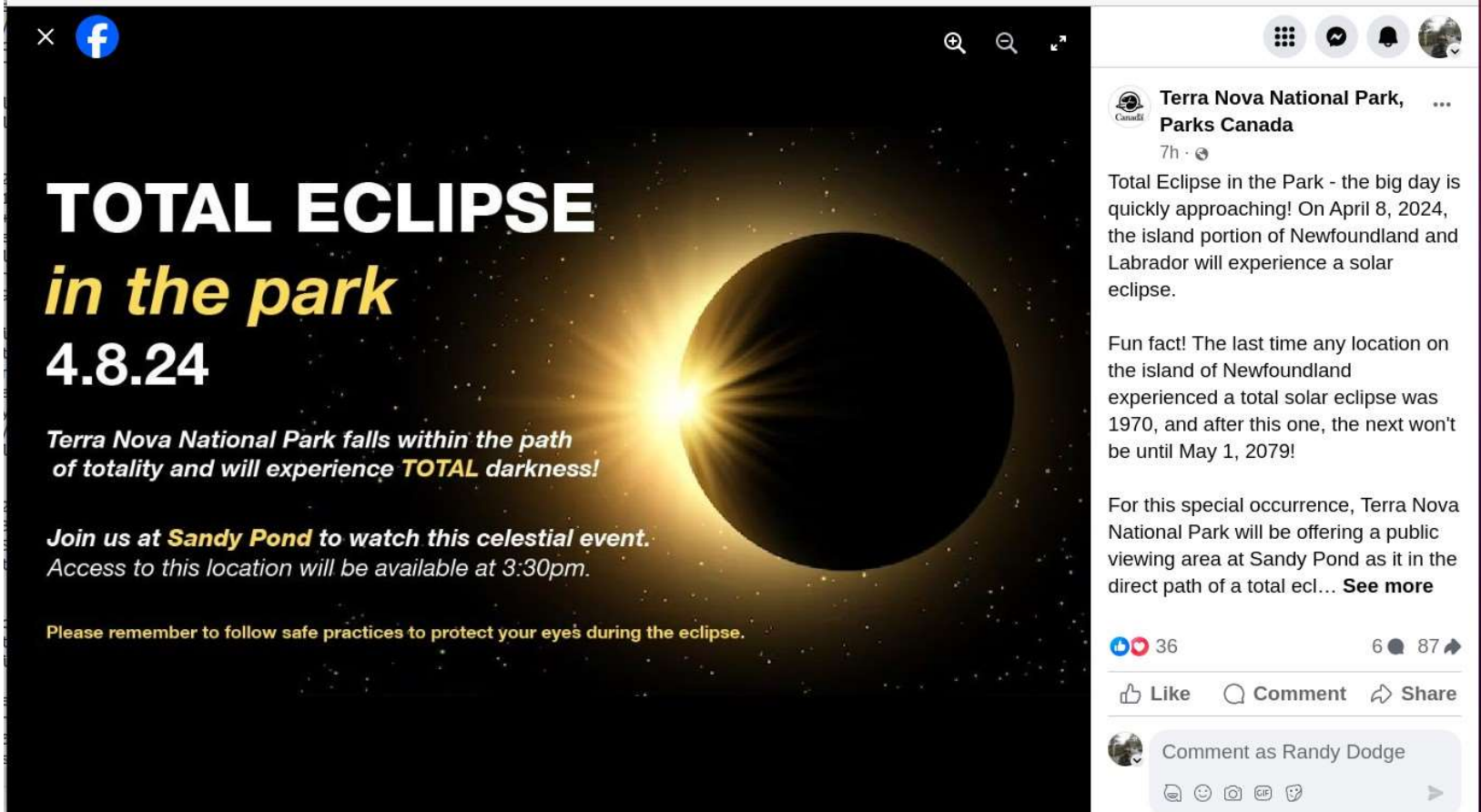




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Sandy Pond – David Saunders



TOTAL ECLIPSE
in the park
4.8.24

*Terra Nova National Park falls within the path of totality and will experience **TOTAL** darkness!*

*Join us at **Sandy Pond** to watch this celestial event. Access to this location will be available at 3:30pm.*

Please remember to follow safe practices to protect your eyes during the eclipse.

Terra Nova National Park, Parks Canada
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Total Eclipse in the Park - the big day is quickly approaching! On April 8, 2024, the island portion of Newfoundland and Labrador will experience a solar eclipse.

Fun fact! The last time any location on the island of Newfoundland experienced a total solar eclipse was 1970, and after this one, the next won't be until May 1, 2079!

For this special occurrence, Terra Nova National Park will be offering a public viewing area at Sandy Pond as it in the direct path of a total ecl... **See more**

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We had an unexpectedly **fairly large turn-out at Sandy Pond.....On the beach alone we counted 245.** There were more in the parking lots and on the trail and on the road leading to Sandy Pond. I would say about 80% of our visitors came out from St. Johns. In Glovertown, about 15kms away people, were getting clear views of the total eclipse. At Sandy Pond we were getting **intermittent views of the eclipse, and a slightly clouded view of totality.** The total eclipse lasted a couple seconds shy of 3 minutes. ...seven gallons of hot chocolate were consumed by visitors lol. A lot of positive comments about the event. Most visitors came equipped with their own glasses, we gave away about 20 pairs. In my welcoming remarks, I promoted our DSP statues, and extended an invitation to our Night Sky Event for August 23-25th. ... **I enjoyed being in Gander Friday night,** wish I could have been in there for the rest of the time. **Hilding and his team of students brought some great energy to the astronomy on tap event,** the games were great. I'm sure the Saturday nights activities went equally well. **Garry gave a great presentation,** his passion really came through. ...



