

Re: SAA Drivel

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atm2020 wrote:

I have noticed that probably 90% of SAA discussion is about spending money on telescopes/equipment and various levels of telescope bashing. Nothing much about actual astronomy other than "I saw such and such" or "the weather is bad". Pretty lame ducks here.

Hi ATM, TMA, Mike...or whatever you're calling yourself today. :-)

There's a reason for that. s.a.a. is NOT about astronomy in general. While we'll occasionally discuss the latest Hubble shot, the doings of NASA, or news from the most recent AAS convention, that's not what we're here for.

We're here to discuss observational astronomy...that is, amateur astronomy. Including:

Equipment.
Observing conditons.
What we saw.

I'd guess that you're either:

A) Not an amateur astronomer and happened on this site and assumed that because "astronomy" is in the title we're a general interest astronomy group. Again, we're not. As above, this group is devoted to the PRACTICE of amateur astronomy.

B) Just another troll in a long line of Nancys, Danny Mins, Oriels, and Shawn Grants. This would be indicated by the fact that you've changed your screenname at least once, which is usually done to defeat peoples' killfiles. Also by this post. Stuff like, "Pretty lame ducks here" is generally designed to stimulate the outraged responses (and thus ATTENTION) that trolls crave.

I hope the anwer is "A." In either case, you'd probably be more happy with these groups:

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sci.astro: This is our parent group. It's now largely devoted to general astronomy discussions, "theory" discussions (including participants' own special theories), and _much_ off-topic arguing and trolling.

alt.astronomy: Much like sci.astro, only _moreso_.

Quite a few general discussion Yahoogroups like Starry Nights (though these groups are moderated, and people not willing to follow the rules will be ejected in short order).

Peace,

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