

September 8, 2011

To: Michael A. Hotka, 002

Dear Mike,

On behalf of the Astronomical League, please accept my congratulations on being the first League member to complete the Binocular Double Star Club observing program. I am proud to present you with this certificate and pin for your achievement.

Your continued enthusiasm for the club and your assistance in setting up the club web site are very much appreciated.

Renowned visual observers such as William and John Herschel, W. R. Dawes, Wilhelm and Otto Struve, R. G. Aitken, and many others dedicated countless hours observing, measuring and cataloging thousands of double stars, many of which you have recently observed. In completing this club you honor their legacy.

Mike, as you continue to explore all the wonders the night sky has to offer, I hope you'll pause to enjoy the beauty of the double stars you're sure to find sprinkled along your way.

Sincerely,

Bob Kerr

Binocular Double Star Club Coordinator

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