Seventh Annual RASC - STAR PARTY



Come join us! Learn Astronomy and Explore the Night Sky

August 24-26, 2007

At the Victoria Fish and Game Association Holker Place, Malahat (near the Summit)

Gates will open at 12pm noon on Friday. Camp on the field with your telescope. Power is available for telescope-related equipment only.

Cost: \$20 single and \$25 couple or family (max 4 children under age 21). Fee includes tickets for daily door prizes for children & adults, lectures, access pass to the field and camping on site. Attend for one hour or 2 days, and get your draw tickets, same price – no exceptions, what a bargain! (Winners must be in attendance at the time of the draw to collect their prize)

See http://victoria.rasc.ca/events/StarParty/ for more details.

Schedule of Events (subject to change)

Friday 24th:

- 12:00pm noon till dark gates open
- 5:00pm-6:30pm dinner time
- 7:00pm Presentation
- "Apollo on the Lunar Surface "
 Chris Gainor, RASC member and author,
 The six successful Apollo Expeditions.
 Photos and more on the Lunar surface.
- 8:00pm Door prizes
- 9:00pm Viewing the night sky

Saturday 25th

- 8-10am breakfast, Lunch at Noon
- Solar viewing all day
- 1:00pm Astronomy Swap Meet2:00pm Digital Astrophotography
- John McDonald, RASC member will provide an instructional session in processing captured images using a variety of processing tools
- 5:00pm –7:00pm dinner time
- 7:00pm Presentation & ATM Awards
- " Reaching Across Time And Space in a Thirty-Meter Telescope "

Dr. Luc Simard, NRC-HIA. This scope, to be operational in 2016 will give us views of the birth of galaxies, stars and planets.

- 8:00pm Door prizes Grand Prize: Celestron 20 x 80mm Binoculars. Special Raffle Prize: 125mm Skywatcher Telescope and motorized EQ-3 Mount
- 9:00pm Viewing the night sky
- Sunday 26th:
- 8:00 am Breakfast
- 9:30 am **Cleanup** (Please pitch-in & help)
- 12 noon early departures please!

Facilities:

- Large camping area on the Field
- Lots of parking both on-field and parking lot
- Showers and Washrooms
- Large Clubhouse (seats 200 people)
- Food Brenda's Kitchen will do the cooking for you. Very reasonable prices, and the food is great! (Approximately CDN\$20/day per person for 3 meals)
- Large field (complete with power on the field for your astronomy equipment)
- Vendor Island Eyepiece & Telescope Ltd.

Brian and Joanne will be on hand to assist with your questions and equipment needs

And last but not least, a good 360° view of the night sky, see the Moon, Planets, Galaxies and more.

Directions:

From Duncan: Drive South on Highway 1 to just past the Malahat Summit. Turn left on Holker Place at the Spectacle Lake intersection. Caution: no left turn lane! Turn right on Spectacle Lake Road and double back if traffic is heavy.

From Victoria: Drive North on Highway 1 past the (South) Shawnigan Lake Road intersection. Turn right onto Holker Place at the Spectacle Lake intersection.

All are welcomed. Don't have a scope? No problem, RASC members will be happy to give you a tour of heavens above! Facilities are open to all registered visitors This is a RASC, Victoria Centre, Public Outreach Event, Come Join Us!