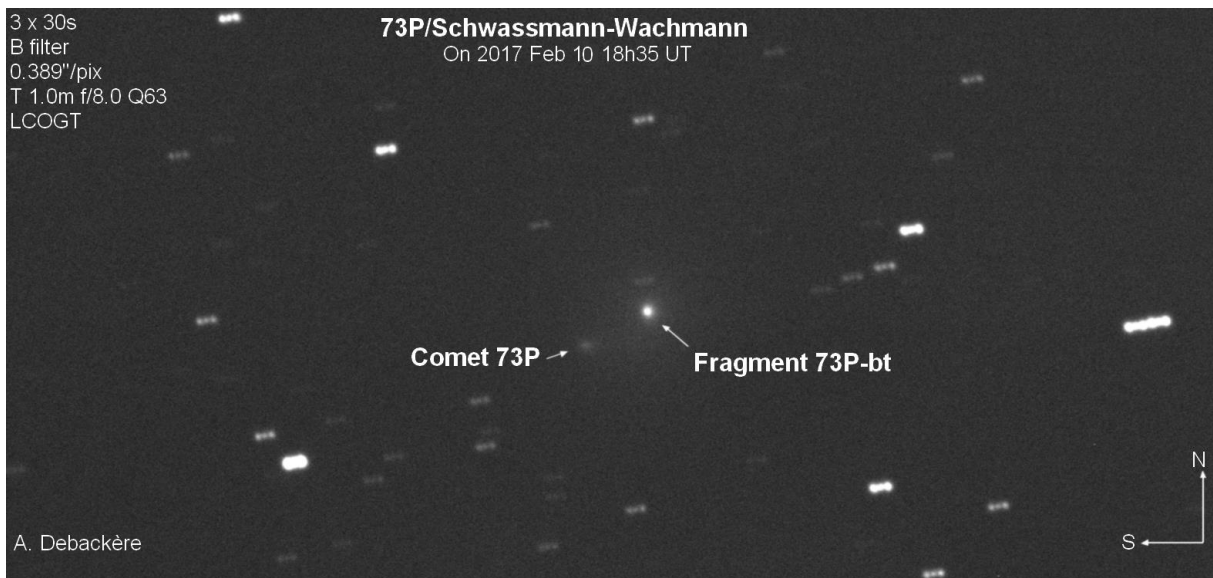


Comet fragment outburst

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Thierry Noel has reported that Comet 73P/Schwassmann-Wachmann is showing a second component in images taken remotely from Chile (Observers: A. Maury, B. Sandness, T. Noel). I took images using the Las Cumbres Observatory 1.0-m telescope at Siding Spring, Australia. The 3 added images below show that the main comet is accompanied by a much brighter secondary component surrounded by a faint coma.



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