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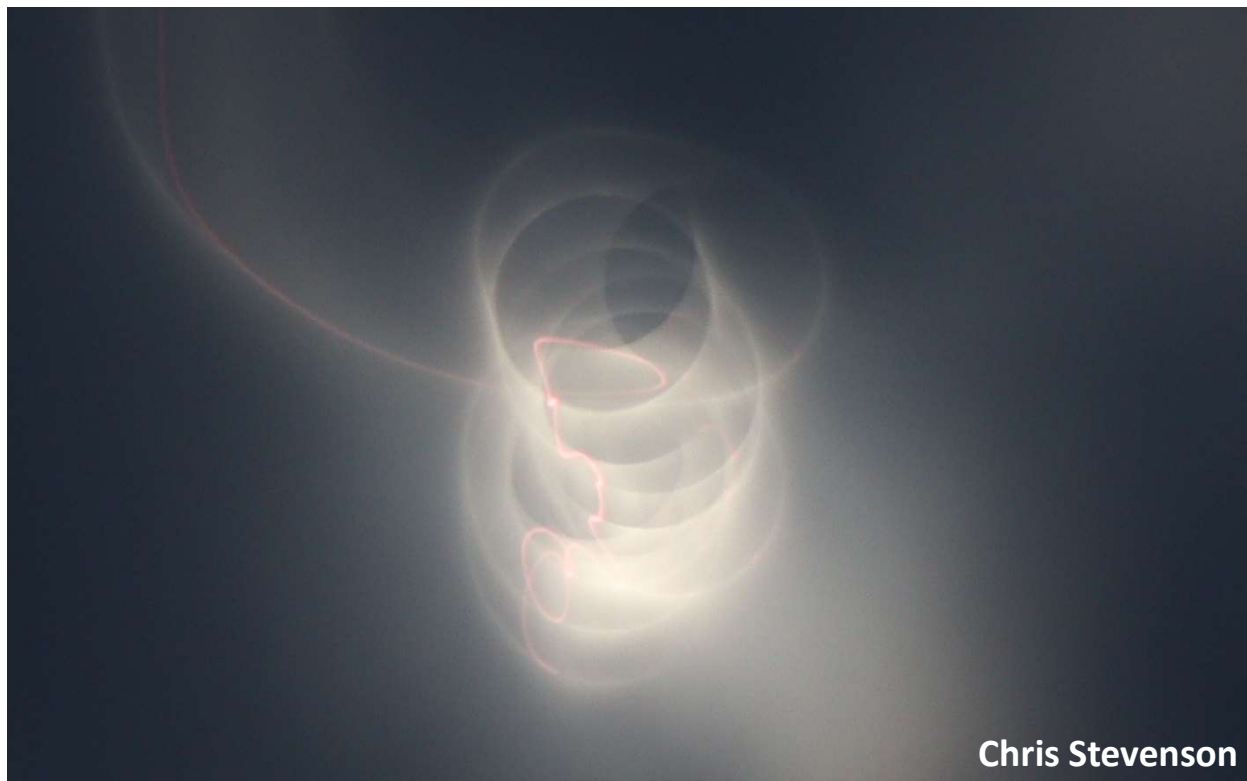




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My wife, daughter and I drove out to meet another family at "the lookout gas stations" in ClarenvilleWe left the windy, **totally overcast ... conditions in St. John's and six-ish cms of new sticky snow on everything...** very non-motivating! But off the Avalon, things improved as apparently they'd had none of this new snow.

Our car was first to the Clode Sound Lookout in the south end of Terra Nova National Park. ... it was chilly. ... **solid cloud cover. By roughly 4:35pm, however, holes started appearing, and there it was! ...**

...The final "bottom falling out of her" descent into night-like darkness within 30 seconds of the start of totality-proper was **startling to all!** Our location was close to the centreline of the track, and we had just shy of a full three minutes of "Night" with a brim of brighter on the horizon around us. The wind had stopped. We'd forgotten about the cold. It was amazing, after all that cloud, when **the sky allowed us one precious 5-6 second-long CLEAR glimpse of totality-proper, maybe 30 seconds into it: incredible!**

By all accounts, **it was amazing.** The plunge into night was impressive-enough, but it was nice of Nature to allow us to see actual totality (briefly) through what was otherwise pretty solid cloud cover. And enough of the partial phases to make it a complete event.



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Clarenville – Greg Baggs

... Accompanied by my father Arthur and an estimated 30 public in about 10 vehicles. Some eclipse glasses were handed out but most people had their own. I introduced myself as a member of the RASC St. John's Center. I answered many questions to the best of my knowledge and gave a countdown for the start and end of totality. **The duration of the eclipse was for the most part clouded out.** Prior to first contact some viewing of the full sun with eclipse glasses was done by the public. **Once the eclipse started, the only observation was of a very thin crescent sun through a momentary gap in clouds by several people.** This occurred about 5 mins before totality was to begin. It was gone before eclipse glasses could be put on. **A rapid darkness was noted** almost exactly as per the predicted times. No one was more astounded than I was that it actually happened. Overall it was **a great experience even though clouds prevented observations of the sun's corona or other features.** It was also great training should I ever attempt to travel to see a total eclipse in future.