

Thank you for your interest in becoming a member of the Cowichan Valley StarFinders (CVSF) Astronomy Society. As a member you:

- Will be notified, by email, of our monthly newsletter postings,
- Can participate in our monthly socials and gorilla observing events,
- Are eligible to vote and/or run for any of the Director positions at our annual AGM,
- Will have access to the club telescopes and reference materials, and
- Meet, have fun and converse with like minded members.

To contact you we need the following information:

Annual Membership *(Please check the box that best applies to you)*

- \$ 10.00 Regular - 18 yrs +
- \$ 15.00 Family - 2 adults plus maximum of 3 children up to the age of 17 years

Membership Information *(Please print clearly)*

Name: _____

E-mail: _____

Home Phone: _____ - _____ - _____ Day Phone: _____ - _____ - _____

Additional Family Members - 2 adults plus maximum of 3 children up to the age of 17 years

Emergency Contact during Society activities (Please **PRINT** Clearly in **BLOCK** Letters):

Name: _____

Home Phone: _____ - _____ - _____ Day Phone: _____ - _____ - _____

Declaration *(Please read carefully and sign if you agree with our terms and conditions)*

1. I/We acknowledge that there are risks inherent in astronomical observing including injuries caused by falling, and that there are risks inherent in camping outdoors. I/We hereby agree to assume all of those risks and responsibilities.
2. I/We agree that the Cowichan Valley StarFinders Astronomy Society (CVSF), its officers, or any persons acting on their behalf shall not be held liable for any loss or injury I/We may sustain while participating CVSF events. I/We further agree that the CVSF or any of its members or officers shall not be held liable for any loss or damage to property that may occur while participating in CVSF Club/Society events.
3. I/We are not suffering from any physical complaint or ailment that may jeopardize My/Our safety or well-being while taking part in the society activities.
4. Freedom of Information Act: I/We hereby agree that the information given by Me/Us on this application form may be used by the CVSF for society information and activities only and that the information will not be used for any other purpose unless obtaining permission from Me/US to do so.

Signature _____ Date _____

CVSF Socials and Newsletter "Clear Skies"

Monthly Socials are held in Mill Bay, on the fourth Wednesday of each month and are announced in the Club's monthly newsletter and on our website (www.starfinders.ca).

Clear Skies is the monthly newsletter of the Society and is available on our website, in PDF format. As a member you will be notified, via email, when *Clear Skies* has been posted to the website.

CVSF Listserve (Please check the box if you wish to be added to this discussion group)

As a member of CVSF you are not automatically added to the Listserve.

Our Listserve allows members to discuss and coordinate events over the internet. Any message you send to the Listserve is distributed to every other member on the list. You don't have to actively participate by sending messages; you can just view the discussions. The primary use of the Listserve is to instigate impromptu observing sessions. If you would like to be added to the Listserve please indicate below:

Please add my email address to the CVSF Listserve.

Club Information (Your interest in Astronomy)

Please tell us something about yourself and your interest in astronomy. This will assist us in planning programs and activities which you will find the most beneficial.

1. How would you classify yourself as an amateur astronomer? Beginner ___ Intermediate ___ Advanced ___
2. Do you own a telescope? No ___ Yes ___ Type/Size _____
3. Are you looking for assistance in choosing a telescope? _____
4. If you do own a telescope, would you like assistance with using it? _____
5. Which aspects of the Astronomy Club and Astronomy are you most interested in: (Check as many as you wish)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Monthly Socials	<input type="checkbox"/>	Educational Programming/Telescope Loan Program
<input type="checkbox"/>	How To programs	<input type="checkbox"/>	Access to Club's Telescopes and Equipment
<input type="checkbox"/>	Impromptu Observing	<input type="checkbox"/>	Island Star Party <input type="checkbox"/> Lectures
<input type="checkbox"/>	Astrophotography/Imaging	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sidewalk Astronomy <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter
<input type="checkbox"/>	Computing/Software	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (specify)

6. Are you interested to volunteer your time to the club? If so please specify in what capacity.

7. Do you have any special skills/job/occupation that might benefit the club?

8. Any Questions or Comments?

Validating Your Membership

Look for the CVSF table at the Island Star Party (ISP)

1. Complete the Membership form
2. Pay by either cash or cheque
3. Receive your membership card

Or;

Go to our website: www.starfinders.ca

1. Print the Membership form
2. Complete the Membership form

Come to a monthly Social	Mail
a) Present your Membership Form and cheque (payable to: <i>Cowichan Valley StarFinders Astronomy Society</i>) or cash at any upcoming Social; or	b) Mail your cheque (payable to: <i>Cowichan Valley StarFinders Astronomy Society</i>) and Membership form to: Cowichan Valley StarFinders Astronomy Society C/O Ed Nicholas, Treasurer 663 Coleos Place Victoria, British Columbia Canada V8Z 6G8

Once we have received your cheque and membership form you will receive, via mail or in person, your membership card which will be valid until the next Island Star Party (ISP).