

OBSERVATION RECORD

Date: 11/28/02
Time Started: 7:45 PM CST
Time Finished: 8:12 PM CST
Transparency: 4.0
Seeing: 2.0

Telescope: 12.5" Dob
Eyepiece: 26mm plössl
Filter: —
Magnification: 60x

OBJECT
Common Name: Sculptor or Silver Coin Galaxy
C#: 65
NGC #: 253

Type: Gal
Magnitude: 7.2
Size: 25.0' x 7.0'

Coordinates: 00h 47m 33.1s -25° 17' 18"

Special Features: Spiral Galaxy type
Scp or SB.
Dominant member of
the Sculptor Group.

Similar to M31 in
mass.

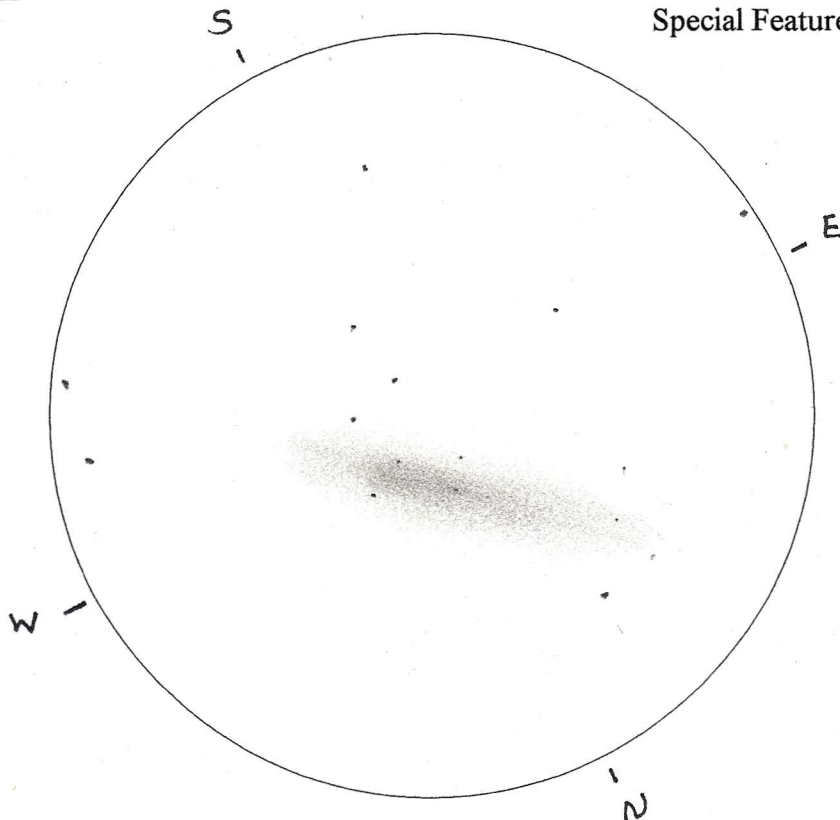
Biggest & brightest
galaxy in the
Southern
Hemisphere.

Dist: ~10.5 million
light years

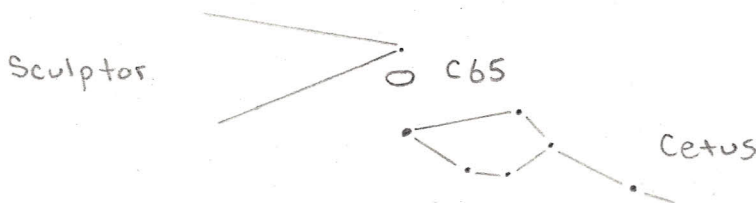
Observing the
Caldwell objects
-David Rottedge

Discovered by
Caroline Herschel
in 1783.

-Burham



Locating
Sketch:



Description and Field Notes: Very large and fairly bright. Very
elongated in the NE/SW direction. Becoming
gradually brighter toward the center, Nucleus
not starlike but two or three dim stars
visible in and around the core.