

BBAA Astronomy Club meeting July 16, 2022 at BBAA annual picnic, Also broadcast on Facebook live.

President Shawn Loescher called the meeting to order

Vice President Events Report, Jeff Goldstein

Calendar of events

July 2022

- Garden Stars @ NBG, 7/5 @ 8:30 PM
- Saturday "SUN" day @ Elizabeth River Park 7/9 @ 10 AM
- Boardwalk Astronomy #3, 7/12 @ 6 PM
- JWST 1st Images, Chesapeake Planetarium, TCC Planetarium and VB Plaza Middle School 7/12 @ 11 AM
- BBAA summer picnic, Elizabeth River Park 7/16 @ 11 AM
- Corn Watch @ Cornland Park, 7/22
- Skywatch @ Northwest River State Park, 7/23 @ 8:00 PM
- Corn Watch @ Cornland Park, 7/29
- Nightwatch @ Chippokes Plantation State Park, 7/30

August 2022

- Garden Stars @ NBG, 8/2 @ 8:30 PM
- BBAA General meeting, 8/4 @ 7:30 PM, Tidewater Community College VB Campus
- Fort Story Family Stargazing, 8/5 @ 9:00 PM, Fort Story Library, Virginia Beach
- Boardwalk Astronomy #4, 8/9 @ 6 PM, 2401 Atlantic Ave, Virginia Beach
- Saturday "SUN" day 8/13 @ 10:00 AM, Elizabeth River Park, Chesapeake VA.
- Skywatch at Bacon's Castle, 8/13 @ 7:00 PM, 465 Bacons Castle Trl, Surry, VA
- The Nature Bus Star Party, 8/14 @ 8:30 PM, Cornland Park, 2908 Benefit Rd
- Corn Watch @ Cornland Park, 8/19, 2908 Benefit Rd. Chesapeake VA.
- Nightwatch @ Chippokes Plantation State Park, 8/27, Surry, VA.

Secretary's Report:

A motion was made to dispense in the reading of the minutes, which was approved.

Treasurer's Report:

No treasurer's report at this meeting.

Old Business:

The three James Webb Space Telescope events that the club participated in went very well. The sun was visible the entire event and many sunspots and prominences were seen.

Mars festival taking place at ODU in Norfolk October 14 thru October 16, 2022. The BBAA has been invited to partake once again. We will have a better location than we did for the last moon event that happen in October 2021.

Observing Reports:

Eddie Parris has been able to image comet K2, or Pan-STARRS in early July. Eddie reports it's not showing a tail, but a well-defined large nucleus. It's still a telescope object at this time, however.

Several door prizes were given out via raffle tickets.

Meeting portion of the picnic adjourned around 1:30 PM.