



Rappahannock Astronomy Club Membership Application

Thank you for your interest in the Rappahannock Astronomy Club. RAC is a nonprofit organization located in the Fredericksburg, Virginia, area. The club is dedicated to the advancement of public interest in, and knowledge of, the science of astronomy. Members share a common interest in astronomy and related fields as well as a love of observing the night sky.

Membership is open to anyone interested in astronomy, regardless of his or her level of knowledge. Owning a telescope is not a requirement. All that is needed is a desire to expand your knowledge of astronomy. RAC serves the Fredericksburg area (counties of Stafford, Spotsylvania, King George, and Orange, etc.).

RAC membership benefits:

- Opportunity to interact with and learn from people with similar interests
- Opportunity to observe under some of the darkest skies in the region
- Opportunity to look through many different types of telescopes, some quite large
- Use of club loaner telescopes and equipment on a monthly basis (ranging from 5 to 8 inches in diameter, solar telescope, and digital camera)
- Access to our webpage at <http://www.raclub.org> and our quarterly e-newsletter *StarGazer*
- Access to the club book, DVD, and magazine library
- Access to our Yahoo group for club communications and alerts concerning celestial phenomena
- Eligibility to use the club's Mark Slade Remote Observatory (see eligibility requirements at <http://www.raclub.org/msro/>)
- Eligibility for membership in the Astronomical League and subscription to *The Reflector*
- Eligibility for discount subscriptions to *Astronomy* and *Sky & Telescope* magazines

To join RAC, print this page and fill out, detach, and return the application form with a dues check. **Annual membership dues are \$20 per family. Students may join as individuals for \$7.50.** If you wish to join the Astronomical League, enclose an additional \$7.50.

Detach and Mail

If you would like to join Rappahannock Astronomy Club, please fill out the information below and send this application with club dues to the address listed. Please make the check out for the appropriate amount, payable to "RAC".

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City State Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

____ Family (\$20.00/year)

Or (choose one)

____ Student (\$7.50/year)

____ Astro League & *The Reflector* (\$7.50/year additional)

____ **Total Enclosed (one check for full amount)**

Mail application and dues to:
RAC c/o
Tim Plunkett, Treasurer
13090 Midway Rd.
King George, VA 22485