

The second meeting of 2019 season will be on **Monday 4th February**, it starts at 8pm sharp in our usual venue of **Ballyclare High School Lecture Theatre**

[Directions can be found here.](#)



In February we hold our special [Andrew Trimble Memorial Lecture](#) and this year we are really lucky to have **Professor Alan Fitzsimmons** from **Queens University Belfast** along to give us our talk. Alan will be giving us a talk titled '**Oumuamua**

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Professor Alan Fitzsimmons is one of the top Astronomers in the U.K and it will be great to welcome him back to the society. Oumuamua is the name given to the first interstellar object that was discovered just over a year ago, passing through our solar system. It will be really interesting to hear Alan's take on this object as not a lot is known about it!

About Prof. Fitzsimmons: I am an astronomer in the QUB Astrophysics Research Centre. My primary research interests are in performing observations of minor bodies in our solar system, comets and asteroids. These studies are generally based on observations performed on the UK supported telescopes in the Canary Islands (ING) and Chile (ESO). I am also a member of the WASP consortium which has built and operates the SuperWASP facility on La Palma, and the UK Pan-STARRS Science Consortium.

Please note: Under 16's are very welcome but due to our child protection policy, we ask that they are accompanied by an adult.

As always we will have refreshments available after the meeting, a donation bucket is available at the door if you wish to support us in our work!

Hope to see you all there!