

HUACHUCA ASTRONOMY CLUB MEMBER QUESTIONNAIRE

(This information is to be used only to improve our events and services to members)

(Use Blank Side of Questionnaire for expanded answers or additional comments)

NAME _____ DATE _____

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

CITY OF RESIDENCE _____ WEB SITE _____

Email options: May we include email address on our member web page? ___; Add you to HAC-List ___;

MEMBER STATUS (Check one): New (0-1 Yr.) ___; Existing ___; (No. of years) _____;

Your RECOMMENDATIONS to improve star parties and club meetings, including programs and speakers, and ACTIONS you would like to see the Club take to meet your needs as a member:

What do you feel your level of experience is in:

a) Knowledge of fundamental astronomy (1 to 5, 1 being beginner) _____

b) Observing techniques and familiarization with the sky (1 to 5, 1 being beginner) _____

Category (Check): Armchair Astronomer ___; Casual Observer ___; Frequent Observer ___; Fanatic ___;

Do you currently own 1 or more telescopes? _____; Briefly describe them below, including type (refractor, reflector, Schmidt-Cass, etc), aperture size, F-Ratio (f/10, f/5, etc) and type of mount (alt-az, equatorial, German-equatorial, simple tripod, etc.). If you **only** own **handheld** binoculars, check here:

Do you plan on building ___ or buying ___ a first ___ (or additional ___) telescope in the next year?

What additional equipment do you use with or without the telescope (examples: CCD, Video or Digital Camera, Film Camera [astrophotography], Digital Setting Circles (DSC), Equatorial Platform, Robotics, Spectrometer, Adaptive Optics, Filter Wheels, Solar Filters, Eye Piece Filters (UHC, OIII, H-Beta, Deep Sky, etc), Photometer, Automatic focusers, Collimating Devices, etc.)

List star atlases or planetarium programs you use (include printed atlases), and equipment control software (such as MaximDL, ACP): _____;

What are your observing and astronomy interests? Indicate by marking 0 to 5 to indicate level of interest for each of the following (5 being highest): Visual _____; Imaging/Film _____; Radio _____

Shallow Sky: Planets ___; Asteroids ___; Near Earth Objects ___; Comets ___; Solar ___; Lunar ___; Eclipses ___; Occultations ___; Meteors ___; Natural Satellites ___; Artificial Satellites ___;

Deep Sky: Galaxies ___; Open Clusters ___; Globular Clusters ___; Nebulae ___; Planetary Nebulae ___; Supernovae (SN) ___; SN Remnants ___; Novae ___; Variable Stars ___; Double Stars ___; GRB's ___; Extra Solar Planets ___; Quasars ___; Blazars ___; Other Deep Sky _____;

Other Interests: Pretty Pictures ___; Astrometry (Meas. position) ___; Photometry (Meas. light) _____;

Astro Software ___; ATM (Amateur Telescope Making) ___; Cosmology ___; Other _____;

Do you feel you have expertise in any of the above areas (Indicate which) _____;

Observing Site (Check): Backyard ___; Travel to ___; Permanent Outdoor Setup ___; Observatory _____;

If observing from a regular location, rate the following average conditions as best you can (1=worst, 6=best): Seeing (air steadiness) _____; Transparency (sky contrast) _____; Light Pollution _____;

Naked Eye Limiting Magnitude _____; For CCD'ers, average FWHM _____;

Please list astronomy related organizations you belong to (AAVSO, IDA, IAU Bulletins, IOTA, etc):

As available, can you participate in HAC's Public Outreach Events, such as school events or other public star parties? (Not necessary to own a telescope nor be an 'expert' –newcomers welcome!) Yes ___; No ___;

Web Site: www.hacastronomy.com; HAC-List: haclist-subscribe@yahoogroups.com (news & alerts)

THANK YOU! Mail this form to HAC, P.O. Box 922, Sierra Vista, AZ 85636 or return to a Club Officer.