

BACK BAY AMATEUR ASTRONOMERS

"Bringing Astronomy to the People of Hampton Roads"



June 2018 Events



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Virginia Peninsula Astronomy/Stargazers (VPAS)

Come join the Virginia Peninsula Astronomy/Stargazers (VPAS) for a night of stargazing at Viewing at Grundland Astronomical Park (GAP) in Hampton on the first and third Friday of every month. Event is rain or shine.

Date: June 1, 2018

Time: Sunset

Location: Grundland Astronomical Park, 112 Grundland Dr., Hampton, VA 23664

BBAA Club Meeting

Meeting will be held in the planetarium at Plaza Middle School.

Date: June 7, 2018

Time: 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM

Location: Plaza Middle School, 3080 South Lynnhaven Road, Virginia Beach, VA 23503

Sun Gazing

Province Place of DePaul (assisted living facility in Norfolk) and the Back Bay Amateur Astronomers will set up solar telescopes for residents of the facility.

Expected Visitors: 20

Club Members Needed: 3

Date: June 9, 2018

Time: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Location: Province Place of DePaul, 6403 Granby St, Norfolk, VA 23503

Skywatch

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 60 minutes before sunset (scheduled start time). Presenters - Plan on set up 60 minutes before sunset (Start time).

Expected Visitors: 50

Club Members Needed: 5

Date: June 9, 2018

Time: 8 PM - 12 PM

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

Corn Watch

Corn Watch @ Cornland Park, Chesapeake, Va. is a BBAA's "observers only" session at Cornland Park, in Chesapeake. Our night use of the park requires a permit in case your presence is questioned by law enforcement.

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NOTE: To turn off the new LED security light in the parking lot, go to the Firehouse, let them know you are with the BBAA, and ask them for the key to the switch box. Unlock the box and leave the padlock unlocked, shut off light, and return the key to the firehouse. Please do not keep it with you. At the end of the night the last person there must turn the light on and then lock the box.

Date: June 15, 2018

Time: Dusk – Dawn

Location: Cornland Park, 2908 Benefit Rd, Chesapeake, VA 23322

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Nightwatch

Nightwatch is the BBAA's "observers only" session at Chippokes Plantation State Park near Surry, but while not a public outreach event, we welcome all observers to come out and set up their gear. This is where we can work with new members on using their equipment or just getting together.

The session runs from dusk until dawn. Our night use of the park requires a permit (see note below) and at least one copy of the permit must be present during the event. Members are asked to put a 8x10 sign with "BBAA" in large letters on the dash of their vehicles. All members must pay the \$5.00 fee at the entrance to the park. At the gatehouse, look for the plastic box that has the envelopes to put your money into. Take the receipt, and put the envelope into the slot. The observation site is at the other end of the park.

Date: June 16 – June 17, 2018

Time: 7:30 PM – 6:30 AM

Location: Chippokes Plantation State Park, 74 Chippokes Park Road, Surry, VA 23883

Corn Watch

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Date: June 22, 2018

Time: Dusk – Dawn

Location: Cornland Park, 2908 Benefit Rd, Chesapeake, VA 23322

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. Come on out and look at, and enjoy, our closest star, the Sun.

Expected Visitors: 20

Club Members Needed: 3

Date: June 23, 2018

Time: 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

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

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Boardwalk Astronomy #2

Come join the Back Bay Amateur Astronomers club members for our monthly Boardwalk Astronomy summer series event. Telescopes will be set up on the Virginia Beach Boardwalk near the 24th Street Stage to allow the public an opportunity to observe the night sky for free. Solar scopes will be used until sunset for safe views of the Sun and then guests will be able to observe the Moon and any other night sky objects for the rest of the event.

*If the weather doesn't cooperate on Tuesday our backup date for this event is the following Thursday.

** If you want to chip in for pizza we are considering ordering some during the event and having it delivered to the boardwalk for dinner that evening.

Expected Visitors: 250

Club Members Needed: 8

Date: June 26, 2018

Time: 6:00 PM – 11:00 PM

Location: Boardwalk Astronomy Site, 2401 Atlantic Ave, Virginia Beach, VA 23451

May Outreach Results

Summary of outreach events results from previous month.

Event Name	Start Date	Start Time	End Time	RSVPs	Expected Visitors	Club Members Needed	Length of Event	Total Visitors	Member's Volunteer Hours
Skywatch @ Northwest River Park (Ended early due to weather conditions)	2018-05-05	8:00 PM	9:15 PM	0 Yes, 0 Probably	30	5	1.25 hours	20	5.9
Saturday "SUN" Day (Canceled due to weather)	2018-05-19	10:00 AM	1:00 PM	0 Yes, 0 Probably				NA	NA
Boardwalk Astronomy #1	2018-05-24	6:00 PM	11:00 PM	2 Yes, 0 Probably	250	10	5 hours	400	41
TOTALS					280	15	6.25 HRS	420	46.9