



Return to the Hive

We have been back to the Glentroll Hive for the Orionid Maximum on 21st October, using the 4K laptop and projector with the new 150 inch portable projection screen, shown here during Andy Sawers' presentation.

Observing conditions were poor to awful once again, and nobody saw any meteors outside, although Brian and Robin were able to show off some of the brighter stars during breaks in the clouds.

We had a number of young people at the event and they seemed to enjoy the presentations, especially the meteors animation from the Royal Observatory Greenwich which we have shared in the "GFAS Chat" Facebook group. We also had a Polish family along, spending part of the school holidays in the Hive's accommodation suite. Once again we were very glad to have the Hive staff looking after the promotion of the event and supporting us.

We are back in the Hive on Saturday Oct 28th, for a session on eclipses of the Moon. Event starts at 8:00 pm.



The new 150 inch screen in the Hive

GFAS AGM 2023

We are going to hold the 2023 AGM as a hybrid event, both face-to-face and online via Zoom, on Friday 10th November at 7:00 pm in the Newton Stewart Centre, Church Street, Newton Stewart. This will be our first hybrid AGM and all our members and friends are cordially invited to join in. Current members already have the Agenda and a proposed rewrite of our constitution to hand. The officers' reports, audited accounts and the Zoom link will be forwarded by email soon.

Membership subscriptions for 2023-2024 are due before or during the AGM as usual. See the membership panel below for details. Some members have already paid up, many thanks for that. We are happy to take subs by bank transfer, please email for the bank account details.

Upcoming Events

Our first school Dome visit since Covid is to Colmonell Primary School on Thursday 16th November 09:00 -13:00.

We are visiting the U3A Wigtownshire Astronomy Group in Wigtown County Buildings on Tuesday 5th December, 7:00 - 9:00 pm, with a presentation from Andy Sawers using the 4K projector and 150 inch screen.

We have a Dome visit to Ballantrae Primary in December, either the 7th or the 14th, to be confirmed.

GFAS Membership

We always welcome new members, especially juniors who join for free. Subs remain at £15.00 Adult, £25.00 Family, £0.00 Juniors or Students in full-time education. Just email members@gf-astro.org for a form.

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