

Bill Miner of Syracuse wrapped up the session by exhibiting a new drive for a telescope, that he had manufactured at a very low price.

Following the papers session, many of the persons present adjourned to a nearby restaurant for a delicious meal. The day ended with a gathering at Ken Chilton's house, where the participants had a chance to exchange notes, make new friendships and rekindle old ones.

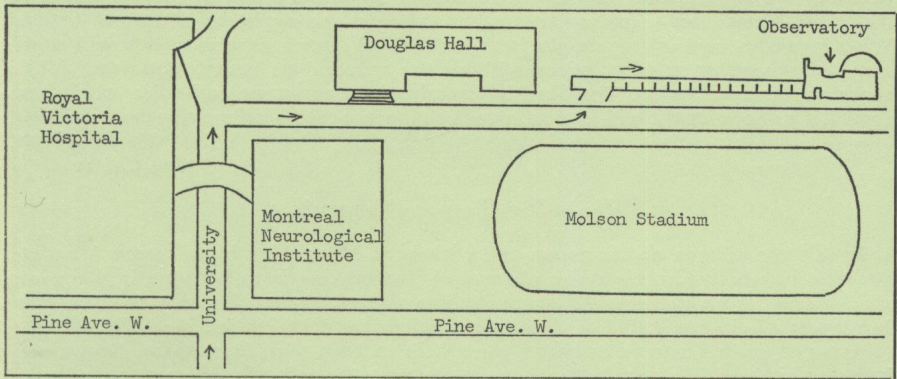
How to Find the Montreal Centre Observatory

Our little Observatory building is located on the upper McGill campus behind Molson Stadium. Many people have told us that they had difficulty in finding it. We admit that it is rather inconspicuous, especially when the surrounding trees are in leaf. We hope the chart, shown below (which may not be exactly to scale) and the following directions will be helpful.

1. Proceed up University past Pine Avenue.
2. Pass under archway that connects Royal Victoria Hospital and the Montreal Neurological Institute.
3. Take FIRST turn to the right. (It looks like a parking lot but is actually a road).
4. As you proceed along this road, Douglas Hall (a college residence) is on your left, and then the upper entrances to Molson Stadium on your right.
5. Just past Douglas Hall on your left is a flight of wooden stairs leading to a practice football field which is surrounded by a steel fence.
6. Leave your car in the parking area at the foot and mount the stairs.
7. At the top, pass through the gate, turn sharp right and follow the fence to the Observatory at the corner of the field. It is a grey stucco building with an aluminum dome.

The Observatory is open to visitors every Saturday evening year round. You will be very welcome.

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Apollo 17: The Beginning, We Hope

It is probably not often that an amateur gets to visit the largest spacecraft centre in the world. It must be indeed rare that he can tour Cape Kennedy and witness the launch of a mighty Saturn V rocket at the same time. However, such was the good fortune for five of us from Ottawa and Vancouver last December when we drove southward to cover the activities and launch of Apollo 17.

Cape Kennedy sprawls along an 84,000-acre section of the north-eastern Florida