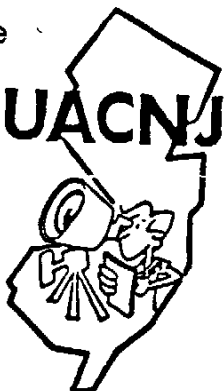

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UACNJ Meeting Notice

The next meeting of the UACNJ will be held on Saturday, June 11, 1994 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the Jersey StarQuest, in Beemerville, NJ. AAAP are our hosts. Please try to have the representative from your club attend.



UACNJ Astronomy Day @ Jenny Jump

Astronomy Day at Jenny Jump was a casual astronomical event. There were about 100 visitors to the house, including many of our neighbors. It began at 3:00 p.m. at the observatory site. There were displays by amateurs and clubs from around the state. Several telescopes and the spectra scope were on display. There was solar observing during the afternoon, and a swap table and flea market. Radio astronomy was represented by a satellite downlink which received NASA select live coverage of the Space Shuttle Mission. In the evening there was good viewing despite a bright moon. To top off a great day, for those who stayed up until 1 AM, was a fine aurora display.

Building an Observatory

Work sessions at Jenny Jump State Park in Hope, NJ continue to be held on Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Anyone willing to help work on the facility is more than welcome. Call Barry 908- 755-6932 for more information. There is a telephone at the Jenny Jump Observatory (201-459-4909). However it does not have an answering machine attached so it is only answered when there are people there. (sounds like a call for a donation of an answering machine is in order.)

Research At Jenny Jump

On April 9, 1994 there was a meeting of those interested in being involved in doing research activities at the observatory. This will be an organizational meeting to discuss subject areas, individuals, and any observers' ideas. Areas of interest to be pursued as an organization are; meteor photography and crash of the comet into Jupiter. If you would like to participate or have questions, call Barry (908) 755-6932.

UACNJ Speaker's List

UACNJ Speaker's List will be distributed at the next UACNJ meeting (at StarQuest). Submit any additions, corrections or deletions to Bruce Rights, P. O. Box 2682, Branchville, NJ 07826 by June 1, 1994.

Special UACNJ Star Party

From 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. there will be a star party at the Jenny Jump Observatory on June 4, July 9, August 6, and Sept 10, 1994 for any member of a UACNJ club.

UACNJ Meetings, 1994

UACNJ meetings are held Saturday mornings from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

DATE	HOST AND LOCATION
June 11	Jersey StarQuest Beemerville
Sept. 10	UACNJ Jenny Jump State Park, Hope (preceding symposium)
Nov. 12	AAAP, Trenton Museum, Trenton

Jenny Jump Membership

Individual memberships as a Jenny Jump Observer have expired as of May 1, 1994. Please use the enclosed form to renew your membership. We are ready to provide programs and events to members, clubs and to the public.

Club memberships have expired as of April 1, 1994. Please ask your club treasurer to send in your clubs dues. It should be sent to: UACNJ, 20 Helen Street, Warren, NJ 07059. We appreciate your support.

UACNJ Bulletin Board - For Sale

The UACNJ Bulletin Board is open for business. Through it, astronomical items you wish to sell may be advertised throughout the New Jersey area clubs. There is no cost to list items. However, should you sell an item, we request a 10% donation be sent to the UACNJ to help fund UACNJ projects. (Mail to Wayne Zuhl, UACNJ Treasurer, 717 Brookside Place, Cranford, NJ 07016.) This will be an on-your-honor service. Please submit your ad to the newsletter editor by the submission date below.

Wanted to Buy: DayStar Solar Filter.
Need complete system.
Contact Evert Bond at 201-993-5821.

UACNJ Messier Certificate

The UACNJ Messier Certificate program is designed to encourage amateurs to become involved in observing deep sky objects.

Certificates have been issued to the following people:

James Chenard, Wayne Zuhl, Bill Kuriskin, Alan Witzgall, Marylynn Butner, Stephen Bryant.

Binocular Certificates have been issued to Wayne Zuhl, Edward Radomski, Stephen Bryant.

For information contact Duane Degutis, P.O. Box 373, Hopatcong, NJ, 07843, (201) 398-1039.

UACNJ Observatory at Jenny Jump Public Evenings and Special Events

Sept. 10

New Jersey Astronomy Symposium.
(12:00 noon to late evening:
lectures, UACNJ clubs' displays, flea
market and swap tables, evening
star party.)

Saturday Night Presentation and
Observing: 8:00-10:00 p.m.

May	14, 21, 28
June	4, 11, 18, 25
July	2, 9, 16, 23, 30
August	6, 13, 20, 27
September	3, 10*, 17, 24
October	1, 8
November	5
December	3

* See above

UACNJ needs to staff these nights
with a public program presenter and
people to help the public observe.
Remember, Jenny Jump Observers
are expected to help staff 2 nights
per year. Pick your two, NOW!

UACNJ Newsletter, 1994

UACNJ Newsletter publication dates
will be August 6, October 8, and
December 17. Submitt news to
Bruce Rights, P. O. Box 2682,
Branchville, NJ 07826 one week
prior to the publication date. I.e.:
July 31, October 1, and December
10.

IN SOME OF THE OTHER CLUBS:

If you would like your club's events
listed here, please submit a club
calendar or event notice to the
newsletter editor before the
submission deadline.

StarQuest - June 10-12, 1994

Once again the Amateur Astronomy
Association of Princeton will be
hosting their annual StarQuest
weekend astronomy/camping event,
at the Beemerville, NJ location.
Running from Friday evening to mid
Sunday, there will be the usual
events...speakers, vendors, swap
tables, and observing in dark skies,
etc. In addition to the Telescope
Making Contest introduced in 1992,
there will be a Messier Marathon
competition held Friday evening for
which about 18 have already signed
up. Call Larry Smith at 908-359-
4322 for information and a
registration form. We hope to see
you there.