

Report From A

BEACH BUM ASTRONOMER

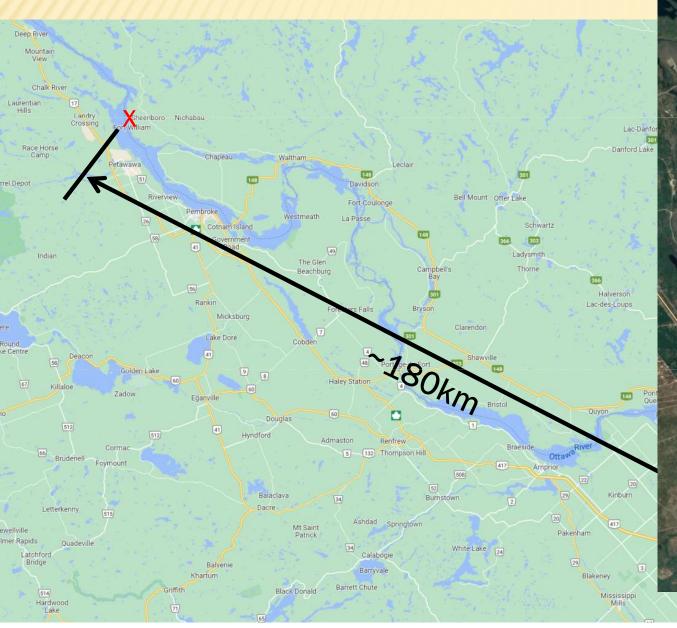
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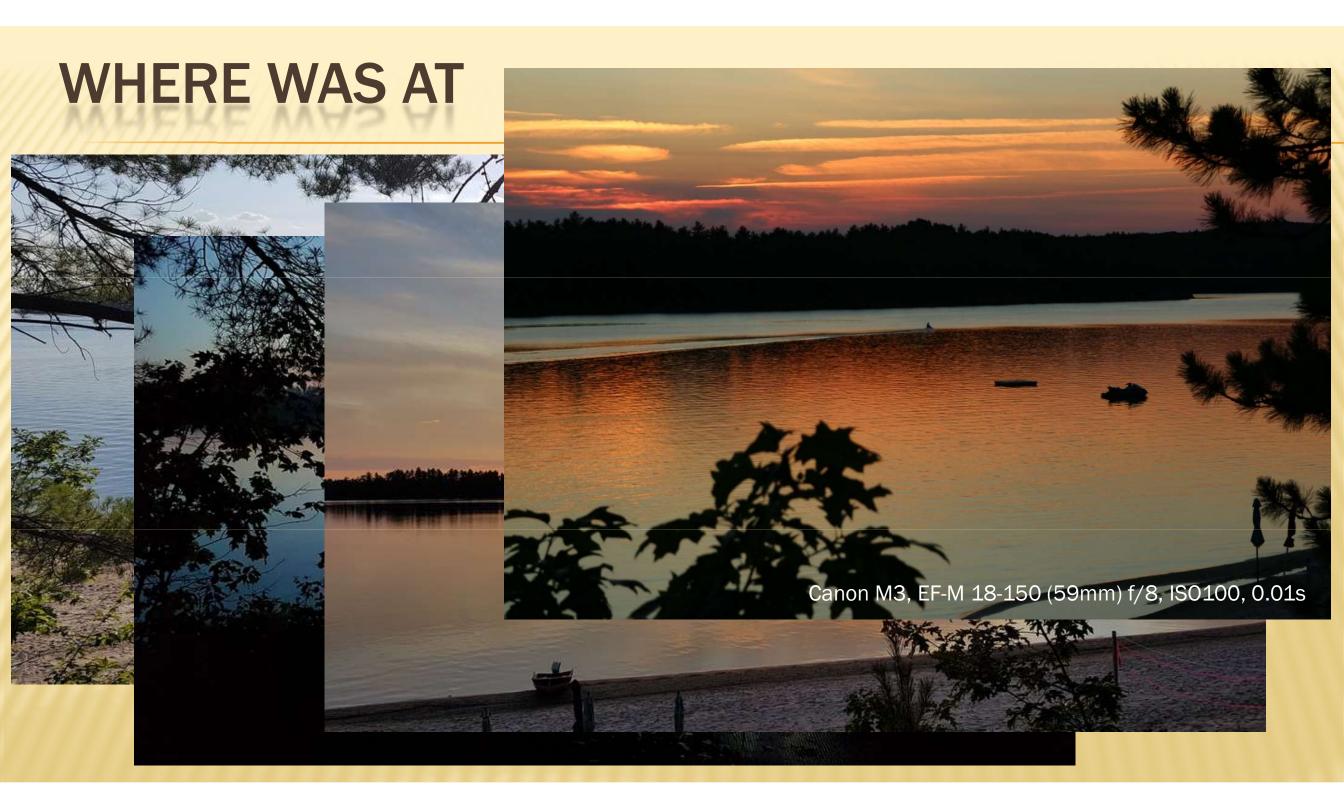
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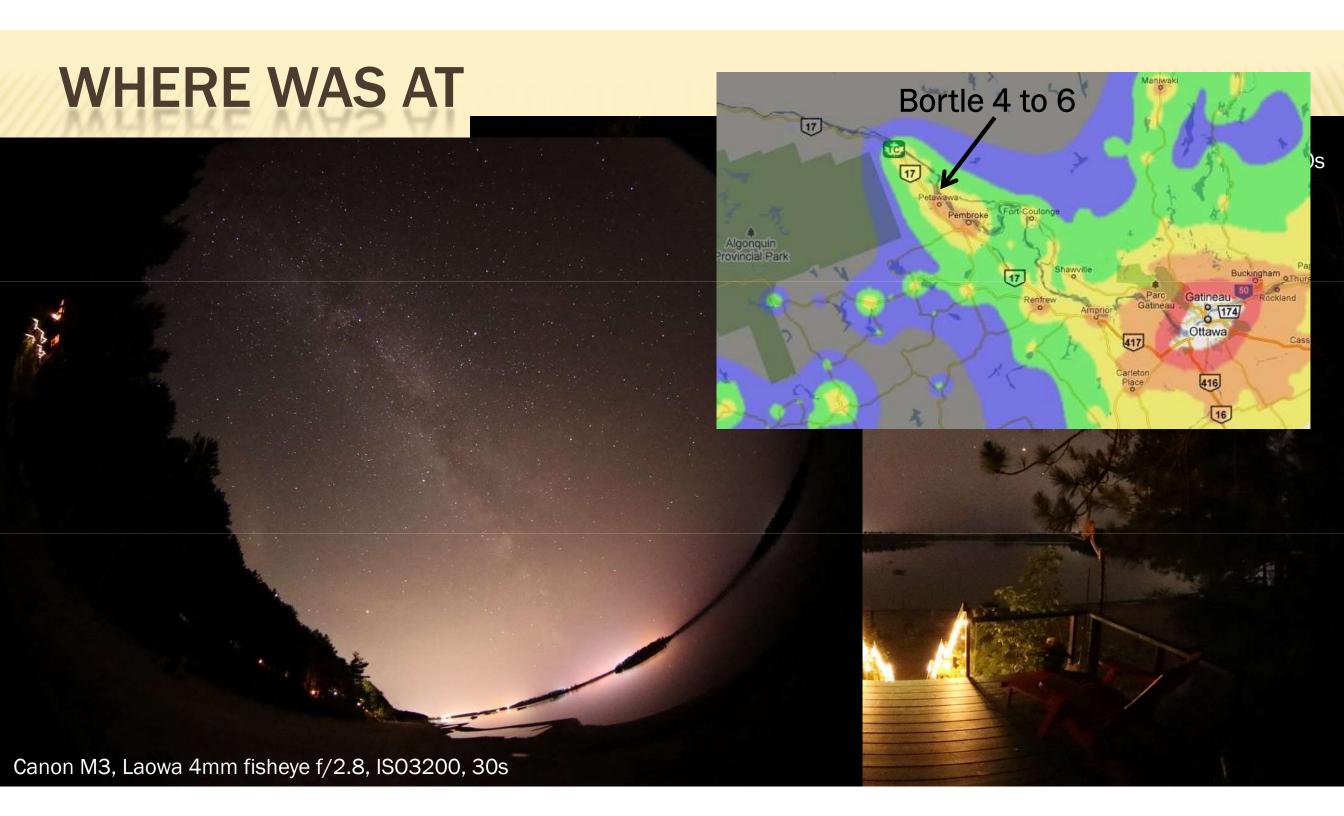
- Where was at
- What's my rig
- Observations:
 - + Views plenty wide
 - + Feelin' a little gassy
 - + Surviving bug-pocolypse
 - + Behold the lowest of the low
 - + Falling in love ... or a strong "like"
 - Had socks blown off

