

General Field Policy

Welcome to IceInSpace AstroCamp 2008! We hope you enjoy the opportunity to meet, socialise and observe with amateur astronomers of varying experience levels under the dark skies of Lostock.

This flyer lists some General Field Ettiquette guidelines, which we ask everybody's cooperation in following. Many people will come to Lostock for the rare experience of observing at a dark sky site, and wish to gain the most from it. These guidelines will ensure that everybody can gain maximum enjoyment from their observing time at IISAC2008.

- People have come to the AstroCamp for varying reasons, some want to check
 out as much equipment as possible, whilst others wish to make the most of the
 dark sky experience with as much quality observing time as possible. If
 somebody is engrossed in their observing, don't disturb them unnecessarily.
- Never touch anybody's equipment without invitation from the owner.
- If someone is kind enough to loan equipment to you, do not on-loan to a 3rd party without the owners' knowledge and consent.
- Parents with children please keep them under supervision and control when near telescopes and equipment. Instruct children they can look when invited, but never to touch.
- Ladies, please don't wear makeup (especially mascara) if you wish to view through other peoples telescopes. Such makeup can leave greasy smudge marks on eyepiece optics and be difficult to clean off.
- Be aware of ladders, stools, tables, tripod legs and other equipment near someone's observing area. Tripping on these could damage expensive telescope equipment, and you could also injure yourself.