

# THE VSS DATABASE

ONLINE SUBMISSION OF OBSERVATIONS

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# A Few Statistics

- Online submission went live on 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2014
- As of 15<sup>th</sup> June
  - 17 observers have upload 93,297 observations from 738 files
  - 294 manually entered observations

# Observer Upload Totals (15<sup>th</sup> June)

- Uploaded over 1,000 observations
  - Tony Markham: 11,720
  - John Rock: 8,221
  - Roger Pickard: 8,059
  - Ian Miller: 6,858
  - David Boyd: 5,671
  - Gary Poyner: 3,417
  - Graham Darlington: 1,702
- Bob Dryden (BAAVSS Secretary)
  - 46,275 observations (most for other observers)

# BAAVSS Online Database

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## Welcome to the BAAVSS online database!

This database contains the observations of the British Astronomical Association Variable Star Section with observations dating back to 1862. Observations may be reviewed and downloaded by using the buttons below. Please acknowledge the BAAVSS in any publications where this data is used by including the following note (or similar):-  
*"The BAAVSS database is acknowledged as the (part) source of data on which this article was based."*  
The database contains all observations received to date, including those received in 2014.

### Review Data

<a href="#">Review Data for a Star</a>	<a href="#">Standing Data and Summaries (Stars / Observers / Sequences)</a>
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### Observer Area

Uploading Observations	Live Observations
<a href="#">Upload Observations</a>	<a href="#">Manually Enter Observations</a>
<a href="#">Review and Commit Unloaded Observations</a>	<a href="#">Edit Live Observations One at a Time</a>
<a href="#">Edit Uncommitted Observations</a>	<a href="#">Bulk Edit Live Observations</a>

### Maintenance

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### General

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# Database Totals – 20<sup>th</sup> June 2014

- 2,491,085 observations in the database
  - Visual: 1,873,324
  - CCD: 612,121
  - DSLR: 3,928
  - Photographic: 1,712

# Future Developments

- Recalculation of magnitudes to latest sequence – 2<sup>nd</sup> half 2014 or early 2015
- Add capability to produce phase plots of data
- BAAVSS Observations to be incorporated into the AAVSO International Database - Underway

# Further Information

- Guide to online submission of observations

[http://www.britastro.org/vss/Uploading Observations to the BAA VSS DB 140322.pdf](http://www.britastro.org/vss/Uploading%20Observations%20to%20the%20BAA%20VSS%20DB%20140322.pdf)

- Guide to loading and editing observations

[http://britastro.org/vssdb/help/BAAVSS WebObservation LoadingAndEditing\\_UserGuide.htm](http://britastro.org/vssdb/help/BAAVSS_WebObservation>LoadingAndEditing_UserGuide.htm)

- BAAVSS Online Database

<http://britastro.org/vssdb/>

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