WHERE WAS AT





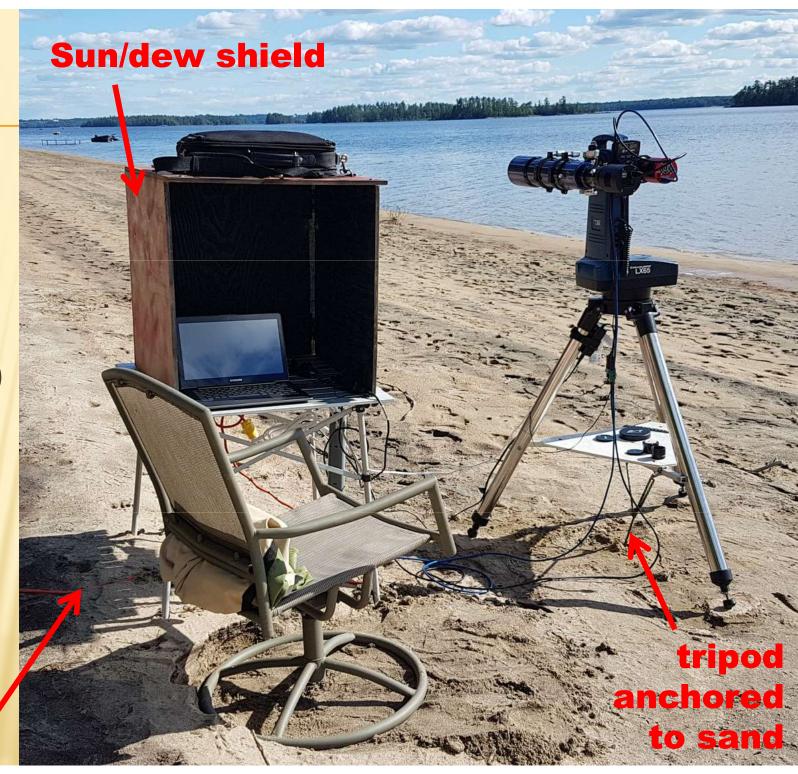




WHAT'S MY RIG

EAA setup:

- + Meade LX65 mount
- + W0 ZS80 (80mm)
- + Askar FMA230 (50mm)
- + TPO UltraWide (40mm)
- + DS432M TEC
- + ASI533MC Pro
- + assort. Filters
- + laptop



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WHAT'S MY RIG

Point'n'shoot setup:

- + Canon M3 mirrorless
- + Canon EF-M 18-150 zoom
- + Laowa CF 4mm f/2.8210deg fisheye
- + Manfroto tripod



WHAT'S MY RIG

- Portability is key!
 - + Water levelscan changequickly &dramatically!



