



Star Night at Mt Canopus Observatory

Astronomical Society of Tasmania
And
University of Tasmania
The School of Mathematics & Physics

Saturday 21th April, 7:30 pm

Location:

Mt Canopus Observatory, Centauri Drive near Mt Rumney.

Driving Instructions

Mt Canopus is located half way between Hobart and the airport on Mt Rumney. Take the highway A3 to the airport, take the Cambridge/Richmond turnoff B31 and turn immediately right under the freeway toward Mt Rumney on C328. Take first left up Grahams Road and then next left up Centauri Drive, take long sweeping right at next junction then up the hill onto Canopus Drive. You'll see the dome on the right at the top of the hill.

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Parking is outside the grounds.

Admission: \$2 individual \$5 family

What you'll see: (weather permitting)

There will be regular tours of the research 1-meter telescope by staff from the University. You won't be able to look through the really big telescope. But there will be many other telescopes available for great views of the planets and stars, each with an expert guide from the Astronomical Society of Tasmania.

On the Moon you'll see craters, mountains, and wide smooth plains. WOW. Saturn with its magnificent rings will be high in the sky. Then there are lots of double stars, clouds of glowing gas floating in space lit by stars and faint far away galaxies.

There will be talks, by staff from the University.

Bad weather

Of course if it's cloudy, the night sky viewing will not be possible, but the tours and talks will go ahead.

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**Map showing
Canopus Observatory
Hobart, Tasmania**

