

All of The Above

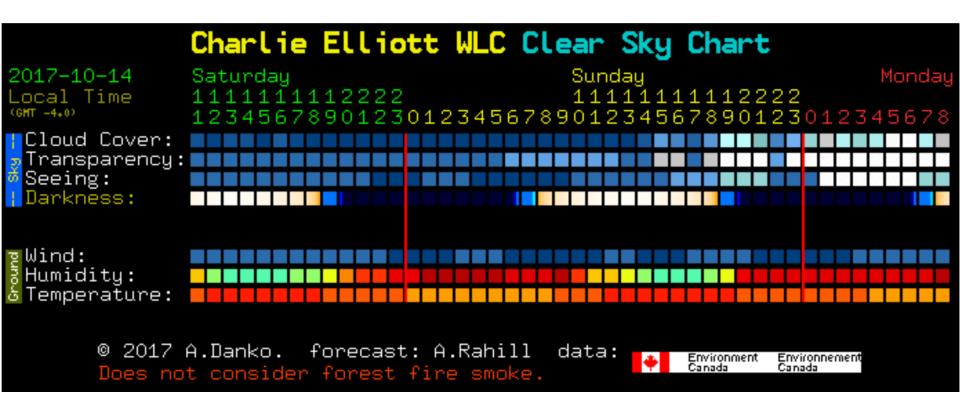


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October 2017

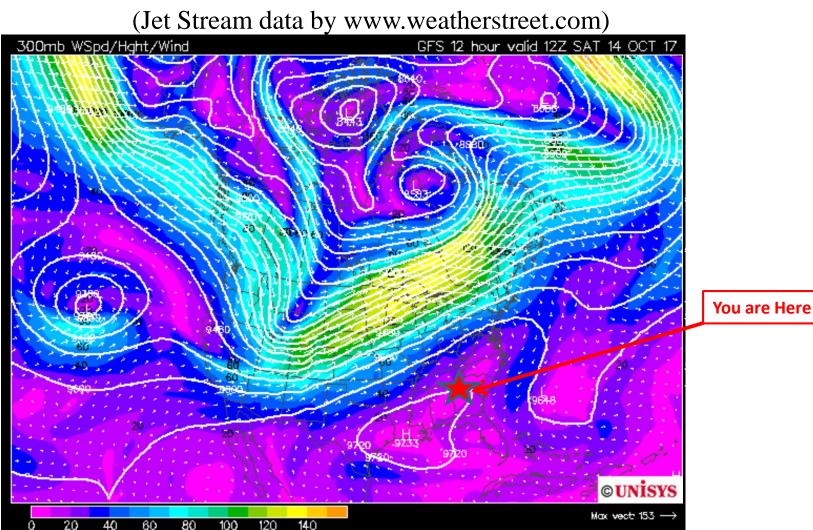


Current Conditions at Jon Wood Field



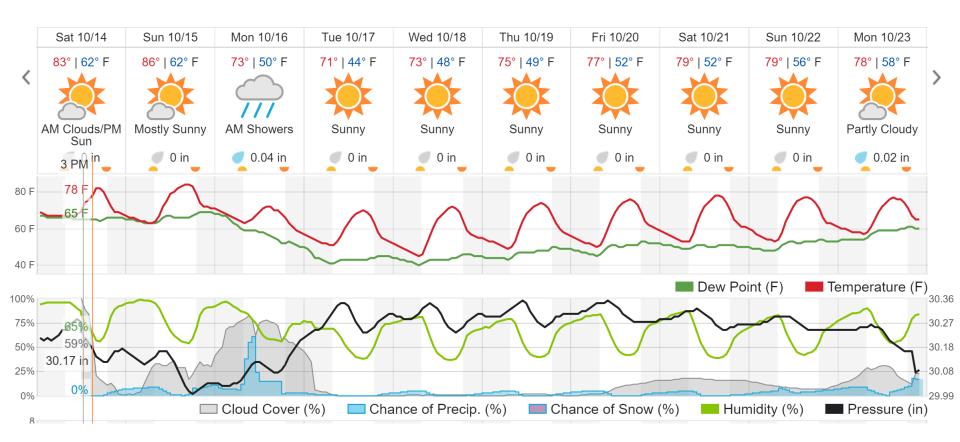


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Forecast for Jon Wood Field (Weather forecast data by www.wunderground.com)





