

Messier Marathon Info

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Messier Marathon Season is only a few weeks away and now is the time to get some practice on those early evening objects before they get too low in the twilight. I have produced sets of finder charts (telescopic and binocular). These are available for download from:

<http://astunit.com/tonkinsastro/messier/messchart.htm>

I have also produced sets of marathon Log Sheets in a proposed order of attempting the objects. This is available in several formats: HTML, PDF, Excel, Lotus123, CSV , and may be downloaded from:

<http://astunit.com/tonkinsastro/messier/messlog.htm>

These have been useful in previous years and I hope they will continue to be so. If anyone wants the flavor of what it is like to complete the marathon, my experiences of the successful 1998 attempt are at:

<http://astunit.com/tonkinsastro/messier/messier-marathon.htm>

Best,
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