

Resources compilation

Observing

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We hope you find it useful, and we welcome comments to info@corkastronomyclub.com

Stargazers Lounge. <https://stargazerslounge.com/> A forum site that discusses all astronomy observing-related issues including equipment reviews etc. There's also an American version: <https://www.cloudynights.com/>

Stars. <http://stars.astro.illinois.edu/sow/sowlist.html> Created by Prof Jim Kaler, University of Illinois. An acknowledged expert on everything relating to individual stars. His expertise informs much information on the SkySafari app.

Pete's Starguide, a short monthly video. Look for it amongst these BBC *Sky At Night* clips: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b006mk7h/clips>

Heavens Above. www.heavens-above.com/ A favourite with many amateur astronomers. Up-to-date information on events on the heavens, including the ISS passes.

spaceweather.com for latest happenings on the Sun, sunspots, flares etc. You can sign up for alerts and get an instant text message when geomagnetic storms begin.

Celestial events page from **Irish Federation of Astronomical Societies**—many links including the current month's observing guide. http://bit.ly/IFAS_CelestialEvents

Irish Astronomical Association **Sky Guide** <http://irishastro.org/skyguide>

Binocular Sky Newsletter (monthly) <http://binocularsky.com/newsletter/BinoSkyNL.pdf>

Armagh Planetarium monthly sky notes
<http://www.armaghplanet.com/blog/category/monthly-sky-notes>

Sky and Telescope <https://www.skyandtelescope.com/> Always worth a look, even though generally aimed at latitudes a few degrees lower than Cork. Beginner guides on astronomy topics. "This week's sky at a glance" is a good feature.

Astronomy Now is a monthly magazine available to purchase, but they also have a useful website with astronomy news. Excellent printable UK star chart. www.astronomynow.com/

American Association of Variable Star Observers. <https://www.aavso.org/> Everything related to variable stars, carbon stars, red giants and more.

DSO Browser. <https://dso-browser.com/> You can input your location (multiple locations if you like) and the elevation below which buildings or trees obscure your view. The site then works out what you can see, taking account of your target preferences.