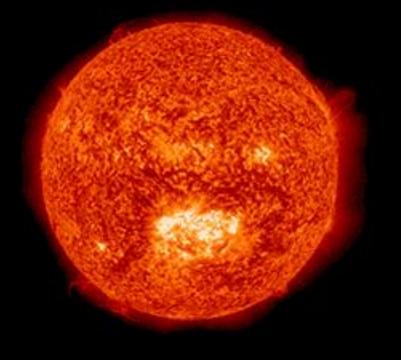
The Solar System: October 14, 2017

Body	Constellation	Rise	Set	When to View
Sun	Virgo	7:40 AM	7:03 PM	Between dawn and dusk
Moon	Leo	2:24 AM	4:16 PM	Daytime
Mercury	Virgo	8:00 AM	7:16 PM	Nope
Venus	Virgo	5:59 AM	6:12 PM	Morning Star in the East
Mars	Virgo	5:35 PM	5:56 PM	Next to Venus
Jupiter	Virgo	8:26 AM	7:31 PM	Too close to the sun now
Saturn	Ophiuchus	12:33 PM	10:31 PM	Evening in the SW
Uranus	Pisces	7:12 PM	8:12 AM	All night long
Neptune	Aquarius	5:15 PM	4:40 AM	Ditto
Pluto	Sagittarius	2:14 PM	12:18 AM	Please, spare me.





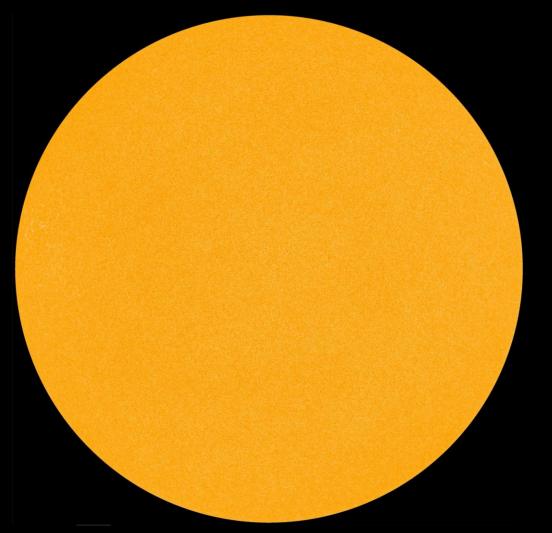
The Solar Update





The Sun: October 14, 2017

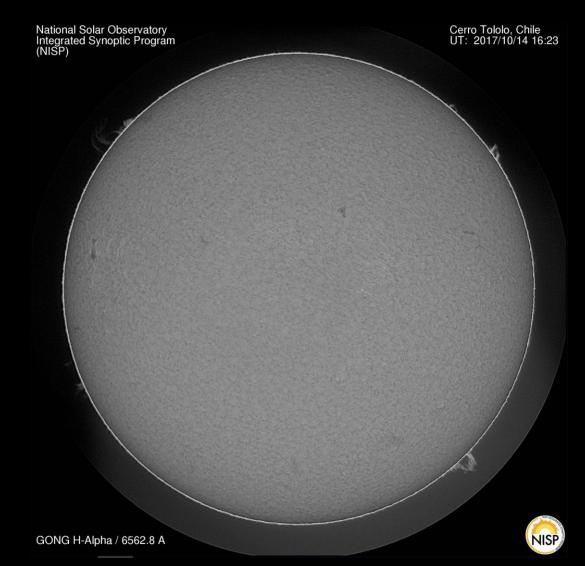
Solar image by www.spaceweather.com





The Sun-Ha: October 14, 2017

Image by www.gong2.nso.edu – Cerro Tololo, Chile



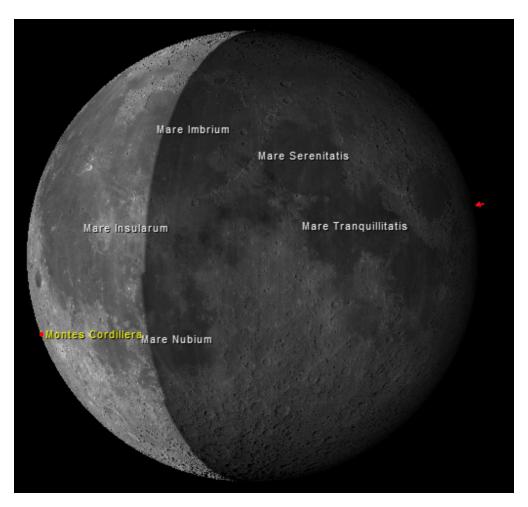


Time for the Lunar Update!