OBSERVATIONS

VIEWS PLENTY WIDE



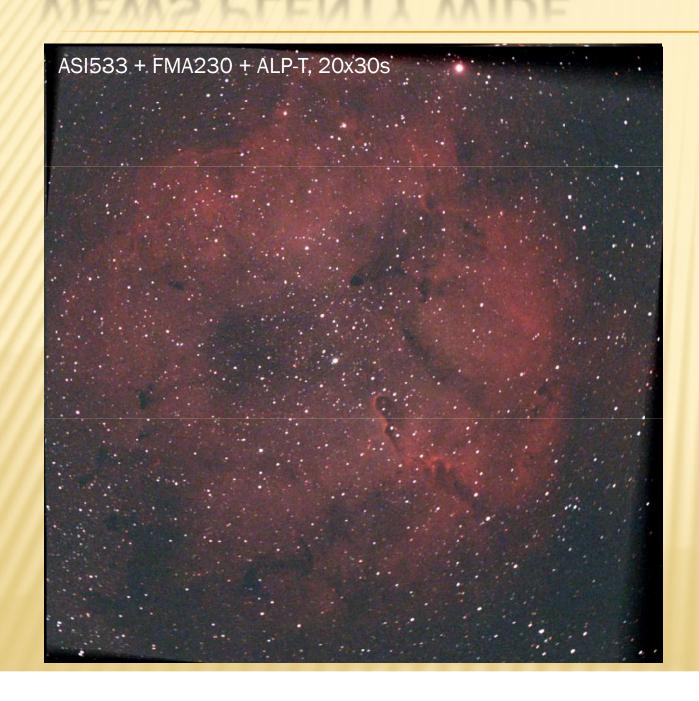
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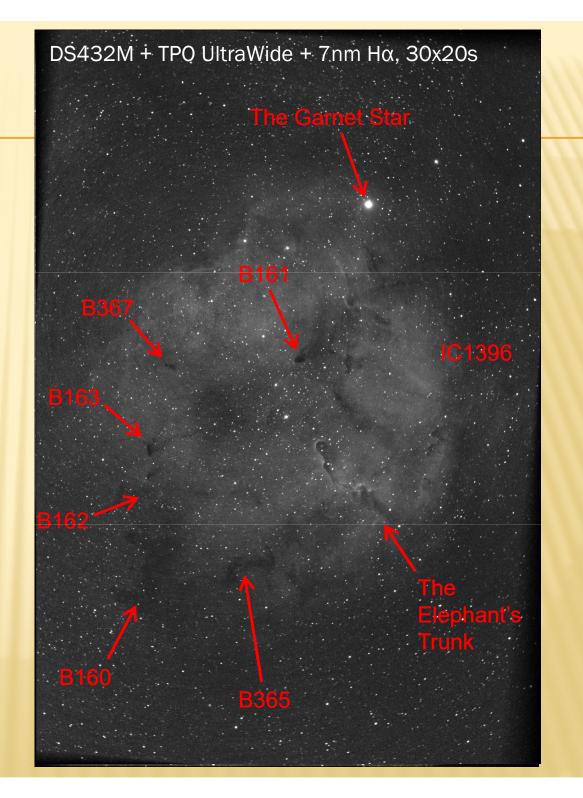


