

# Saskatoon and Regina RASC Centres present Saskatchewan Summer Star Party 2006 August 24 to 27

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 24

- 15:00-17:00 Early bird registration opens at Meadows campground
- 17:00-18:30 BBQ at Ampitheatre
- 18:30-20:30 First Nations Astronomy at Ampitheatre
- 21:00 Viewing at Meadows campground

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 25

- 12:30-13:00 Registration at Wapiti Room
- 13:00-16:00 Digital SLR Astrophotography Workshop with Alan Dyer at Wapiti Room
- 14:30-16:30 Registration at Meadows campground
- 17:30-19:00 Registration at Wapiti Room
- 18:00-19:00 Teleconference and slide show with Starfest Star Party
- 19:30-21:00 Featured presentations
- 21:00 Viewing at Meadows campground
- 21:30 Public Starnight viewing at tennis courts
- 22:00 Observing workshop at Meadows campground – First Nations Astronomy

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 26

- 10:00-11:00 Registration – Meadows campground
- 11:00 Swap Table – Meadows campground
- Cypress Park Resort Inn – Wapiti Room**
- 12:30-13:00 Final registration
- 13:00 Astronomy presentations & discussions
- 15:00 Social Break
- 15:30 **Lucian Kemble Memorial Lecture**  
"Pluto vs the Ice Dwarves" – **Scott Young**
- 16:30 Astrophotography awards and door prize draw
- 16:45 Afternoon wrap-up and invitation back to SSSP 2007
- 17:00 Group photo
- 18:30 Evening Banquet

## Meadows Campground

- 20:00 Unveil Your 'Scopes Walk-around Social
- 21:00 Evening viewing
- 22:00 Observing workshop for beginners with Margo Miller
- 22:00 Public Starnight viewing – location TBA

## SUNDAY, AUGUST 27

- Free time for park activities
- 21:30 Stragglers Evening viewing – Meadows campground

For more information, please contact:

**Bill & Marianne Hydomako**

**SSSP 2006 Registrars**

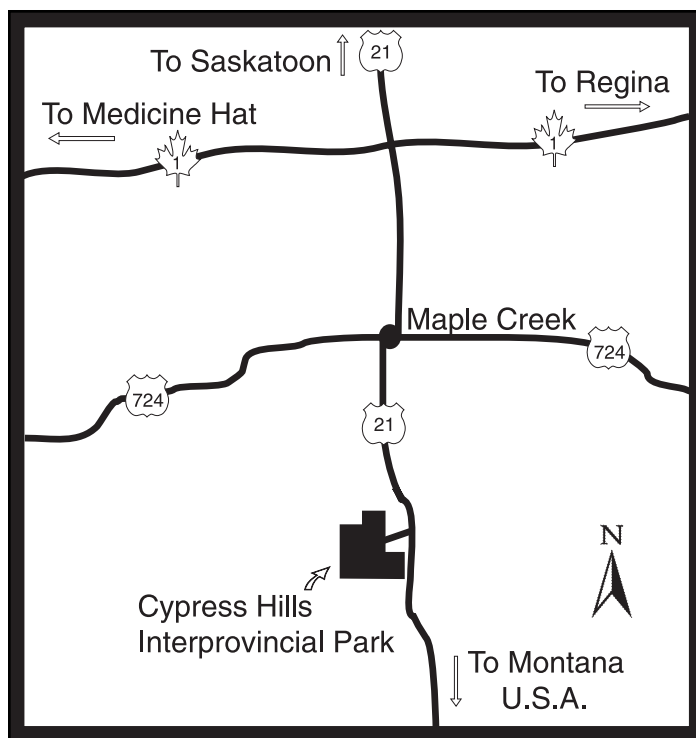
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Visit the Star Party's web site at:

<http://www.usask.ca/psychology/sarty/rasc/starparty.html>



## Cypress Hills General Information

**Park entrance fee: \$7 a day / \$17 for 3 days** Camping and campfires are extra. The open area Meadows Campground is reserved for us to observe and camp. **Hookup Fees in the Meadows: \$18.** Or reserve early for tent & trailer hookup sites in the nearby Terrace and Rainbow campgrounds. First come and reserve sites available. Camping reservations and info (306) 662-5484

