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NOVA IN THE LARGE MAGELLANIC CLOUD 1988 No. 2

R. H. McNaught, Siding Spring Observatory, reports the discovery  
by Gordon Garradd, Tamworth, N.S.W., of another nova in the LMC.

An exposure by McNaught on Oct. 13.5 UT with the Uppsala Southern  
Schmidt telescope yields the following position:

R.A. = 5h08m14.02 Decl. = -68 41'22.6 (equinox 1950.0; rms 0".2).

Magnitude estimates by Garradd (300-mm telephoto lens + hypered  
2415 film) and McNaught (visual): Oct. 7.49, [14.5 (Garradd);

12.48, 11.3 (Garradd); 12.49, 11.3 (Garradd); 13.40, 10.4

(McNaught). Garradd notes that the nova is very close to HV 5609,  
as plotted on the Hodge/Wright atlas. A photograph of the LMC

taken 1988 Oct. 7.72 by M. Hartley with the U.K. Schmidt Telescope  
shows no change to V magnitude 19 in the general vicinity of the  
nova.

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