Summer + Milky = Way



VIEWS PLENTY WIDE





FEELING A LITTLE GASSY

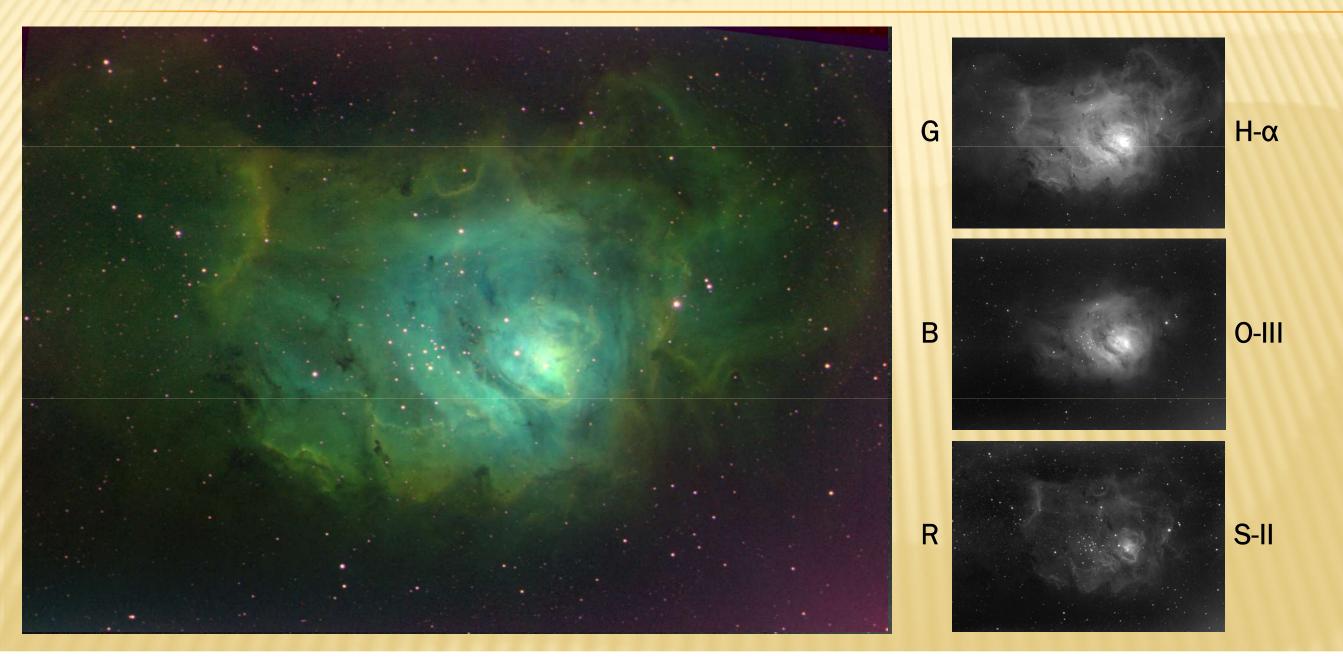
- Experimented with narrowband imaging
 - + Use filters to gather image data from one gas emission at a time: Oxygen-III, Hydrogen-α, Sulfur-II



Free Optolong 3nm Set to Test!

