

88 Lorne Ave.
St. Catharines, Ont
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Mr. James W.A. Low
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DORVAL, P.Q.

Dear Sir:

The negative reports for June 1964 are enclosed, together with a few observations of Nova Struik's 1963.

I see by your announcement # 8, and also by the newspapers that we have a little activity in the comet line. On two occasions an attempt was made to observe Comet Eucke without success. It must have been close to the horizon at dusk. We used a 10" f5 in our search, (as well as binoculars).

On the evening of July 3rd Christopher Spratt called me, and said he had found the new Comet, 1963 C, low in the N.W. I had been searching for an hour with 7x50's with no luck and still could not find it after I was told where to look - my N.W. horizon is not too good! Christopher estimated it at 3^m.0. I did not find it myself until July 5th. Mr. G.C. Gardner & I took a couple of telescopes out in the country near Niagara Falls & after much looking, finally found it. I could not check its position, but guessed it to be 4^m.0. It was 7 or 8 above the horizon when found. Last night here at home I found it easily in binoculars & 4" f5. It seemed 4^m.5 at I estimated its position at ~~21:30 EST~~ as: $9^h 19^m = +26^{\circ} 40'$ - just under 1° N.W. of α Leonis.

When Comet Tomita - Gerber - Honda is out of sight I will send you a complete report on our observations.

Best regards.

Dwight Maclean,
Niagara Falls Centre.