

North Halton Astronomy Club has its eye on Jupiter's Red Spot

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The North Halton Astronomy Club held its fall viewing session on Saturday, Oct. 16 under clear skies. The event was attended by approximately 25 guests from Acton, Georgetown, Milton, and one from Grey-Bruce County.

The event featured a comet demonstration to help visitors gain insight on how a comet is formed

and what people can expect when viewing one with a telescope or binoculars.

There were several highlights during the course of the evening including a great view of Jupiter and its moons along with a transit of the Red Spot on Jupiter. The transit was viewed through the



scopes of Bruce Luoma and Tarun Tuli.

The most exciting moment was shared by Nathalie Amyotte who had her first night of viewing along with friends and family with her new telescope. The "first light" moment with the telescope captured craters on the moon along

with visible mountain ranges.

"This is why we have events like this to capture those great moments when we share equipment and take the time to view incredible celestial sights," said David Quinn, Club member.

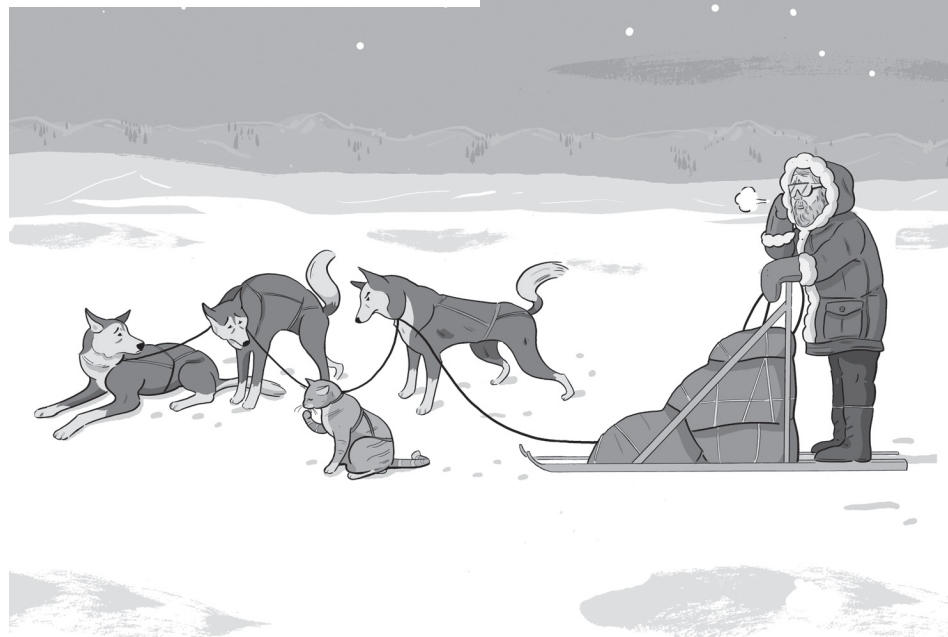
The event was attended by several children who received collector Space Shuttle stickers and

posters courtesy of the Canadian Space Agency.

Georgetown resident Len Fisher brought his two-year-old son Carson to the event and was not disappointed. "It's great when you can go to a free event, see some amazing sights, and share the experience with all different age groups," he said.

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