The Peterborough Astronomical Association will hold its regular monthly meeting, which take place on the first Friday of the month, on April 5th. The meeting location is the Rotary Education Centre/Guest Services Building, Riverview Park Zoo, Peterborough.

The PAA is again presenting the **"Novice Astronomy Classes".** This year the classes are focused on the practical aspects of learning astronomy. They will introduce you to equipment, software and many other astronomy related subjects at a very basic level. You will get hands on with equipment and learn to use it and other tools of astronomy. This month's session will be presented by members, Dixie Shilling and Rick Stankiewicz and . Later in the season, we will have a self-paced course on Viewing the Moon. Those interested, should be at the above mentioned meeting location by **6:00 p.m.** The classes will run 45 minutes each session, before our regular meetings.

Before the main presentation, we will look at the **"Sky This Month".** Be informed about the locations of the planets of the solar system and what is happening in the sky above us for the month to come.

Our **presentation for April** will start shortly after 7:00 p.m. and features club President, David Mills, doing a presentation entitled "Spring in to Astronomy with the Deep Sky". This will take everyone on a guided tour of the major constellations from west to east. Constellations will include Monoceros, Virgo, Coma Berenices, Sagitta, Aquila, Cygnus and Hercules. David will be looking at New General Catalog (NGC) and Messier Objects in those constellations, as they rise during the nights of April through May. Come and learn about the night sky and the wonders it has to offer this time of year. The price is right…it costs you nothing but your time.

There will also be the usual opportunities to come and check out the PAA and all it has to offer, also at no cost. This is an all ages meeting and the venue is barrier free. Also, you don't need a telescope to belong, but a curious mind helps.