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DS432M + ZS80ED II, 12x50s



SURVIVING BUG-POCOLYPSE

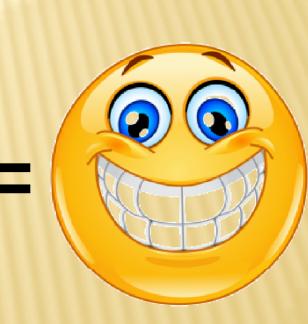




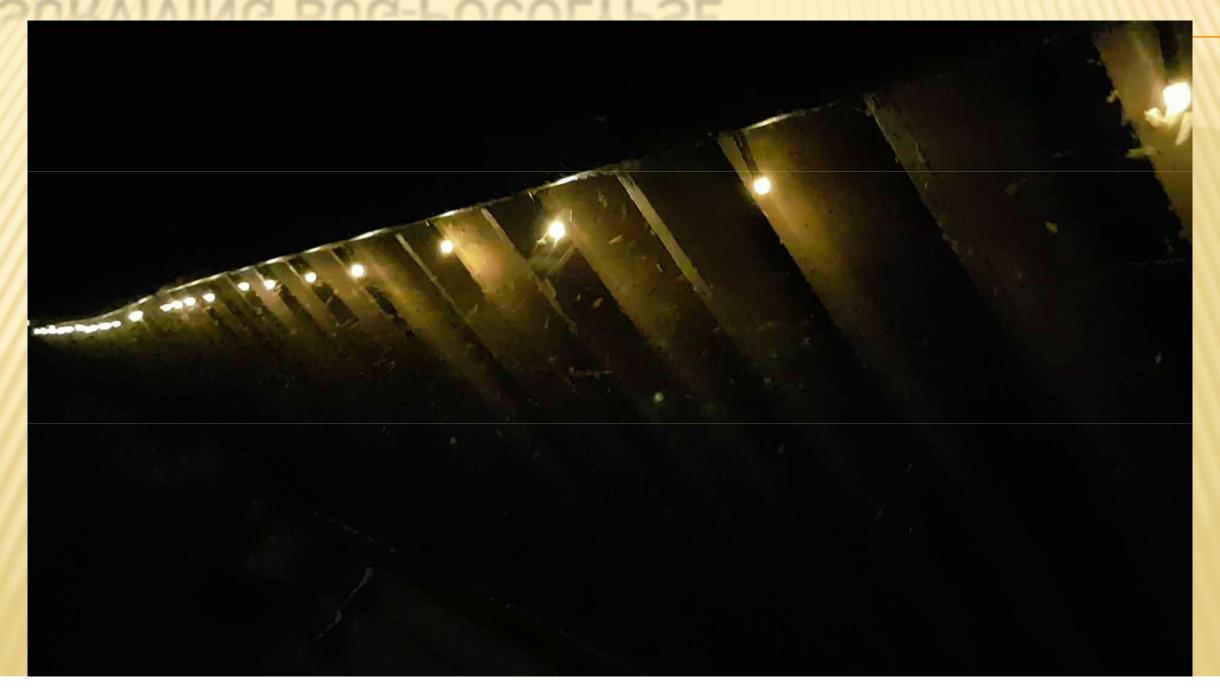




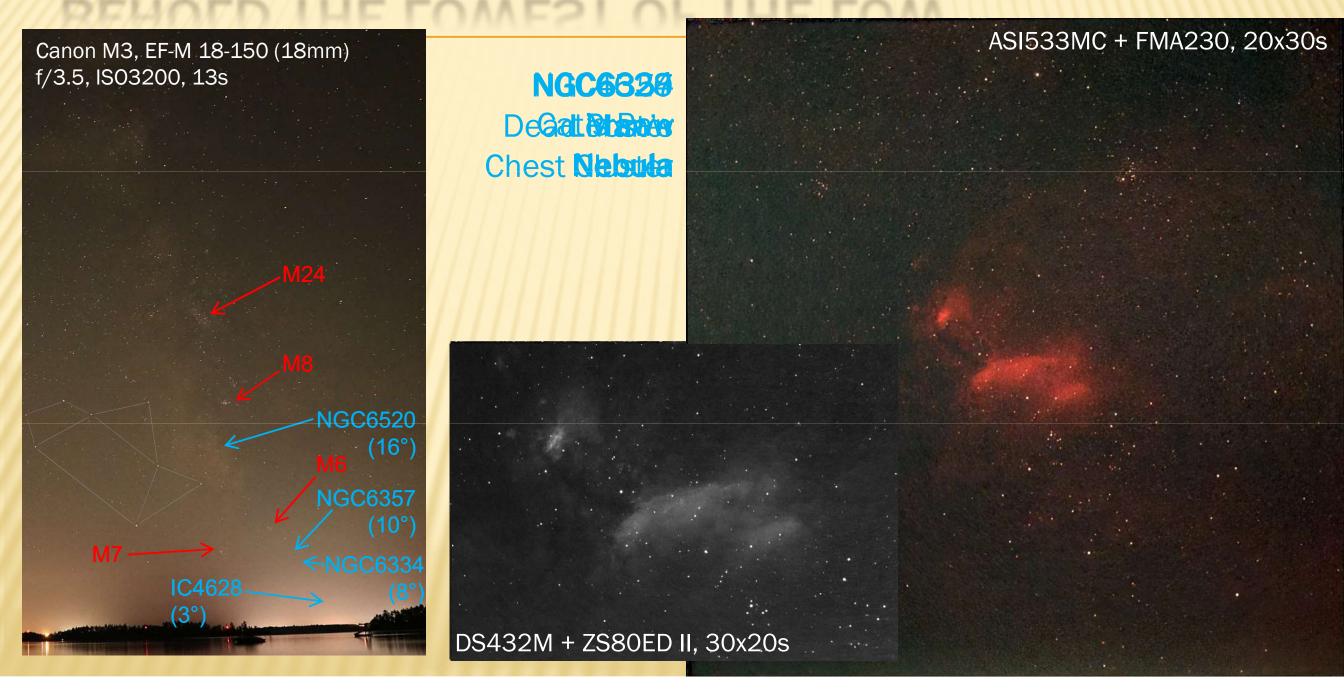




SURVIVING BUG-POCOLYPSE



BEHOLD THE LOWEST OF THE LOW



FALLING IN LOVE ... OR A STRONG "LIKE"

- Been searching for better monochrome solar imaging camera
- 2.9µm + IMX290: fast & small pixels / sensor too small
- 2.4µm + IMX183: smaller pixels & big sensor / artifacts
