

## Frequently Asked Questions Border Stargaze

### **Q. What is the registration rate for single, family, adult & children?**

**A.** One fee, \$30 per adult from 14 years of age. Children 13 and under are free.

### **Q. What does the registration fee cover?**

**A.** The \$30 fee entitles registered guests to access all Border Stargaze activities and attractions on offer at the event which includes:

- Entry to the lucky door prize
- Entry to all guest speaker and workshop activities
- Unlimited access to the Cosmodome (sessions are arranged with David Chandler and Miles Allen the operator)
- Access to all sky tours Laser & Telescope (3RF will be running telescope tours for the entire event) the only break in this would be between 6-10:30pm Friday night as we host the General Public (GP)
- Access to the site for viewing (with the exception of the GP activity)
- Access to the vendors market
- Free hot breakfast Sunday morning

The guest speakers are professional and deliver quality presentations. A significant portion of the registration fee goes towards the fees associated with bringing these speakers to Border Stargaze.

**Note:** Does not include activities organised by Aspen Parks.

### **Q. Can I get meals at the event?**

**A.** Primarily the retreat is self cater, however the Lake View Café sells light meals & refreshments. We have organised a professional caterer for the event who will be present on site. The caterer will be selling pay on the night meals on Friday night (BBQ) and Saturday 'Choice of Roast' evening meal. Please support our caterer.

### **Q. Do we have access to tea & coffee making facilities?**

**A.** Yes, ASAW have arranged a bottomless tea, coffee and Milo table setup in the Conference facility (free to registered guests and volunteers) – Alternatively the River View Café sells boutique coffees and light refreshments and the caterer will be selling drinks.

### **Q. Are there any off limits areas?**

**A.** Not for registered guests, volunteers and ASAW members. However, the General Public will not be permitted in the accommodation area and conference facility.

### **Q. Also, is there going to be police presence / security guards?**

**A.** No, however we have invited the NSW police and they may take the opportunity to visit during the event.

### **Q. What is the Alcohol policy on site?**

**A.** Our policy is in the Guest Information Pack which is available on our website.

Guests, Volunteers and members of ASAW BYO (please do not drive if you are over the limit).

General Public, strictly no alcohol. We have the right to refuse entry and will call on the Wymah staff to assist in organising the removal of anyone not complying with our request to leave.

### **Q. Is the general public allowed to attend the Friday evening with eskys full of booze?**

**A.** No, they will be asked to leave.

**Q. I am a volunteer what should I bring on the Friday night?**

**A.** You will need a red light/white torch, warm clothes and if you have a High Vis vest can you please bring it with you.

**Q. What do we do in an emergency (general)?**

**A.** The Wymah Valley Holiday Park staff are qualified first aiders. We will use the emergency procedures that are already in place at the event e.g. evacuation and emergency control. All details are available in our Guest Information Pack which is available on our website.

**Q. What do we do in an emergency (General Public Viewing 6-10:30pm)?**

**A.** 'As above' in addition each of our team leaders will have a UHF radio (chXXX) on their persons. This will allow them to contact reception immediately. The radios are supplied by members of ASAW and will be returned after the general public night.

**Q. Are there tasks required before the general briefing on the general public night?**

**A.** Yes there will be some minor tasks and you are welcome to pitch in otherwise you will need to be present for the briefing.

**Q. I am a volunteer for Friday night (6-10:30pm) will I get time to do things or is my task all night?**

**A.** Between 6–10:30pm you will be heavily involved in the running of the event, your allocated task is important. During this period it would be difficult to attend any of the activities and the Cosmodome is exclusive to the general public providing they have pre-booked.

Please be mindful that the Cosmodome Operator will have been running sessions from 10am through to 10:30pm.

If however you need a short break please discuss with your team leader before heading off.

**Q. I am an ASAW member can I bring my telescope or do some casual observing without having to register?**

**A.** Yes you can during the event Thurs – Saturday. You will not have access however to the guest speakers, workshops, cosmodome, free breakfast, door prizes or other features covered by the registration fee.

If you are a volunteer for the Friday night we request that you do not plan to do any casual observing between 6-10:30pm.

**Q. What time do I need to be there Sunday for clean up?**

**A.** Clean up is between 8:30am – 11:00pm

For additional information please visit [www.asaw.org.au](http://www.asaw.org.au) and check out the 'Guest Information Pack'.

**Q. I am an ASAW member and I don't want to register for the full event, however I would still like to observe with my telescope on site (weather permitting) during the event?**

**A.** We would recommend that you observe Wednesday night, Thursday night, after 10:30pm Friday night or Saturday night, making sure that you adhere to all light policies and park your car well away from the observing field - so that when you leave your car lights are not visible.

**Please keep in mind that your registration fee for the event helps to bring the event to our region and actively supports ASAW in promoting science education to the wider community.**

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