# **RASCals STAR PARTY**

# Come join us! Learn Astronomy and Explore the Night Sky

# August 30 to September 2, 2013

At the Metchosin Municipal Grounds behind the Metchosin Fire Hall 4440 Happy Valley Road

Gates will open at 12pm noon on Friday. Camp on the field and setup your telescope.

Cost: Free of charge! RASC members and visiting observers (who stay overnight): suggested donation of \$20/Adult one day, two or three. Everyone present is entitled to tickets for door prizes, lectures and access to the observing field.

See <a href="http://victoria.rasc.ca/events/StarParty/">http://victoria.rasc.ca/events/StarParty/</a> for more details.

### Schedule of Events (subject to change)

## Friday 30th

- 12:00pm Gates open
- 8:00pm Door prizes
- 8:30pm Presentation: A Magic **Lantern Show**
- 9:30pm Guided Telescope Walk and "Astronomy 101" workshop, followed by viewing of the night sky

### Saturday 31st

- Solar viewing all day
- 2:00pm Workshop: Lunar

#### **Observing**

3:00pm - Workshop:

#### **Astrophotography**

- 4:00pm Workshop: Double Stars
- 4:00pm 6:00pm activities for the kids
- 8:00pm Door prizes
   8:30pm Speaker: "Shedding Light on Light" by Mark Wheen
- 9:30pm Guided Telescope Walk, followed by viewing of the night sky

#### Sunday 1st

- Solar viewing all day
- 8:30pm Presentation: Aurora
- 9:30pm Viewing of the night sky

### Monday 2<sup>nd</sup>

- 9:30 am Cleanup (Please pitch-in &
- 12 noon early departures please!

#### **Facilities:**

- Large camping area on the Field
- Lots of parking both on-field and parking lot
- Food Restaurants nearby.
- 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 Millstream Rd (Route 14 - Sooke Exit), drive South to Sooke Rd., turn right, and follow to Happy Valley Rd., turn left, and follow all the way to the Fire Hall.

From Victoria: Drive West on Highway 1 to Millstream Rd (Route 14 - Sooke Exit), drive South to Sooke Rd., turn right, and follow to Happy Valley Rd., turn left, and follow all the way to the Fire Hall.

#### All are welcome.

Don't have a scope? No problem, RASC members will be happy to give you a tour of heavens above!



This is a presentation of The Royal Astronomical Society of Canada, **Victoria Centre. Courtesy of the District** of Metchosin.

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