- 9µm + IMX432: low noise & fast / pixel size way too big
- >4µm + New sensors: big sensor but also big pixels!
- 1.85µm + Older sensor IMX226: bigger sensor & tiny pixels

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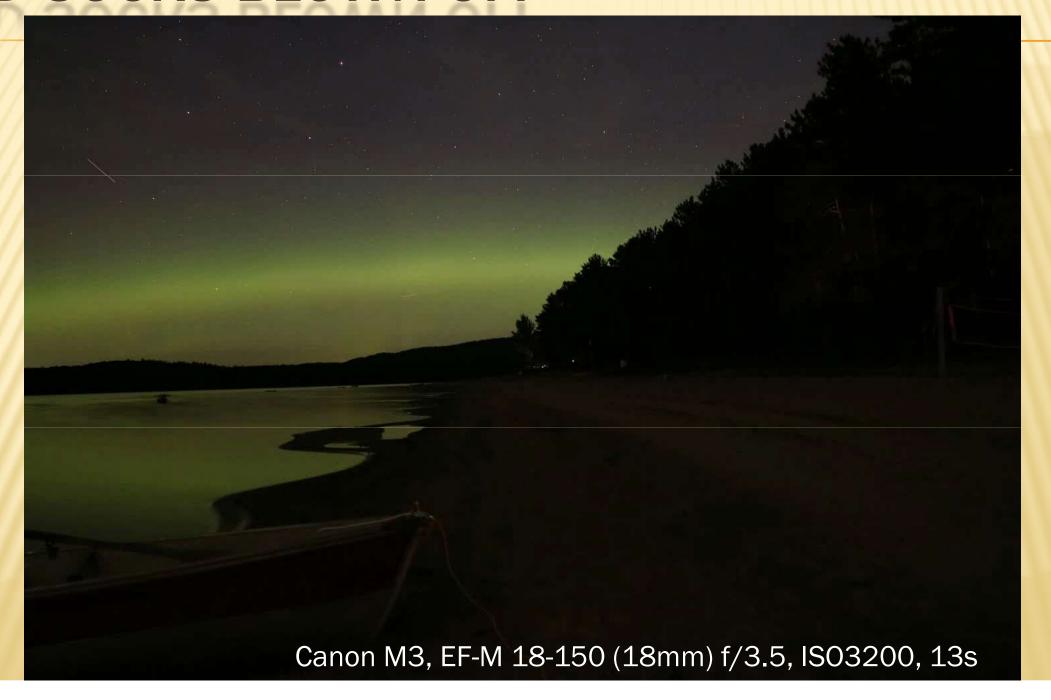
HAD SOCKS BLOWN OFF

Eve of July 22nd, 11:40pm to 12:50am



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Eve of Sept. 4th, 10:50pm to 11:50pm



HAD SOCKS BLOWN OFF

STEVE!



THANKS FOR WATCHING!

