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COMET P/2007 H3 (GARRADD)

G. J. Garradd reports his discovery of a comet on CCD images obtained with the 0.5-m Uppsala Schmidt at Siding Spring (discovery observation tabulated below), the object showing a faint tail 15'' long in p.a. 10° on the 30-s survey exposure. Following posting on the Minor Planet Center's 'NEOCP' webpage, N. Teamo and S. Hönig report that their CCD frames taken with a 0.41-m f/8 reflector at Punaauia, Tahiti, on Apr. 23.3 UT show a 4'' coma and an 8'' tail in p.a. $\approx 35^\circ$.

2007	UT	α_{2000}	δ_{2000}	Mag.
Apr.	22.51406	11 ^h 50 ^m 44. ^s 52	-42°53'06''.8	17.4

The available astrometry (including predisccovery Siding Spring observations from Mar. 28), the following preliminary elliptical orbital elements, and an ephemeris appear on *MPEC* 2007-H55.

$$\begin{array}{rcl}
 T = 2007 \text{ Aug. } 15.509 \text{ TT} & \omega = 349.968 & \\
 e = 0.47547 & \Omega = 263.731 & \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{l} T \\ e \\ q \end{array}} \right\} 2000.0 \\
 q = 1.83355 \text{ AU} & i = 25.225 & \\
 a = 3.49558 \text{ AU} & n^\circ = 0.150808 & P = 6.54 \text{ years}
 \end{array}$$

SUPERNOVA 2006jc IN UGC 4904

T. Minezaki, Y. Yoshii, and K. Nomoto, University of Tokyo, report the following near-infrared photometric magnitudes of SN 2006jc (cf. *IAUC* 8762; <http://www.astronomerstelegam.org/?read=961>) using the multicolor imaging photometer mounted on the MAGNUM 2-m telescope: Apr. 9.43 UT, $K = 16.2 \pm 0.1$; 10.40, $H = 17.8 \pm 0.1$; 10.43, $J = 19.5 \pm 0.3$. Limiting optical magnitudes 3σ upper limit: Apr. 9.43, $V = [22.5$; 10.40, $R = [22.5$; 10.43, $I = [21.7$.

K. S. Kawabata, Hiroshima University; K. Maeda, Max Planck Institute for Astrophysics; M. Tanaka, N. Tominaga, and K. Nomoto, University of Tokyo; and T. Hattori, National Astronomical Observatory of Japan, report that optical imaging and PSF photometry of the peculiar type-Ib supernova 2006jc was performed with the Subaru 8.2-m telescope (+ FOCAS) on Apr. 10.3 UT, yielding magnitudes $B = 24.0 \pm 0.1$, $V = 23.4 \pm 0.2$, and $R = 23.3 \pm 0.2$.