

# Introduction to OASI



## Orwell Astronomical Society (Ipswich)



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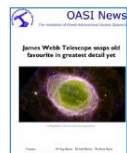
## Welcome



OASI is a society for people interested in astronomy. We are based at Orwell Park Observatory and Newbourne Village Hall, both situated near Ipswich, Suffolk. Members enjoy a wide range of interests in astronomy and include armchair astronomers, casual observers, and dedicated amateurs with specialist skills in visual and photographic observing, constructing telescopes, public education in astronomy and the history of astronomy.

Email for more information: [info@oasi.org.uk](mailto:info@oasi.org.uk)

## Newsletter



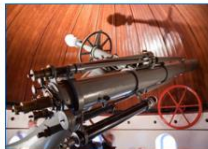
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## Night Sky Notes

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## Observatory Visits



[Visit Orwell Park Observatory](#), and see the historic Tomline Refractor.

## Membership

[Join OASI](#) or [renew membership](#).

## Astronomy Course

Introductory astronomy course open to members of OASI. 05 September - 28 November 2023. [Synopsis](#). Tutor: Dr Paul Whiting, FRAS. Email for more information or to book a place: [treasurer@oasi.org.uk](mailto:treasurer@oasi.org.uk).

## Events

Tue 03 Oct 2023, 19:00, Zoom, Fourth session of OASI [introductory astronomy course: The Big Bang](#).

Wed 04 Oct 2023, 20:15, [Orwell Park Observatory](#), General observing for members of OASI.

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Mon 09 Oct 2023, 19:30, [Newbourne Village Hall](#), [Newbourne meeting - beginners welcome!](#)

[Full events list, with contact details for further information.](#)

## Recent activities and observations



[1/10] CAM104 An aurora visible between clouds, captured by a meteor camera. 25 September 2023. Nigel Evans. [More.](#)



# Website

[www.oasi.org.uk](http://www.oasi.org.uk)

# Email Group



Keep up to date with society matters by joining the OASI email group.

NB: the group is open only to members of OASI.

To register, email [OASI+subscribe@groups.io](mailto:OASI+subscribe@groups.io)

# Newsletter

The society publishes a monthly Newsletter which may be downloaded from the website home page [www.oasi.org.uk](http://www.oasi.org.uk)

Contact: Paul Whiting, FRAS [news@oasi.org.uk](mailto:news@oasi.org.uk)



# Society Clothing

The society keeps a stock of sweatshirts and beanie hats for sale to members. The garments are adorned with the OASI logo.

Contact: any committee member.



# Meetings oasi@Orwell Park



Weekly meetings at Orwell Park Observatory, open to members only, on Wednesday evenings from 20:15 to late.

## Facilities:

- The Tomline Refractor - 250mm aperture, equatorially mounted.
- Other assorted telescopes and binoculars.
- Library of astronomical books and magazines.

## Access arrangements:

- Access code for gate to car park is on membership card.
- Observatory phone no. 07960 083714 (when observatory open).

Contact: Martin Cook [membership@oasi.org.uk](mailto:membership@oasi.org.uk)

Roy Gooding [secretary@oasi.org.uk](mailto:secretary@oasi.org.uk)

# Meetings oasi@Newbourne



Fortnightly meetings at Newbourne Village Hall, on Monday evenings from 19:00 to late.

## Facilities:

- Easy access (no spiral stairs).
- Bring your own telescope to our dark sky site.
- Talks and discussions if the weather is bad.
- Refreshments available.

Contact: Paul Whiting, FRAS [newbourne@oasi.org.uk](mailto:newbourne@oasi.org.uk)



# Committee Meetings



Held approximately every 8 weeks, and as necessary.

Venue:

- Methodist Church Hall, Black Horse Lane, Ipswich, IP1 2EF, or
- Horley Spiritualist Church, 345 London Road, Ipswich, IP2 0BG.

All members are welcome to attend.

Contact: Roy Gooding [secretary@oasi.org.uk](mailto:secretary@oasi.org.uk)

# Workshops



Held during OASI@Newbourne meetings, usually monthly during spring and autumn.

All kinds of astronomical subjects are covered.

Led by society members for members.

All members are encouraged to consider leading a workshop about any aspect of astronomy that interests them.

Contact: Mike Whybray [workshops@oasi.org.uk](mailto:workshops@oasi.org.uk)

# OASI Lectures



Held in St Augustine's Church Hall, Bixley Road, Ipswich, IP3 8TH.

Given by leading astronomical professionals and amateurs.

Contact: Pete Richards [lectures@oasi.org.uk](mailto:lectures@oasi.org.uk)

# Public Outreach Events



Held throughout the year to raise awareness of astronomy with members of the public.

Solar observing (daytime) and stars/planets/the Moon (night-time).

All members are encouraged to support the events.

Contacts: Roy Gooding [secretary@oasi.org.uk](mailto:secretary@oasi.org.uk)  
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# OASI Events Listing



See the OASI web site:

<http://www.oasi.org.uk/Events/Events.php>

# Trips Out



Local dark sky sites.

Astronomical exhibitions and conventions.

Places of astronomical interest.

Northern lights (contact Paul Whiting [treasurer@oasi.org.uk](mailto:treasurer@oasi.org.uk))

Star parties.

Events hosted by other societies.

# Social events



Summer barbecue

Venue: Newbourne village hall

Contact: Pete Richards [lectures@oasi.org.uk](mailto:lectures@oasi.org.uk)

Christmas meal

Venue: local pub/restaurant

Contact: Roy Gooding [secretary@oasi.org.uk](mailto:secretary@oasi.org.uk)