

# **BBAA Meeting Minutes**

**JULY 13, 2024**

The July meeting of the Back Bay Amateur Astronomers was held at Elizabeth River Park during the annual BBAA family picnic. President George Reynolds called the meeting to order about 11:00am.

## **Members in Attendance:**

A total of 22 club members and their families and friends attended the picnic. They were: Eddie Parris, Riley Brauer (Eddie's grandson), Chris and Betsy Burris, Samantha Burris, Scott Burris, Gabriel Dandrade, Jeff and Linda Goldstein, George and Linda Reynolds, Jonathan Scheetz, Mel Spruill, Patrick Vartuli, Robert Schmidt, John Almeter, Shawn Loescher, Kent Blackwell, Robert Hitt, Jeff Thornton, Geoff Runyon, Kenny Brown, David and Kathlene Wright, Michael Hall.

## **Reports:**

There were no reports from the Secretary or Treasurer. The Vice President Jeff Goldstein read out the upcoming calendar of events for July and August.

## **Calendar:**

- Boardwalk Astronomy #3 7/16 @6:00-11:00pm
- Saturday "SUN" Day @ Elizabeth River Park 7/20 @10:00am-1:00pm
- Skywatch@ Northwest River Park 7/27 @ 8:00-12:00am
- Club Meeting 8/1 @ 7:30-9:00pm VB Campus
- York River State Park Stargazing 8/3-8/4 @6:00pm-5:00am
- Astronomy Day Portsmouth Public Library 8/7 @10:00am-11:00pm
- NAVSTA Norfolk MWR Great Navy Campout 8/10 @5:00pm-10:pm
- Perseid Meteor Shower 8/13 @ 11:00pm-4:00am
- Boardwalk Astronomy #4 8/13 @6:00-11:00pm
- Jupiter/Mars Conjunction 8/14 @4:00am-6:00am
- Garden Stars 8/15 @ 8:30-10:00pm
- Great Navy Campout 8/16 @6:00-10:00pm
- Saturday "SUN" Day @ Elizabeth River Park 8/17 @ 10:00-1:00pm
- Skywatch@ Northwest River Park 8/31 @ 8:00-12:00am

**Old Business: None.**

**New Business: None.**

## **Observing Reports:**

Several members gave their reports on their observations such as the Cygnus Wall, and other various nebulas. Jeff Goldstein captured Pluto on his SeeStar S50 Smart Telescope.

Door prize tickets were given out at the beginning and after everyone eat five green laser pointers were given as the door prizes. Members that had laser pointers returned there ticket to allow other members a chance to win one.

**Meeting Adjourned @ 1:30pm**