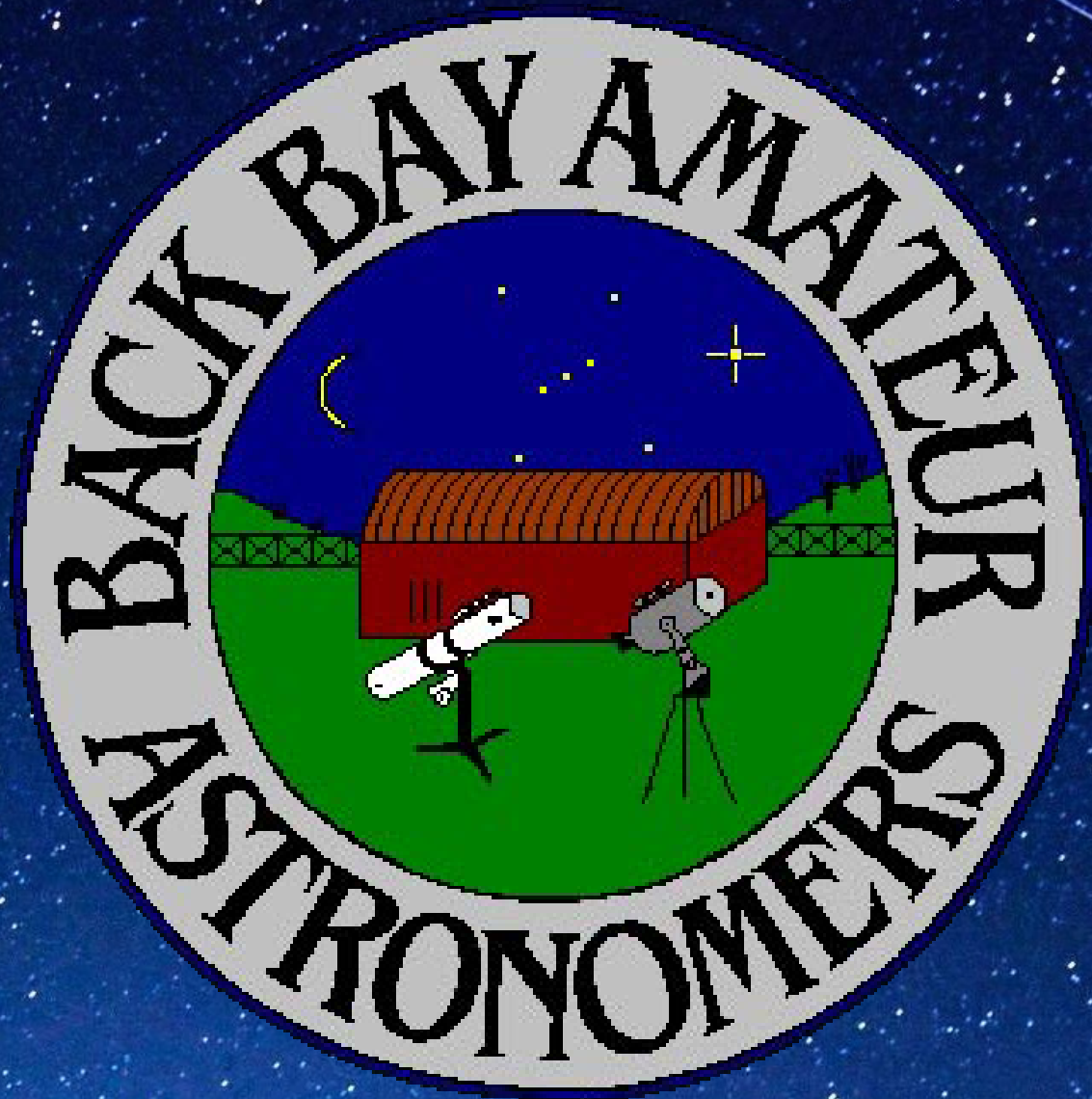


Back Bay Amateur Astronomers



August 2017 Outreach Events

“Bringing Astronomy to the People of Hampton Roads”

