

Re: Canton/Postsdam, NY observers?

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hi there!

starburst wrote:

I'm not too far away, down near Utica. It's really dark, especially out in the countryside.

good, I was hoping for that.

You might have some problems with the light domes of Ottawa and Montreal, though. Still, beautiful Milky Way vistas. Aside from the cloud cover, which can be pretty annoying at times, the only problem is the steadiness of the seeing. Not great on planets – I can only really collimate well a few nights a year. Hope you brought a warm jacket and a snow shovel (chuckle). It's *cold* up here.

Yes, I've heard about the cold, but I've lived through many Iowa winters, and NE Ohio hasn't been a tropical paradise either in the winter months so I hope I'll be ok :-). I was hoping to move out west, e.g., CA, so I almost tossed out all of my cold weather clothing, glad I held on to them. (This is a one year visiting position, so I may still end up somewhere more warm next year)

I don't think the area I'm moving to gets nearly as much snow or clouds as where you are, but that's all based on hear-say. I also have no feeling regarding the timing of things, ie when it starts getting too cold or when it starts warming up again. I hope I can locate an accessible dark site soon so that I can take advantage of this time now, before it gets too busy with work (and the temps turn too cold).

Welcome to the neighborhood – Chris

thanks, another new experience.

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Esmail

ps: I have to believe that there are other amateur astronomers up there, they just probably aren't reading usenet. Anyway, I've always mostly observed on my own. Give me a safe dark site I can get to when I want, and I'm all ok :-)

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