

PAA Monthly Meeting – May 7, 2021

The monthly meeting of the Peterborough Astronomical Association's (PAA) will take place **online** May 7th, instead of at our customary location of the Rotary Education Centre/Guest Services Building, Riverview Park Zoo, but instead in **your own home**. Even Covid-19 cannot stop the spread of information and knowledge by the members of the PAA. Our work around involves using a platform called Zoom. **To participate** just make sure that in advance, you opened a (free) Zoom account on whatever iphone or tablet device you wish to participate with and then **contact** https://www.peterboroughastronomy.com/zoom_register.php for the **password and link** to our evenings presentations.

Our “**Novice Astronomy Classes**” are focused on the practical aspects of learning about astronomy. You will be introduced to astronomy related subjects at a very basic level, but in a logical sequence. This month's session is entitled “**Trusted Astronomy Resources on the Net**” - sources for breaking news, information, resource tools, object identification and observation planning. If you are even remotely interested, be on-line by **6:00 p.m.** to see what you can and can't see in the world around you. The classes will run about 45 minutes each session, before our regular meeting resumes.

Shortly **after 7:00 p.m.** there will be a brief meeting. The main presentation for this month will be “**Sky Jewels of the Southern Hemisphere**”, by PAA President, David Mills. The southern skies of our planet are very different than what we can see in the north and this talk will take you on a tour of the must see objects in the sky if and when you ever venture south of the equator. We guarantee you will see and learn things you never knew before. A feast for the eyes and a thirsty brain. The price is right...it costs you nothing but your time. The **Sky This Month** will be posted on our club website for all to access. There will also be the usual opportunities to have your questions answered, at no cost. All we ask is that you register in advance at https://www.peterboroughastronomy.com/zoom_register.php This is an all ages meeting and the venue is totally barrier free. Just relax at home and “live and learn” as they say. Also, you don't need a telescope to participate, but a curious mind helps.