**Curious about the starry night sky?**

You have always wanted to know something more about the night sky?

You want to know which stars there are to see evening in the sky.

Your youth club wants to learn something about astronomy?

Your club, party or BBQ, outside under the evening sky, could use something extra ?

Why not learn something more about the stars?

You can invite me for a first introduction to the night sky.

Or when the Moon is blocking the light of the stars, a first encounter with the Moon.

At the moment this is an offer for people living near Zwolle city.

I use a bicycle or a moped to transport my telescopes.

My basic story takes about 20 minutes.

After which I can any answer questions, or you can ask questions during my talk.

So usually a total of an hour. Longer is possible too.. There is enough to tell about the sky.

The idea is to show you how you can find the North using the Big Dipper,

and with that as a start, to show you what else you can see at the firmament.

With the naked eye, or using a simple pair of binoculars.

For example, the Pleiades, and the most famous constellations.

I'll adapt the level of my talk to that of the public.

I will bring a small telescope along if the subjects is to be the Moon

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**Location, location** ...

what I need is clear skies, and a dark place to watch them.

So no bright outdoor lamps, and street lights, a lawn in a park will do, or a dark back yard.

The more lights, the less stars..

When looking at the Moon light pollution is less a problem.

**Bad weather- daylight backup plan:**

At times of cloud cover, or rain, or during the day, I can if you use a memory stick with a projector, and show slides,

I however **cannot** take a projector or “Beamer” along.. I can take memory sticks with pictures with me.

So if you have invited me, and there are no stars to be seen, this could be an alternative.

**What I do bring along:**

Some binoculars.

A laser pointer.

Some brochures.

A table.

A barstool

My stories.

IF the Moon is up in the sky, I can take a small telescope with me.

**What you should bring along**:

A simple pair of binoculars, 7 X 40, or 7 X 50, if possible with tripod, for your own use.

Something to sit on.

Don’t forget a warm coat, it can be chilly at night. And muddy…( shoes)…

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Clear skies!

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P.S.

To be clear, it is about astronomy, and not about *astrology*, horoscopes etc. I have no knowledge of the second subject and can tell absolutely nothing about it.

Cost: Donations are welcome. But basically the Moon rises for free, and so do the stars .