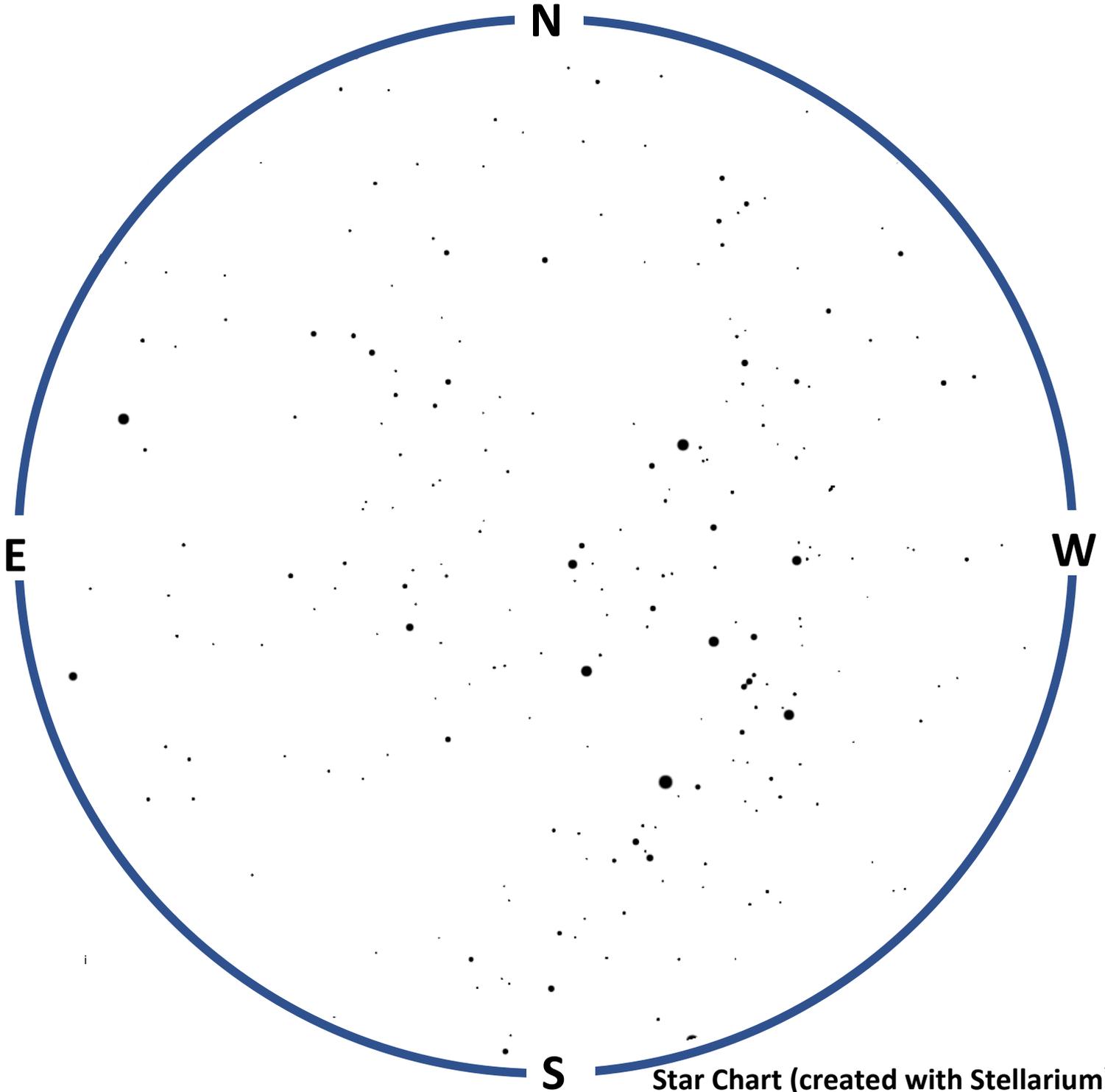


AK Name:

Constellation Name:

Constellation Description/Story:



Star Chart (created with Stellarium)
View from Columbia, SC on April 1,
2021

Use the star chart to create your own constellation, just as people have done throughout all human history! Constellations and asterisms are star patterns made by connecting stars together in a connect-the-dots fashion to form a picture in the sky.

Instructions:

1. Connect at least 2 but no more than 10 stars in the above star chart to create a picture of anything you want. It can be an animal, a person, or an object. Watch one of the virtual sky tours on the museum's Facebook page and YouTube channel for inspiration!
2. Give your constellation a name.
3. Describe what your constellation is and write a short (few sentences) story about it. Make sure your text is legible or typed.
4. How to create your constellation. There are a couple of ways you can do this:
 - a. You can print out the star chart to draw lines connecting the stars in your constellation.
 - b. You can use a program like Paint to digitally draw lines on the star chart.
5. How to Submit:
 - a. Take a picture of your work or scan the document, save the image, and email it back to us with your constellation name and story. Use the Subject Line: "AstroKids Constellation Challenge"

Museum staff will select a handful to be featured in the AstroKids Space Party virtual sky tour using the following categories:

Categories:

1. Most creative
2. Most original
3. Funniest

A sample entry is included below.

EXAMPLE

Constellation Name: Ice Cream Cone

Constellation Description/Story: This constellation is near Orion the Hunter because sometimes after a long night of running across the sky, he likes to take a break and treat himself to an ice cream cone.

