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COMETS C/2006 S10 AND C/2006 S11 (SOHO)

Two additional Kreutz sungrazing comets have been found on SOHO website images (cf. *IAUC* 8772). K. Battams notes that C/2006 S10 was small and stellar in appearance (mag ~ 6) in C3 coronagraph images, while in C2 images it appeared very small, faint, and diffuse. C/2006 S11 was small with a hint of tail and peaked in brightness at mag ~ 5.5 in C3 images, but it was very diffuse and elongated in C2 images.

Comet	2006 UT	α_{2000}	δ_{2000}	Inst.	\mathbf{F}	MPEC
C/2006 S10	Sept. 18.763	$11^{h}23.9$	$+ 0^{\circ}38^{'}$	C3/2	RM	2006-U63
C/2006 S11	18.821	$11\ 24.9$	+ 0.43	C3/2	RM	2006-U63

COMET C/2006 V1 (CATALINA)

Regarding an apparently asteroidal object found the previous night in the course of the Catalina Sky Survey, E. J. Christensen reports that four stacked 60-s CCD exposures obtained in poor seeing with the 1.5-m reflector at Mount Lemmon on Nov. 12.5 UT show an asymmetric 8" coma, slightly extended toward p.a. 310°. Following posting by the Minor Planet Center on its 'NEOCP' webpage, J. Young writes that his CCD images taken with the Table Mountain 0.61-m reflector on Nov. 15.43–15.48 UT show a round 6"-diameter coma with little or no central condensation and a suspected very weak, narrow, straight tail in p.a. ~ 300°. R. A. Kowalski reports that CCD images obtained with the Mount Lemmon 1.5-m reflector on Nov. 15.5 in poor seeing show a slightly condensed nucleus with a coma diameter of ≈ 11 ".

2006	UT	α_{2000}	δ_{2000}	Mag.
Nov.	11.49270	$10^{ m h}55^{ m m}05\overset{ m s}{.}44$	$+10^{\circ}48^{'}36^{''}_{77}$	18.5

The available astrometry, the following preliminary parabolic orbital elements, and an ephemeris appear on *MPEC* 2006-V63.

T = 2007 Nov. 24.545 TT	$\omega = 244^{\circ}.398$
	$\Omega = 336.244 $ 2000.0
q = 3.06870 AU	i = 30.017 J

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