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SUPERNOVA 2005av IN NGC 6943

Further to *IAUC* 8496, L. A. G. Monard reports his discovery of an apparent supernova (mag $\sim$ 15.4 $\pm$ 0.1) on unfiltered CCD images taken on Mar. 24.077 and 24.983 UT with a 0.30-m reflector near Pretoria, South Africa. The new object is located in a spiral arm of NGC 6943 at $\alpha = 20^{\rm h}44^{\rm m}37^{\rm s}.58$, $\delta = -68^{\circ}45'10''.6$ (equinox 2000.0), which is 22$''$ east and 18$''$ south of the nucleus of the galaxy. Nothing is visible at this location on Monard's image taken on Mar. 5.133 (limiting mag 17.5) or on an image from the Digitized Sky Survey (limiting red mag 20.5). SN 1998ew also occurred in this galaxy.

SUPERNOVA 2005aw IN IC 4837A

Further to *IAUC* 8488, C. Jacques and E. Pimentel report their discovery of an apparent supernova (mag 15.3 $\pm$ 0.2) on unfiltered CCD images taken on Mar. 24.27 and 25.25 UT with a 0.30-m Schmidt-Cassegrain reflector at Belo Horizonte, Brazil. The new object is located at $\alpha = 19^{\rm h}15^{\rm m}17^{\rm s}.44$, $\delta = -54^{\circ}08'24''.9$ (equinox 2000.0), which is 13$''$ east and 30$''$ south of the center of IC 4837A. Nothing is visible at this location on a CCD image taken on Mar. 7.32 (limiting mag 17.9) or on a 1976 Palomar Sky Survey plate (limiting red mag 20.0).

SUPERNOVA 2005ax IN NGC 1544

Further to *IAUC* 8492, T. Puckett and D. George report the discovery of an apparent supernova (mag 14.5) on an unfiltered CCD frame taken with the 0.60-m automated supernova patrol telescope on Mar. 26.12 UT. The new object was confirmed on multiple combined CCD frames taken by D. George (Ottawa, Canada) with a 0.35-m reflector on Mar. 27.31 (at mag 14.5). The new object is located at $\alpha = 5^{\rm h}02^{\rm m}38^{\rm s}.11$, $\delta = +86^{\circ}13'22''.2$ (equinox 2000.0), which is 2$''$ east and 2$''$ north of the center of NGC 1544. Nothing is visible at this location on images taken by Puckett on 2002 Apr. 5 and 2003 Feb. 11 (limiting mag $\sim$ 20.0).

COMET C/1996 V2 (SOHO)

Continuation to *IAUC* 8498 (another Marsden-group member):

Comet	1996 UT	α_{2000}	δ_{2000}	Inst.	F	*MPEC*
C/1996 V2	Nov. 11.986	$14^{\rm h}59^{\rm m}.3$	$-15^{\circ}54'$	C3	RK	2005-F31

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