**Cypress Park Resort Inn rates:** (306) 662-4477

email: [resort.office@cypressresortinn.com](mailto:resort.office@cypressresortinn.com)

**A block (for Thursday, Friday & Saturday) has been reserved for Star Party attendees. When reserving please indicate you are with the Star Party. No guarantee. Book early!** You can also check out: Spring Valley Guest Ranch (306) 295-4124, Sorensen's B&B (306) 662-3377

## SSSP 2006 General Information

Come join over 200 enthusiastic explorers of the skies from across Western Canada and North America for the August new moon. Experience the high altitude and dark skies that characterize Cypress Hills. Mingle with the experienced and novice amateur Astronomers and find first hand the camaraderie only SSSP can offer. The days are informative and the nights prime for observing.

This year marks the 10th anniversary of SSSP and also marks 75 years for Saskatchewan Parks. To celebrate the occasion we have a special presentation of First Nations Astronomy Thursday evening at the Ampitheatre. This event is open to the public and is sponsored in cooperation with Cypress Hills Interprovincial Park. It is preceded by a BBQ at the Ampitheatre. Pre-purchase of BBQ tickets is optional. The meal can be purchased "at the door".

## Digital SLR Astrophotography Workshop

Presented by Alan Dyer • 1-4 pm, Friday, August 25 • Wapiti Room

Alan Dyer will take you through all the steps, from selecting a camera to processing the final image. While there will be a limited discussion of web cams, fixed-lens point-and-shoot cameras and low-cost imagers, the emphasis will be on digital SLR cameras from prime-focus astrophotography. Attendees are encouraged to bring their own cameras for assistance in learning how to set them, and to bring their own raw and/or finished images on a laptop computer (or as prints) for evaluation. Refreshments will be provided. Attendance is limited and must be paid in advance.

# SSSP 2006 Registration

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

RASC Centre or Club Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

What observing equipment do you expect to bring (binoculars, telescopes, etc.)? This will be printed on the 'Scopes Walk-about Saturday night handout.

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Total # of persons attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list names of all attendees as you would like them shown on the name tags:

Adults: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Children (ages): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_)

\_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_)

\_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_)

Would you like to participate in the Friday night informal presentations (5 to 15 minutes)?

\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

Topic: \_\_\_\_\_

Equipment required: \_\_\_\_\_

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**For registration postmarked by August 1, 2006:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Single(s) @ \$20 = \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Couples @ \$30 = \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Family @ \$40 = \_\_\_\_\_

**Late registration** (after August 1 & at Star Party)

**Add \$10 per category** = \_\_\_\_\_

**Thursday BBQ Tickets:** \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$5 = \_\_\_\_\_

**Dinner Banquet Tickets:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Adult(s) 12 yrs + @ \$23 = \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Children 4-11yrs @ \$12 = \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Under 4 years old eat free

**Friday Workshop:** \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$30 = \_\_\_\_\_

**SSSP 2006 Pins:** \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$5 = \_\_\_\_\_

**SSSP 2006 Shirts** (mark sizes/quantity in grid):

Size	T-Shirt @ \$17	Golf shirt @ \$30	Short sleeve @ \$35	Bunnyhug @ \$40
Sm				
Med				
Lg				
XL				
XXL				
XXXL				
<b>Total</b>				

**Total Shirt Sales** = \_\_\_\_\_

Onsite availability of shirts and banquet dinner tickets not guaranteed if not requested and paid for in advance. The onsite prices for the shirts are: \$30 for T-shirts, \$45 for Golf shirts, \$50 for short sleeve shirts and \$55 for bunnyhugs.

**Total amount enclosed:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make cheque payable to:

**RASC Saskatoon Centre**

Mail completed registration form and cheque to:

**Bill & Marianne Hydomako**

**SSSP 2006 Registrars**

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