The Moon: October 14, 2017



Lunation: 25 Days

Illumination: 25.4%

Distance: 237,493 mi 382,209 km 1.27 Light Second

Apparent Diameter: 31.3'

Location: Leo

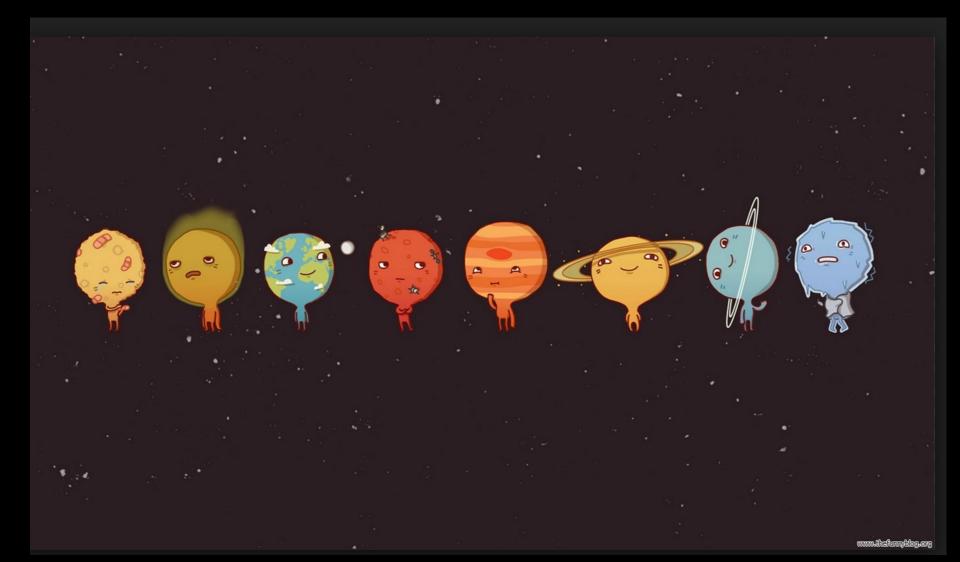


Lunar Events for October/ Early November

- October 19th New Moon
- October 24th Moon at Apogee
- October 27th 1st Quarter
- November 4th Full Moon
- November 5th Moon at Perigee
- November 10th Last Quarter



