2003
                                CHIP
                                         End Patrol
Thu Aug 28 02:33:31 GMT 2003
                                PICS
                                         End Patrol
Thu Aug 28 02:34:43 GMT 2003
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