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Saturday "SUN" Day

Free public solar viewing event, everyone is welcome to attend. The event is weather dependent, if it is cloudy it will not be held. Come join the Back Bay Amateur Astronomers (BBAA) for this public solar viewing event. Ever really looked at the Sun? Been told that you are not supposed to look at the Sun? Well no worries there, astronomers have developed safe methods for solar viewing using specially designed solar filters and purpose built Hydrogen-Alpha Solar Scopes. Come on out and look at, and enjoy, our closest star, the Sun. Presenters - Plan on set up 30 minutes before event start time (9:30 AM).

Expected Visitors: 30

Club Members Needed: 2

RSVPs: 2 Yes, 0 Probably

Date: 2017-07-08

Time: 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Location: Elizabeth River Park, 1400 Elizabeth River Way, Chesapeake

Old Donation School/Brickell Academy Picnic

Demonstrate telescopes, view sunspots & solar prominences, explain the total solar eclipse of 8/21/2017. This is a lead-in to the ODS elementary astronomy club to be held in November.

Expected Visitors: 60

Club Members Needed: 2

RSVPs: 1 Yes, 0 Probably

Date: 2017-08-09

Time: 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Location: Old Donation School/Brickell Academy, 4633 Honeygrove Road, Virginia Beach, VA 23455

Skywatch @ Northwest River Park

Free public Skywatch, everyone is welcome to attend. The event is weather dependent so please call the park at 757-421-7151 to confirm event. Star and planet watching will begin around sunset. For those who would like some help with new telescopes or just want to learn how telescopes work, we will be holding an informal afternoon "Telescope 101" pre-event beginning about 90 minutes before sunset (scheduled start time). Presenters - Plan on set up 90 minutes before sunset (Start time).

Expected Visitors: 50

Club Members Needed: 5

RSVPs: 2 Yes, 2 Probably

Date: 2017-08-12

Time: 8:30 PM - 11:59 PM

Location: Northwest River Park (Equestrian Area), 1501-1569 Indian Creek Road, Chesapeake, VA 23322

Solar Eclipse 2017

The Virginia Beach Public Library is planning a solar eclipse viewing event at the MEO Central Library. We would like to have one or more astronomers who can talk about the solar eclipse to adults, teens, children

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and family groups who attend the event. We would also love to have some kind of viewing device so that people can watch the event. Any other ideas from your organization would be welcome.

**Expected Visitors: 200+*

Club Members Needed: 2

RSVPs: 1 Yes, 0 Probably

Date: 2017-08-21

Time: 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Location: Virginia Beach Central Library, 4100 Virginia Beach Blvd, Virginia Beach, VA 23452

****If you're not leaving the area for the eclipse please consider helping out with this event. Thousands of people have shown interest in attending this event on Facebook.***

Family Star Gazing

JEB Little Creek Library is sponsoring this event to help military members and their families learn more about constellations and the equipment used to view stars from thousands of miles away. The Moon, Jupiter, and Saturn will be up this night. This outreach event will be held at the Eagle Haven Golf Course on JEB Little Creek . The rain date for this event is September 2nd 2017 from 8PM-10PM.

****Military ID or sponsorship needed for base access.***

Expected Visitors: 50

Club Members Needed: 4

RSVPs: 1 Yes, 0 Probably

Date: 2017-08-26

Time: 8:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Location: Joint Expeditionary Base Little Creek Base, Eagle Haven Golf Course, 3692 Nab Little Crk # 3692, Virginia Beach, Virginia 23459

Garden Stars at Norfolk Botanical Garden

Brief indoor talk, after which the visitors look through club members' telescopes at the Moon and any other objects of opportunity.

Expected Visitors: 20

Club Members Needed: 3

RSVPs: 0 Yes, 0 Probably

Date: 2017-08-31

Time: 8:30 PM - 10:00 PM

Location: Norfolk Botanical Gardens, 6700 Azalea Garden Road, Norfolk, VA 23518