



The Open University Astronomy Club



“Barrie Jones” OUTREACH

Visits to the George Abell Observatory, telescopes and meteorite

Please complete the form below and email it to: sheridan@ouastro.co.uk

Name of group:	
Name of organiser:	
Email address:	
Mobile number:	
Age range of the group:	
Number of children:	
Number of adults:	
List of possible dates for the visit:	
Arrival time: <i>Please be aware of sunset time when suggesting arrival time</i>	

Please note that we are unable to organise visits on the 1st Tuesday of the month. Friday Saturday and Sunday depend on the availability of volunteers and are more difficult to organise but not impossible.

Tours are suitable for those aged 9 years and older. Experience has shown us that those under 9 years old are unable to benefit fully from the visit.

This policy has been discussed with the Open University to fit with their Risk Assessment. Which says “The observatory is a dangerous place with steep stairs and expensive and potentially hazardous equipment which is not suitable for use by young children”.

*We can host a maximum of 27 people for a 90 minute visit or 36 people for a 2 hour visit. This number **includes** adults. For safety reasons we are unable to accommodate more than 9 people in the observatory dome at any one time hence the maximum numbers and groups will be subdivided to facilitate that. We will also need one first-aid adult per group please.*

I’m afraid that we cannot extend the visit for longer than these times as guides will be booked for the slot.

Finally, we cannot guarantee that the sky will be clear (or even dark). Nevertheless, all will be able to see the observatory telescope in action.

Bookings will be confirmed by email. Please note that guides are volunteers and booked according to the form. Changes to numbers or times must be made at least 2 weeks prior to your visit.

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