

**Galilean Nights Event ID:** gn653

**Number of telescopes:** Jacobus Kapteyn Telescope's finder

**Number of organisers:** 2

**Number of attendees:** 20

**Event photos:** <http://www.flickr.com/photos/44683866@N07/?saved=1>

**Event Report:**

We decided to spend the night of the 23rd of October with a group of active night amateur astronomers based on the island of La Palma. So we invited them to come to the Roque de los Muchachos Observatory, visit Gran Telescopio Canarias, and use the facilities of the 1m Jacobus Kapteyn Telescope. More particularly, we thought it was a good idea to offer the possibility of naked-eye observations using the finder of such a telescope, a 20cm refractor of 3 meters of focal length. We used an eye-piece to cover the view of the entire Moon, and using a copy of the Sidereus Nuncius, we went through the pages and try to watch with our own eyes what Galileo watched 400 years before. After observing the Moon, we continued with Jupiter, some globular and open clusters, Andromeda Galaxy, etc. A great Galilean observing night! We also set up an amateur telescope outside the dome and we could compare both views. We went to bed at 00:00.