THE MAINE STATE STAR PARTY 2021



Maine's Astronomy Convention

Friday/Saturday August 27-28, 2021 Cobscook Bay State Park, Edmunds, Maine Hosted by the *Downeast Amateur Astronomers* Washington County's own Astronomy Club

Friday August 27 (can arrive any time after 1 p.m.) Set up camping gear, telescope(s) <u>Friday evening observing</u>

Saturday August 28 <u>Solar observing</u> throughout the day several solar telescopes will be set up for viewing There will also be a swap/sell table for anyone wanting to sell, trade or buy!

(Due to the Covid-19 we are not scheduling guest speakers, ...but impromptu presentations are encouraged)

Saturday evening observing

For more info, contact Charlie Sawyer at 207-214-4511 or csawyer7@roadrunner.com



Bring your scope And bring your tent We all know It's time well spent



Mark the date of August 27/28 on your calendar for the MAINE STATE STAR PARTY 2021 I hope you all can attend this year. Some things to mention:

- 1. Once again, the camping is free for campers who stay on the <u>star party site</u>. Anyone who comes to the park for the event but chooses to get their own campsite in the park would have to pay for the individual site.
- 2. Those making a decision at the last minute are welcome... no reservations needed.
- 3. The star party site is usually for tents but anyone with a camper can find room to park there. Let me know <csawyer?@roadrunner.com> so that I can make sure I the park knows who will be coming in with a camper and is planning to stay on the site.
- 4. There is a water fountain on the star party site location and latrines near by. A small grocery store is about 4 miles to the west. Each individual/group brings your own food. The closest restaurant is about 15 miles east or 20 miles west.
- Cobscook Bay State Park is about 90 miles downeast on Rt 1 from Bangor. You could also travel down Rt 9 and turn right to Machias in Wesley and then head east on Rt 1 for another 20 miles. <u>https://www.maine.gov/dacf/parksearch/PropertyGuides/PDF_GUIDE/cobscookbayguide.pdf</u>

If anyone has any questions you can e-mail me or call me at <u>207-214-4511</u>. I have already put my order in for perfect weather for that weekend, let's make the attendance equally great! One final note. The main thing that would possibly cancel this is obviously bad weather such as a hurricane or severe rain. I always watch the weather before the event so I will certainly send out any announcements days before the event to let anyone know who has to travel a great distance.

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