

THE TEXAS STAR PARTY

2022 TELESCOPE OBSERVING CLUB

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RULES AND REGULATIONS

Welcome to the Texas Star Party's Telescope Observing Club. The purpose of this club is not to test your observing skills by throwing the toughest objects at you that are hard to see under any conditions, but to give you an opportunity to observe 29 objects under the ideal conditions of these pristine West Texas skies, thus displaying them to their best advantage. The regular observing program is “WHAT’S IN A NAME?”. All the objects have a common name they are and can be referred to. You will need to observe **20 objects** of the 29 available to get your pin, If you are using a smaller scope and have a little trouble with some of the objects, mark it as “tried” and move on. You will still get credit for the object. Pins for previous years’ lists are becoming scarce. If you want to complete a list for a pin, download the list from the TSP archive and then contact me to see if pins are available.

Simple. Any size telescope can be used. All observations must be made at the Texas Star Party to qualify. All objects are within range of small (6”) to medium sized (10”) telescopes, and are available for observation between 10:00PM and 4:00AM any time during the TSP. Each person completing this list will receive an official Texas Star Party Telescope Observing Club lapel pin. These pins are not sold at the TSP and can only be acquired by completing the program, so wear them proudly.

To receive your pin, turn in your observations to *Chris Ober* any time during the Texas Star Party. I will be at the outside door leading into the TSP Meeting Hall each day between 1:00 PM and 2:30 PM. If you finish the list the last night of TSP, or if I am not available to give you your pin, just mail your observations to me at 110 Indian Blanket St, Cibolo, TX 78108 and I will see that you get a pin.

Good luck and good observing. Now, let's get out there and **observe!!!**

P.S. If you would like to see some of your favorite objects on a future TSP program, or have any ideas for a new program, let me know during TSP or email me at chris@oberphoto.com

You can download previous years’ observing programs from the TSP website at
www.texasstarparty.org

"WHAT'S IN A NAME?"

Object	Type	Con	Date	Time
Intergalactic Wanderer	Glb Cl	Lyn		
Bear Paw	Glx	Lyn		
Pancake Galaxy	Glx	UMa		
Cigar Galaxy	Glx	UMa		
Spindle Galaxy	Glx	Sex		
Silver Needle	Glx	CVn		
St. Katherine's Wheel	Glx	Com		
Cocoon Galaxy	Glx	CVn		
Lemon Slice	PI Nb	Cam		
Lost Galaxy	Glx	Vir		
Siamese Twins	Glx	Vir		
Whale Galaxy	Glx	CVn		
Superwind Galaxy	Glx	Vir		
Black Eye Galaxy	Glx	Com		
Sunflower Galaxy	Glx	CVn		
Centarus A	Glx	Cen		
Splinter Galaxy	Glx	Dra		
White Eyed Pea	PI Nb	Her		
Turtle Nebula	PI Nb	Her		
Little Ghost Nebula	PI Nb	Oph		
Cat's Eye Nebula	PI Nb	Dra		
Blue Racquetball	PI Nb	Oph		
Star Queen	O Cl	Ser		
Serpens Object	Diff Nb	Ser		
Phantom Streak	PI Nb	Aql		
Campbell's Hydrogen Star	PI Nb	Cyg		
Minkowski's Footprint	PI Nb	Cyg		
Barnard's Galaxy	Glx	Sgr		
Cheeseburger Nebula	PI Nb	Cyg		