

My Astronomical software and Android Applications

Handy Software

- * Stellarium + Stellarium mount
- * Gimp image processor (freeware)
- * Deep sky stacker (freeware) (deep sky objects)
- * Registax 4,5,or 6 (freeware) (planets, moon, etc.)
- * Canon Digital Photo Professional (free with Canon cameras.
- * Canon EOS utility (remote control of camera). (free with Canon cameras).

- * Astro photography tool (APT) V:2.2 (Camera and scope control).
- * EQMOD/EASCOM (camera/mountcontrol software). (freeware)
- * Photodirector 3 (image processor) (free cover disk)
- * PHD (autoguiding software) (freeware)
- * EOS movie record (freeware)
- * PIPP (Planetary Imaging Pre-Processor)(freeware)
- * Astro planner (free cover disk on Sky at Night Mag)

Sky maps and planning programmes.

* Stellarium + Stellarium mount

- Excellent free planetarium programme.
- Can be configured to give ocular and camera frame views.
- Can control the mount directly.

* Astro planner

- Enables observing sessions to be planned and recorded.
- Enables most efficient use of time.
- Shows best times for observing and recording objects.

Camera control and Image capture software

* Canon EOS utility :

- (remote control of camera). (free with Canon cameras).

* Astro photography tool (APT) V:2.2

- Enables remote control of camera from laptop with multiple settings possible. Can save files direct to hard drive.

* EOS movie record :

- recording of video at 5x magnification on Canon live view cameras. Saves files in AVI format.

Mount control software

* EQMOD / EASCOM

- Free programme which enables hardware to talk to each other.
- Enables various programmes to control the mount, focuser, etc.

* Astro photography tool (APT) V:2.2

- Mount can be controlled via EQMOD. Also enables control of focuser / filter wheel as part of programmed exposures.

* Stellarium + Stellarium mount

- Enables Stellarium to control the mount via EQMOD

* Astro planner

- Can control the mount via EQMOD. Enables planning and recording of observing sessions.

* PHD (autoguiding software) (freeware)

- Enables long exposure photography.

Image processing programmes

* Deep Sky Stacker

- Used to stack light/dark and flat frames

* GIMP

- Free processing programme that has many of the features of photoshop.

* Photodirector 3

- Less complicated processing programme.

* Canon Digital Photo Professional

- Comes free with Canon cameras. Simple processing programme.

Video Processing software

* Planetary Image Pre-Processor (PIPP)

- Converts files from MOV to AVI
- Removes unwanted frames to reduce file size.
- Puts frames into quality order
- Has Moon / Planet (full and part) and ISS settings.

* Registax 4, 5 or 6

- Stacks AVI video files.
- Also has excellent wavelet sharpening feature.

Android Applications

- * Mobile Observatory
 - * Stellarium mobile
 - * Sky Portal (Celestron)
 - * Night sky tools
 - * NASA
 - * Satellite AR
 - * GPS Essentials
 - * Polar finder
 - * Level
 - * Compass
- Planetarium / astro information
- ISS times + other info
- Lat./long./date/time/moon rise and set/etc.
- Set up information
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Mobile Observatory 1



Mobile Observatory 2



Sky Portal



Stellarium



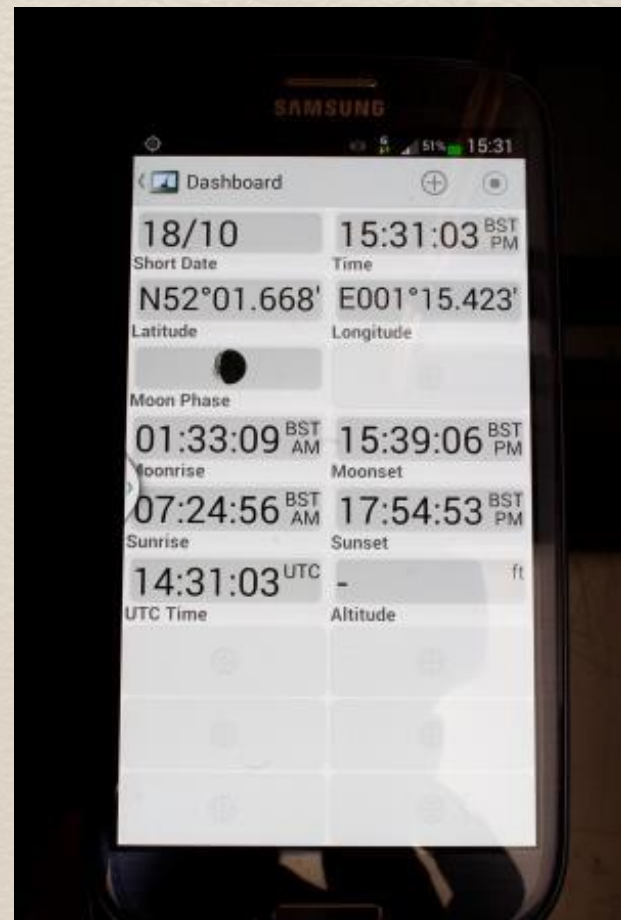
Night sky Tools



Polar Finder



GPS Essentials



BBC Weather



Met Office



NASA



Satellite AR



Compass



Level

