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COMET P/1999 X1 = 2006 O1 (HUG-BELL)

D. Tibbets and G. Hug, Eskridge, KS, report the CCD recovery of comet P/1999 X1 at mag 18.6–18.7. Astrometry, new orbital elements (indicated correction of $\Delta T = -0.12$ day to the prediction; cf. *MPC* 48383, *2006 Comet Handbook*), and an ephemeris appear on *MPEC* 2006-O03.

2006 UT	α_{2000}	δ_{2000}
July 16.40474	$4^h28^m21^s.65$	$+14°24'28''.0$

SATURN XXXV (DAPHNIS) = S/2005 S 1

Further to *IAUC* 8471, the IAU Working Group on Planetary System Nomenclature has announced that the satellite S/2005 S 1 (cf. *IAUC* 8524) has been given the designation (and name) Saturn XXXV (Daphnis).

COMET 177P/BARNARD

Comet P/1889 M1 = 2006 M3 (cf. *IAUC* 8726) has been given the permanent number 177P (cf. *MPC* 57086).

THE EDGAR WILSON AWARD 2006

The Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory announces that the 2006 Edgar Wilson Award for the discovery of comets (cf. IAUC 6936, 8554) is being divided among the following three individuals: Charles Wilson Juels (Fountain Hills, AZ, U.S.A.) and Paulo Renato Centeno Holvorcem (Campinas, Brazil) for C/2005 N1; and John Broughton (Reedy Creek, Qld., Australia) for P/2005 T5.

V2576 OPHIUCHI

D. K. Lynch, R. J. Rudy, C. C. Venturini, and S. Mazuk, Aerospace Corporation; R. C. Puetter, University of California at San Diego; and R. B. Perry, Langley Research Center, NASA, report 0.47- to 2.5-μm spectroscopy of V2576 Oph (cf. *IAUC* 8700, 8710) on June 14.4 UT using the VNIRIS spectrograph on the Lick 3-m telescope. This Fe II nova has broad (2700 km/s), flat-topped emission lines. There is very little reddening [$E(B-V) = 0.25$] and no evidence of dust in the nova ejecta. The object displays weak coronal lines from [S VIII] and [Si VI], and the unidentified features at 1.11, 1.19, 1.55, and 2.10 μm are present. Magnitudes for V2576 Oph: $V = 13.9$, $J = 11.2$, $H = 11.7$, $K = 11.0$.

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