The Planet Update



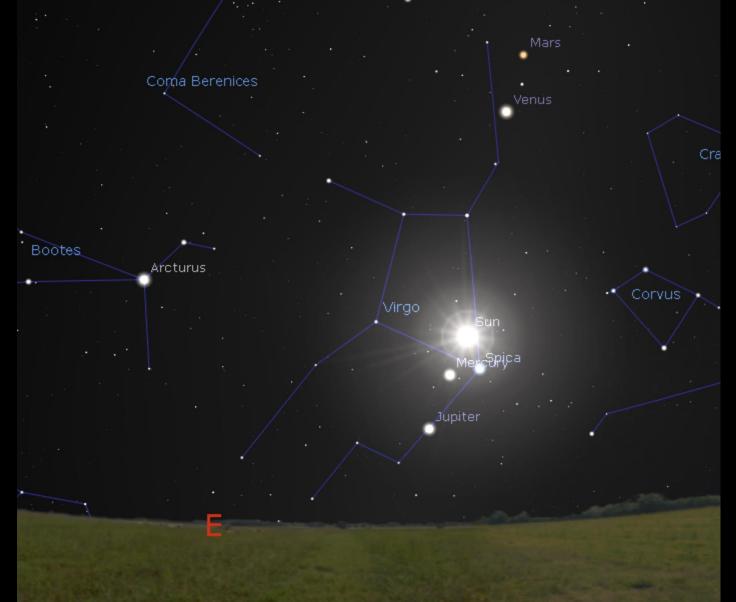


Saturn in the Evening



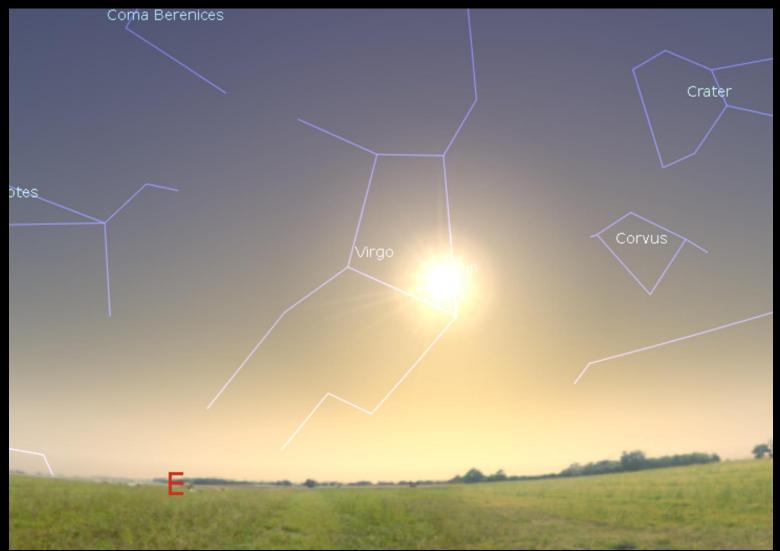


Venus, Mars, Mercury and Jupiter in the morning



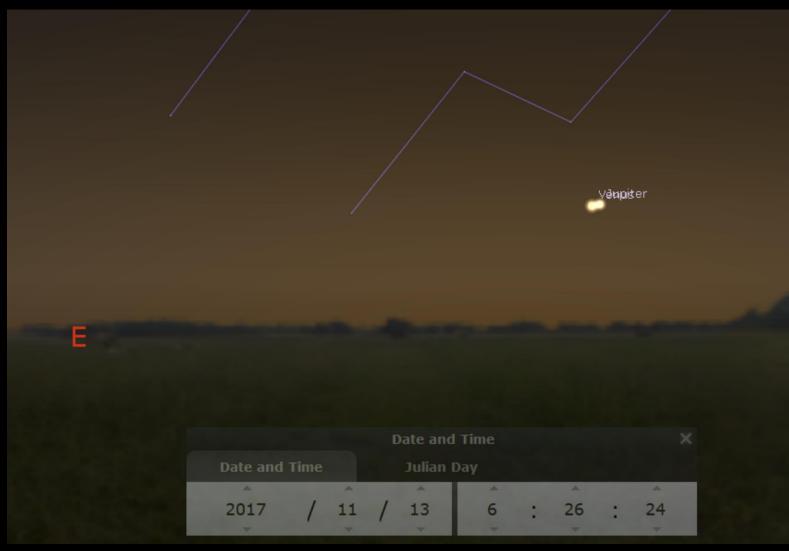


Venus, Mars, Mercury, Jupiter...and the SUN in the morning



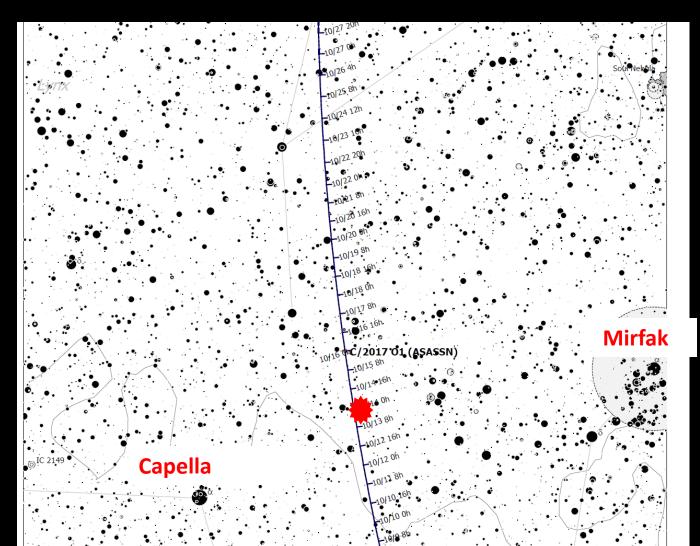


Jupiter / Venus Conjunction 11/13/17 0.3 Degrees





Comet C/2017 O1 (ASASSN1)





