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Bursts, Bangs & Things That Go Bump In the Night



Abstract: With developments in computing and in CCD technology, astronomers can now take short exposure observations. These are revealing an amazing wealth of short-duration, transient phenomena which will be described in this talk.

Tues. Oct 23

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Prof. Jocelyn Bell Burnell

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Professor Jocelyn Bell Burnell inadvertently discovered pulsars as a graduate student in radio astronomy in Cambridge, opening up a new branch of astrophysics - work recognised by the award of a Nobel Prize to her supervisor.

She has subsequently worked in many roles in many branches of astronomy, working part-time while raising a family. She is now a Visiting Professor in Oxford, and Chancellor of the University of Dundee, and was (the first female) President of the Royal Society of Edinburgh - Scotland's National Academy