

Comet Neowison - 1961e

- June 27, 1962 - FIRST SIGHTING - from Georgian Bay near Pointe au Baril, Ont. a very clear night. The comet was a hazy patch in 7x50 Binoculars.
- June 30, 1962 - Same as June 27.
- July 10, 1962 - From St. Catharines, Ont. at 01:15 EST. using 8" f8 reflector at 63x & 125x. This was my first positive identification. The comet seemed very nebulous.
- July 25, 1962 - From St. Catharines, Ont. at 00:05 EST. - 8" f8 at 63x. Comet was very faint - not a very clear night.
- July 27, 1962 - From St. Catharines, Ont. at 24:00 EST. 8" f8 at 63x. This was a very clear night and the comet's tail was visible. It was very broad & faint and could be traced for $\frac{1}{4}^{\circ}$ in length.
- July 31, 1962 From St. Catharines, Ont. at 24:00 EST. 8" f8 at 63x. Not quite as good a night as July 27. The comet was easily seen in the 30mm finder.
- August 2, 1962 From St. Catharines, Ont. at 23:45 EST. - 8" f8 at 63x. Comet's tail was easily seen - about $\frac{1}{4}^{\circ}$ in length and very broad. Estimated brightness at 7^m.75 - a bit fainter than predicted.
- August 5, 1962 From Pointe au Baril, Ont. at 22:00 EST. - in 7x50 Binoculars. Near Jupiter.
- August 7, 1962 From St. Catharines, Ont. at 22:45 EST. using 7x50 Binoculars - difficult because of Jupiter's glare.
- August 17, 1962 From St. Catharines, Ont. at 23:30 EST. using 8" f8 at 69x. Haze & thin cloud made it difficult. Not visible in 7x50's.
- August 18, 1962 From St. Catharines, Ont. at 22:30 using 4" f5 reflector at 20x. Difficult through ground haze. Not visible in 7x50's.

The comet has been pretty well "on course" as predicted in announcement #4 of June 18, 1962.