OBSERVATORY USE CHECKLIST

Full Observatory Use (i.e. Tours and Open houses)

SHUTDOWN PROCEDURE

- 1. If you have been operating the dome in SYNC mode, follow the instructions in the Dome-Scope Synchronization (shutdown) Procedure and then return to Step 2, ignoring Steps 6 and 9.
- 2. On the virtual handpad, click on 'Stop' and then 'Park Scope'.
- 3. Once the telescope is parked, terminate the telescope link in TheSky6 program by clicking on the red telescope icon.
- 4. Close the virtual handpad window.
- 5. In TheSky6 program, click File/Exit. A window may appear asking if you want to save to 'Normal'. Click 'Yes'.
- 6. Rotate the dome so the shutter motor is above bearing assembly #1.
- 7. Crank the lower shutter door closed, keeping an outward pressure on the door during the last 6 crank turns.
- 8. Place the ladder directly against the wall and out of the way of 24" telescope truss.
- 9. Transfer the yellow power cable from the dome rotation motor to the shutter motor.
- 10. Close the upper shutter door, ensuring the upper shutter door overlaps the lower shutter door.
- 11. Turn off the power bar located next to the KBMD DC Motor Speed Control unit.
- 12. Tie the rope onto the shutter crank handle.
- 13. In the Mallicam program 'Config' screen, click on 'Park' near the bottom of the window. A 3 minute countdown will begin on the 'Advanced' tab.
- 14. Turn off both telescope power panel toggle switches.
- 15. Remove the 24" telescope eyepiece.
- 16. Reinstall all the 24" and 8" telescope covers. The 8" dust cover is indexed for easy installation.
- 17. When the Mallincam message 'It is now safe to Power off your camera' appears, turn off both power bars at the base of the 24" telescope.
- 18. Close the Mallincam program. When a window opens asking if you want to exit the program, click 'Yes'.
- 19. Turn off the dome computer by clicking (Start/Shut down) located in the bottom left corner of the left hand dome monitor
- 20. Turn off all 3 dome monitors.
- 21. Place the tarp over the monitors, dome desk, and chair.
- 22. Do a quick check to ensure you didn't miss anything.
- 23. Exit the dome area, ensuring all lights are extinguished.

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- 24. Turn off blue breakers 5 & 7 in the right hand power panel located behind the bifold doors in the dome access hallway.
- 25. In the basement, turn off the power supply labelled 'ASTRON' in the equipment bay.
- 26. Bring the laser pointer and telescopes back into the building.
- 27. Do a quick check of the viewing deck to ensure nothing got left behind.
- 28. Ensure all finderscopes are turned off and dust covers are in place.
- 29. Remove the eyepieces and return them to the control room.
- 30. Ensure the basement door is left open to allow heat from the 4 running computers to escape from the room.
- 31. Turn off the control room lights and close the control room door.
- 32. Turn off the dome access hall lights, close and lock the green door.
- 33. Turn off the classroom projector and unplug its yellow plugged power cord from the power bar.
- 34. Turn off the classroom computer, monitor, and TV set.
- 35. Sign out using the Observatory Users' Log sheets.
- 36. Turn off all indoor and outdoor red lights.
- 37. Turn on the floodlights.
- 38. Alarm the building, turn off all remaining lights, and exit the building.
- 39. Lock the door and ensure it is secure.
- 40. Drive off the property, lock the gate and ensure the floodlights extinguish after a couple of minutes.