

Galilean Nights Event ID: gn1,170

Number of telescopes: 6 telescopes

Number of organisers: 15

Number of attendees: 500

Event photos: <http://www.flickr.com/photos/44719215@N02/4119461109/>

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/44719215@N02/4119461073/>

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Event Report:

We held an event in front of the station, where people who usually do not attend astronomy events can watch stars through the telescope.

Because it was the first evening of Galilean Nights, we produced and distributed leaflets introducing GN events in Kanto area which were taking place the next day and the day after. We also distributed leaflets of astronomy facilities and science events, which were collected using mailing lists of Japan Planetarium Association and Japan Public Observatory Society.

It was cloudy, occasionally fine. We pointed telescopes to Jupiter which sometimes appeared between clouds, and we watched its belts and satellites.

Because the place was also a tourist spot in Tokyo, not only people from suburban area but also attendees from distant area in Japan and those from overseas joined our event, which made this event worthy of IYA events. (We heard the word "Jupiter" in four languages -- Japanese, English, Chinese, Arabic.)