



The North Bay Astronomy Club Beginner's Observing List

To obtain your Beginner's certificate you must locate and observe 25 objects from the following list:

- Any three Phases of the Moon
- Any three Lunar Craters
- Any three Planets
- Any Open Cluster
- Any five Constellations
- Any five Messier Objects
- Any five Named Stars

All of the objects are visible with the naked eye or binoculars.

You should keep a log of your observations of each object. Your log entries should include the date, time and location (where the object was located in the sky) of your observation. Each log entry should also include a description of the equipment used (eg: binoculars, telescope, eyepiece, filter, etc) as well as a brief description of the object observed (even better, try sketching what you observe).

When completed present your observing log to any member of the executive board of the North Bay Astronomy Club for verification. Make sure your name and phone number are clearly shown on the front cover. After your log is validated by our verification officer you will be contacted to arrange delivery/presentation of your certificate.

Happy Hunting!