

APRSAF-17 Technical Tour 2

Victorian Space Science Education Centre

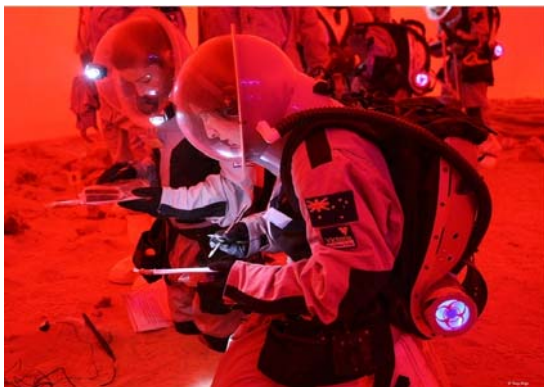
26 November 2010 – 3:00pm to 5:00pm

The Tour will be hosted by the Victorian Space Science Education Centre (VSSEC). The tour will start at Crown Conference Centre with a presentation by Dr Naomi Mathers. Members will then catch a bus to VSSEC. Dr Mathers holds a degree in Aerospace from RMIT University and a PhD in Engineering from RMIT University (Image of the VSSEC building in Strathmore, Victoria, Australia).



VSSEC is one of three Specialist Science Centres established by the Victorian State Government. It was officially opened in 2006; VSSEC uses the context of space to engage teachers and students in teaching and learning of science. All areas within the centre are supported by an integrated system technology which supports a rich learning environment. VSSEC is situated in the grounds of Strathmore Secondary College and

its inspiring spiral-galaxy shaped building, offers a stimulating environment for hands-on learning. (Image: Students on the Mars Surface).



VSSEC applies the latest educational research to develop effective programs for both students and teachers. To maintain the highest level of excellence in both pedagogy and science content VSSEC has established partnerships

with universities, industry, education and the government. VSSEC's programs support dedicated subject and cross-curricula domains. These programs are delivered in context and highlight career and study paths. VSSEC's programs include Mission to Mars and Mission to the Orbiting Space Laboratory.

Tour of VSSEC

Members will receive a tour of the facility including program facilities for the Mission to Mars and Mission to the Orbiting Space Laboratory. If time permits, members may be able to 'suit up' for a walk on the Mars surface. (Image: Mission to Mars control room).

