

It's **FREE** and it's on 24/7, all day and all night* from
5pm Friday 14 Sept — 10am Monday 17 Sept.
That's a big window of opportunity to pay us a visit!

Day - Telescope tours
There's no better chance to see a wide variety of sizes and types of instrument and talk to their owners at the same time.

Day - Telescope setup
Struggling with setting up your own instrument?
Bring it along and we'll help you, but we can only do so during broad daylight.

Marquee - Gravity well
See how a solar system can form.
You can assist with the early formation!

Marquee - Exhibitions
Videos, display boards, posters, and demos.

Marquee - "Ask an astronomer"
Bring your burning questions to our panel.

Night - Telescope control
Time to get your hands on one of our allocated instruments to use with our help.

Night - Smartphone astrophotography
Snap the Moon with your smartphone through a 'scope.

Campsite - Refreshments
Tea & coffee, soft drinks, ice creams & confectionary available in lounge.

Campsite - Hot food
Mobile catering vendor on-site serving a variety of food at peak times.

Day - Safe solar observing
White light; Hydrogen alpha; projection.
The only safe ways to observe the sun, demonstrated by experts.

Marquee - Talks & lectures
A number of speakers on a variety of topics.
(see website for titles and times)

Marquee - Optical displays
A number of scientific optical displays with help on hand for the explanations.

Night - Guided night sky tours
Our guide when pointing out an object, will advise which numbered telescope is tracking it, so you can observe it later.

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