

Eastern Iowa Star Party 2025

The Quad Cities Astronomical Society and the Popular Astronomy Club invite you to attend the 40th Eastern Iowa Star Party (EISP).

The event is scheduled for August 22 through the 24 and will be held at the Wapsi River Education Center located about 5 miles north of Dixon Iowa.

St. Ambrose University and the QCAS operate four observatories housing 5 telescopes as well as a classroom with modern rest rooms, heat and AC. Attendees will be able to park and sleep next to their equipment on the observing grounds surrounding the observatories. There are a limited number of concrete pads with power outlets available and outlets on some of the buildings. Bring a battery or power cord for your astro equipment. There are no showers, water hook ups nor electrical for RVs.

Water, coffee and hot chocolate, will be available part of the night for a donation. Food can be ordered from the American Legion in Dixon, Iowa. Please, no pets in the buildings or on the observing fields at night.

There is no star party fee nor formal registration but if you plan to attend please send an email to John Baker: johnbsys@aol.com.

WREEC coordinates: N41° 46', W90° 47'



WREEC can be reached from Interstate 80. Proceed on Interstate 80 to the Walcott, IA exit. At this exit, proceed north on county road Y40 for eight miles to Dixon, IA. County Road Y40 comes to a Tee intersection in Dixon with County Road Y4E. When you reach this intersection, proceed left (west) and go approximately one and a half miles until you come to a sign directing you to WREEC.