

Tuesday May 3, 2016

Went to LTO to use the 24". Clear and calm at sunset.

Seeing and Transparency good.

K 1-22 9:23 PM 13mm – With O3 see a small, round, very faint glow with tiny, brighter central star. Without O3, see a pale white colored star.

Tried to find 2 Abell Planetary nebulae. Didn't see them for they were low in the south.

NGC 2691 9:39 PM 13mm – A small, thin oval. Very dim. Has a hare brighter, tiny core.

UGC 4906 9:49 PM 13mm – A small, thin, 3:1, uniformly lit, very dim halo glow. Has bit brighter, small core.

HE 1029-1401 10:08 PM 17mm – A very dim 'star'.

Seeing OK, Transparency Good.

MRK 421 10:15 PM 13mm – Below and to right of a bright field star is a very dim 'star'.

NGC 3786 10:25 PM 13mm - 2 galaxies. Left one is N3786, a small, thin, uniformly lit, 2:1 oval glow. Right one is N3788, a very small, uniformly lit, thin oval glow.

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NGC 3858 10:35 PM 13mm – A small, extremely faint, uniformly lit smudge of light.

NGC 4253 10:46 PM 13mm – A very small, very faint round glow with tiny, brighter core.

NGC 4355 10:52 PM 13mm – A very small, very faint fat oval. Uniformly lit.

NGC 4378 10:56 PM 13mm – A small, dim tilted oval, 2:1 with larger, brighter core.

3C 273 11:05 PM 13mm – A dim 'star' that is part of a triangle which helps identify its location.