Galilean Nights Event ID: gn552

Number of telescopes: 9 Number of organisers: 12 Number of attendees: 30+130

## **Event Report:**

On Oct. 23, we set up 9 telescopes and waited for 3 hours for the clouds to break, but after all we could see nothing. About thirty citizens were with us. Mr. Kodama showed them his Video recording of July 22 Total Solar Eclipse Voyage on a laptop computer, and presented them with photos of the eclipse (corona and diamond ring). Mr. Tanimoto showed them his pictures of comets and meteor showers on PC screen. Mr. Takahashi explained the scale of the universe with his hand-made pamphlet.

On Oct 24, we set up 9 telescopes again. Through clouds we could sometimes have a look at the moon craters and Jupiter and its Galilean satellites. More than one hundred citizens enjoyed the view. Most of them exclaimed how beautiful they are. We handed out a printed material of the Galilean satellites' position of the night, star map of the night, moon map, and data of the planets. Mr. Takahashi brought his collection of meteorites and explained about them.

On both days, half of the attendees were children. One of them brought his own small telescope and asked us how to use it. He was overjoyed when he saw moon craters through his telescope.

Many of them asked us when we are going to hold the next star event.