## Astronomical Society of Southern Africa, Solar Section

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As the emphasis in the ASSA group is on observations in the different sections, we in the solar group want to develop a professional platform for you the observer where you can participate in national and international solar observations.

Observations are used to calculate a monthly Southern African sunspot number and are published in the report section of this bulletin. A two monthly report on observations will be send to MNASSA for publication.

Solar observations are still an open field in Southern Africa amateur astronomy and we like to invite you to become part of the ASSA solar section.

Information on how to become involved in solar observations can be obtained from the solar section of ASSA at: <u>Jacques@bloemwater.co.za</u>

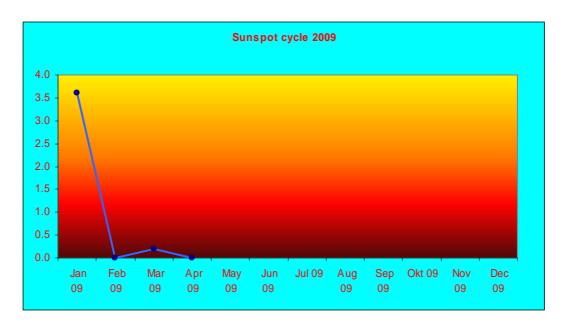
Keep looking at the sunny side of life, It keeps the shadows behind you!

Regards,

Jacques van Delft Director solar section ASSA, Southern Africa

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## Monthly Remarks:

April was again a 0 sunspot number month, an indication that the sun still hangs on to its minimum cycle. The graph as a new addition will be updated as the new cycle progresses. Coronal hole activity continues to be the main activity during this month and only two minor A class flares were recorded.

Clear skies,

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