

RASC Yukon Centre – Meeting and Public Observing Schedule – 2018

Our new program, the ***Monday Night Astronomers*** is a new, exciting format of meetings for the RASC Yukon Centre, that consists of a mixture of classroom education and observational astronomy. If the sky is clear, the preference will be given to education under the sky and observation with telescopes, while on cloudy nights we will present a topic for learning and discussion in the classroom.

Date	Event highlight/Observing target	Event Location/Meeting time
February 19. Monday	Monday Night Astronomers and Public Observation Orion Nebula, Auriga and Gemini Open Clusters. Algol (minimum).	Yukon College - 7:00 PM
February 23. Friday	Aldebaran 0.7° of the Moon First Quarter	Grey Mountain Lookout – 9:30 PM
March 5. Monday	Monday Night Astronomers and Public Observation	Yukon College 7:00PM
March 15. Thursday	Mercury, Venus. Mercury in greatest elongation, and visible towards the West	Fish Lake by the lake – 7:00PM
March 19 Monday	Monday Night Astronomers and Public Observation	Yukon College – 7:00PM
April 7. Saturday	Early morning planets – Jupiter, Saturn, Mars (S)	Fish Lake Road – Roadside Parking Lot – 5:00 AM
April 16. Monday	Monday Night Astronomers and Public Observation	Yukon College – 7:00PM
April 18. Wednesday	Moon almost occults Aldebaran! Excellent visibility (W)	Grey Mountain Lookout -10:15 PM
April 30. Monday	Monday Night Astronomers and Public Observation	Yukon College – 7:00PM
May 9. Wednesday	Jupiter at opposition	Grey Mountain Lookout – 11:45PM to 2 AM
May 14. Monday	Monday Night Astronomers and Public Observation	Yukon College – 7:00PM
May 28. Monday	Monday Night Astronomers and Public Observation	Yukon College – 7:00PM
August 11-13 Saturday/Sunday / (Monday?)	Perseid Meteor Shower RASC Members' Camping Event	Meteor watch from 11:00 PM to 4 AM Details to be announced
August 24-26 Friday – Sunday	August 24-26: 2nd Yukon Star Party August 25- 26: Mercury in greatest elongation	Details to be announced

September 3. Monday	Monday Night Astronomers and Public Observation	Yukon College – 7:00PM
September 17. Monday	Monday Night Astronomers and Public Observation (should we cancel this because of Kluane event date?)	Yukon college – 7:00PM
September 20-22 Friday/Saturday	Kluane Northern Nights Festival Outreach event with Parks Canada	Kathleen Lake, Haines Junction Program to be announced
October 8. Monday	Monday Night Astronomers and Public Observation (1 day off-New-Moon event) Draconid Meteor Shower	Yukon College: Attendants to go to Grey Mountain at 8:00PM
October 24. Wednesday	Uranus at Opposition.	Observatory – 09:00PM
October 29. Monday	Monday Night Astronomers and Public Observation	Yukon College – 7:00PM
November 12. Monday	Monday Night Astronomers and Public Observation Mars has great visibility for Northern observers.	Yukon College – 7:00PM
November 26. Monday	Monday Night Astronomers and Public Observation	Yukon College – 7:00PM
December 6. Thursday	Neptune and Mars 0.04° close!	Observatory – 7:00PM
December 10.	Monday Night Astronomers and Public Observation – 46P/Wirtanen Comet watch begins	Yukon College – 7:00PM
December 12. Wednesday	Comet Watcher Astronomers' Night with Public Observation Bright comet outreach event: 46P/Wirtanen comet in perihelion. Well placed in Taurus. Expected +3.0m. Geminid Meteor shower peaks	Location: Details to be announced
December 16-18.	Comet 46P/Wirtanen is closest to Earth	Observatory – 7:00 PM daily