Constellation Update

Last Chance for the Jon Wood Field

Hercules	Aquila
Draco	Ursa Minor
Scutum	

High in the Sky (neck breakers):

Piscis Austrinus	Lacerta
Sculptor	Cassiopeia
Aquarius	Andromeda
Pegasus	

Fresh from the East:

Camelopardalis	Triangulum
Perseus	Aries
Pisces	Cetus



October/November Target Lists





October Target List: Relaxing Piece of cake

Target	Туре	Constellation	Notes	Image
M34	ос	Perseus	Look just below Gamma And Magnitude +5.5, 34'	
M76	PN	Perseus	The Little Dumbbell: Mag +10.1, 2.7' x 1.8'	
Melotte 20	ос	Perseus	Alpha Persei Cluster: Very large cluster surrounding Mirphak	
Algol	VS	Perseus	Classic variable star in Perseus. Mag +2.1 – +3.4, period - 2.86 days, Duration- 5 hours	
NGC 869/884	OC	Perseus	Naked eye target, easily located, Use low magnification.	



October Target List: Intriguing

Small to medium telescopes

Target	Туре	Constellation	Notes	Image
M33	GX	Triangulum	Very large, face-on spiral galaxy between Triangulum and Andromeda. Mag +5.7? NO WAY! LIES!!	
NGC 288	GC	Sculptor	Diffuse globular cluster in Sculptor. Mag +9.3, 13.8', Class X	
Ƴ Ceti	DS	Cetus	Tough double star: Mag +3.4, +6.6, @ 2.6"	
M77	GX	Cetus	Spiral Galaxy (aka NGC 1068): Mag +9.6, 7' x 6',	
M74	GX	Pisces	Spiral Galaxy (aka NGC 628): Mag +10, 10.5' x 9.5'	



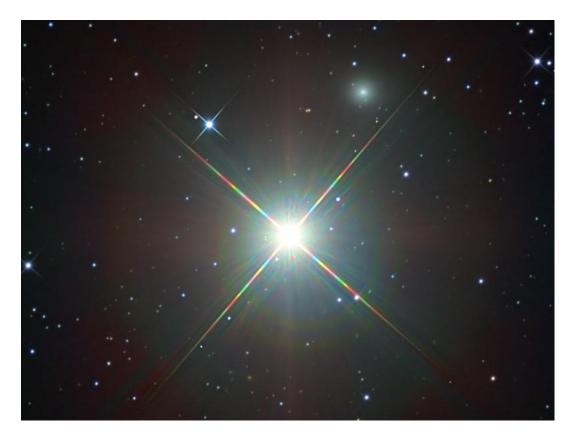
October Target List: Taxing Light Buckets

Target	Туре	Constellation	Notes	Image
α Piscium	DS	Pisces	Alrescha: Brutal double star at the tip of Pisces. Mag+4.4, 5.2 @ 1.8"	•
NGC 1275	GX	Perseus	Perseus A (Caldwell 24): Mag+12.6, 2.2' x 1.7', center of Perseus galaxy cluster	
IC 1805	NB	Cassiopeia	Heart Nebula: Mag +18.3 – Really not a visual target.	
IC 1848	NB	Cassiopeia	Soul Nebula Cluster: Open cluster in the nebulosity. Forget the nebula for visual observing.	
NGC 55	GX	Sculptor	The other edge on galaxy in Sculptor: Mag +7.87, 32' x 5'	



Observing Challenge of the Month NGC 404 – Ghost of Mirach

- Located in Andromeda
- Close to Mirach
- Mag +11.2
- 10M Light Years
- 3.5' x 3.5'



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Daylight Savings Time Ends November 5th



Don't forget to reset your mounts to the correct time zone (UT-5)



Celestial Events to Note:

- October 15th PSSG begins
- October 19th Uranus at Opposition
- October 21st Orionid Meteor shower peaks
- October 26th Jupiter in conjunction with the sun
- November 5th Daylight Saving Time ends
- Oct-Nov Comet C/2017 O1 ASASSN1 moves toward Polaris
- November 18th Next CEA meeting (constellation class will resume)



Clear Skies!

