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*COMET C/2009 E1 (ITAGAKI)*

M. Kusiak, Astronomical Observatory, Jagiellonian University, reports that this comet is apparently visible in SOHO SWAN ultraviolet images (additional details are given on *CBET* 1721). Visual total-magnitude and coma-diameter estimates: Mar. 14.85 UT, 9.6, 4'5 (J. J. Gonzalez, Leon, Spain, 0.20-m reflector; zodiacal light); 15.103, 10:, 3' (A. Hale, Cloudcroft, NM, U.S.A., 41-cm reflector; clouds; small condensed area within a diffuse coma); 15.95, 9.6, 3'5 (M. Goiato, Araçatuba, Brazil, 22-cm reflector).

Further to *IAUC* 9026, additional astrometry has been published by B. G. Marsden on *MPEC* 2009-E69, together with the following preliminary parabolic orbital elements and an ephemeris.

$$\left. \begin{array}{ll} T = 2009 \text{ Apr. } 7.385 \text{ TT} & \omega = 47.130 \\ & \Omega = 105.780 \\ q = 0.60809 \text{ AU} & i = 128.398 \end{array} \right\} 2000.0$$

*COMETS C/2008 W2, C/2008 W3, C/2008 W4, C/2008 W5 (SOHO)*

Further to *IAUC* 9024, additional Kreutz sungrazers have been found on SOHO website images, with their “discovery” observations tabulated below. C/2008 W2 was tiny and condensed (mag  $\sim 7.5$ ). C/2008 W3 was stellar in appearance (mag  $\sim 7$ – $7.5$ ) in C3 images, and quite condensed in C2 images. C/2008 W4 was tiny and stellar in appearance (mag  $\sim 8$ ). C/2008 W5 was stellar in appearance (mag  $\sim 6.5$ ) in C3 images, and fairly condensed with a very short, diffuse tail in C2 images.

Comet	2008 UT	$\alpha_{2000}$	$\delta_{2000}$	Inst.	F	<i>MPEC</i>
C/2008 W2	Nov. 16.317	15 <sup>h</sup> 25 <sup>m</sup> .5	−20°29′	C2	JR	2009-C47
C/2008 W3	23.388	15 49.0	−23 40	C3/2	AK	2009-C47
C/2008 W4	23.521	15 56.0	−21 11	C2	HS	2009-C56
C/2008 W5	23.888	15 51.2	−23 46	C3/2	JR	2009-C56

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