

Editor's Note

At the true start of the third millennium CE, we end this year, just like the last one, with a number of papers on Vedic astronomy, to keep up with the winter solstice spirit: the discussion of facts and their interpretations. We begin with a few important points raised by Kim Plofker from the point of view of a mathematician and historian of Indian astronomy. Incidentally, note also her interesting course on “History of Indian Mathematics” at Brown University that deals, among other items, with the Euro-/America-centric approach often seen in such studies. This is followed by comments of Narahari Achar on my paper in EJVS 5-2. I will answer, as far as it still is necessary after K. Plofker's general comments, when I have some leisure, in the new year. Finally, N. Achar contributes an interesting paper on the ṚV and the *Jyotiṣa Vedāṅga*. With best wishes for the New Year, Century and Millennium to all of our readers,

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